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EDUCATION

University of Chicago, *M.A. candidate, Social Neuroscience* s.ai/essays/thesis.pdf 2011 (medical leave)

Thesis, completed (A): Motor imitation & imagery correlation with emotion recognition accuracy & confidence

University of California, Berkeley, *B.A. Cognitive Science* 2006

Emphases in Computer Modeling, Cognitive Neuroscience, & Linguistics

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Hon. Alex Kozinski, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, *Judicial Extern* 2017

Drafted bench memos & *en banc* vote memos; did various academic & legal research. Worked (remotely) on cases involving administrative law, bankruptcy, and tort. Forthcoming law review article with clerk Conor Clarke.

Fiat Fiendum, *Founder* 2017–present

501(c)(3) for current civil rights advocacy and governmental transparency work; future public interest litigation.

Make Your Laws, *Founder* makeyourlaws.org 2012–present

527 hybrid Super PAC, 501(c)(4), & 501(c)(3) to promote liquid democracy. Invited speaker at Council of Europe, European Parliament, and conferences worldwide. Defeated unsafe Federal Election Commission advisory opinion request (AOR) re Bitcoin campaign finance contributions, and wrote safe alternative (approved unanimously). Wrote AOR to permit foreign national volunteers to contribute to open source code (approved). Wrote petition for rulemaking and AOR re contribution laundering, *pending.*

Language Creation Society, *Founder* conlang.org 2006–present

501(c)(3) for language creators (conlangers). President, 2006–2011; Director, 2006-present. Initiated first ever conference for conlangers, recently in 7th year. Directed *amicus* successfully opposing Klingon language copyright in *Paramount v. Axanar.* Negotiated contract for Dothraki in *Game of Thrones.* Interviewed experts for LCS Podcast.

SaiCorp, *Founder* 2005–2017

Assisted clients with full stack Ruby on Rails coding, application/game design, refactoring, security auditing, statistical analysis, user interface/experience design, multinational customer management systems, etc.

Lookout, *Senior Engineer* lookout.com 2013

Created secure methods for authenticating and remotely wiping potentially compromised mobile devices, SMS (GSM-7) compatible message compression. Made existing code faster and simpler.

Zynga, *Producer, Social Games* zynga.com 2008

In charge of social games silo with 6 online games, ~500k total unique daily active users, ~30 million installs, in Ruby on Rails. Reported to CTO. Administered ~18 Fedora 8 servers. Created statistical analysis tools for complex performance issues (economic, social, ludic, etc.) with millions of data points per day.

LEGAL ADVOCACY   2014–present

Sai v. DHS et al., 149 F. Supp. 3d 99 (D. D.C. 2015): APA. *Holdings:* TSA unlawfully withheld & unreasonably delayed responses to Rehabilitation Act complaints. Procedural rights for a timely response under DHS Rehabilitation Act regulations may be privately enforced under 5 USC 706, even if independent substantive relief (e.g. *Bivens*) is available. TSA enjoined to respond. Declared prevailing party & costs awarded. *Pro se.*   s.ai/tsa/legal/rehab_act

Sai v. TSA, No. 1:14-cv-403 (D. D.C.): FOIA / Privacy Act. >5,900 pages released, including previously secret TSA policies, procedures, and internal validation studies. Ongoing. *Pro se.*   s.ai/foia & s.ai/tsa/legal/foia

Sai v. Pekoske, No. 15-2356 (1st Cir.): APA & 49 USC 46110(a), 4105(b). Challenging all TSA policies & procedures (purported § 46110 "orders") as violation of 1st & 4th Amendments, APA, & Rehabilitation Act. Specifically supported by Privacy Coalition (ACLU, CAIR, EFF, EPIC, etc.) in letter to Congress. Ongoing. *Pro se.*   s.ai/tsa/legal/46110

Sai v. USPS, 135 S. Ct. 1915 (2015): *Cert.* re *in forma pauperis* affidavit privacy. Amici: MD. Volunteer Lawyers Serv., Western Center on Law & Pov., Legal Aid Assoc. of CA. ALJ Brief of the Week. BIO requested. *Cert* denied. Re-raised, together with question of appealability of denials of counsel, as collateral appeals in *Sai v. TSA et al.*, No. 15-2526 (1st Cir.), *cert.* denied, No. 16-1065 (2017) & *Sai v. TSA* No. 16-5004 (D.C. Cir.), *cert.* denied, No. 16-287 (2016). SCOTUSblog Petition of the Day (twice). *Pro bono* counsel, W&M SCOTUS/appellate clinic.   s.ai/ifp & s.ai/tsa/legal/ifp

Judicial Conference proposals 15-CV-EE, 15-AP-E: proposed changes to federal rules of procedure for fairness to *pro se* and IFP litigants. Testified at Nov. 2016 FRCP hearing in D.C. to oppose rule change creating presumption against CM/ECF access for *pro se* litigants. Proposal to remove SSN question from appellate IFP affidavit (FRAP Form 4) approved by rules committee, and adopted by the Supreme Court in April 26, 2018 FRAP amendment order.

PRESENTATIONS (partial)   s.ai/presentations

Blind navigation crash course *(workshop)*

Conlanging and US intellectual property law

Make Your Laws: practical liquid democracy

CSS History Hack history

Cognitive psychology for hackers

TSA screenings & your rights

Meditation for hackers *(workshop)*

Conlanging 101: I make languages (and you can too)
conference paper: conlang.org/26c3.pdf

Introduction to anti-telemarketer law

Non-linear fully 2-dimensional writing systems

AFFILIATIONS

ACLU Surveillance Coalition

EPIC Privacy Coalition

LANGUAGES

conversational
English (native), Russian (native), American Sign Language, French, Spanish

studied
Japanese, Mandarin, Arabic

computer
Ruby, Rails, MySQL, HTML, JavaScript, CSS, etc.

HOBBIES

engineered language creation
e.g. non-linear written language: s.ai/nlws

computer security research
e.g. browser history deanonymization, contributing to W3C fix; awarded 2x by Google's Vulnerability Rewards Program

MIT Mystery Hunt (cowrote 5 puzzles, 2011)

17 years classical piano, 5 years harpsichord

ASL music interpretation

aikido