

Opioid Industry Documents Archive National Advisory Committee



Sandy Alexander is an attorney who represented Massachusetts in its investigation and lawsuit against the Sackler family. As an Assistant Attorney General under Massachusetts AG Maura Healey, he studied the example of public archives from tobacco litigation and worked with his colleagues to create public archives in cases against Purdue Pharma and the Sacklers, Insys, Mallinckrodt, Teva and Allergan. He worked closely with families hurt by the crisis in Massachusetts and across the nation. Alexander is now General Counsel of KoBold Metals, a clean-tech company discovering the minerals needed to electrify the economy and stop climate change.



Menzi Behrnd-Klodt has extensive archival experience in organizational and corporate archives and as an attorney in intellectual property, contracts, and licensing. As an adjunct instructor at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee School of Information Studies, she teaches on legal issues for archivists and librarians, and she provides professional development instruction for University of Wisconsin-Madison's iSchool. She is a Certified Archivist with archival experience at Wisconsin Historical Society, Circus World Museum, CUNA Mutual Group, and American Girl, and as an archival consultant to museums, cultural centers, schools, churches, and government agencies. She is VP/ General Counsel for Xyte, Inc., a human behavior research firm, and counsel for American Girl Brands, LLC, a subsidiary of Mattel, Inc. She is the author of *Navigating Legal Issues in Archives* (Society of American Archivists, 2008), co-editor of *Privacy and Confidentiality Perspectives: Archivists and Archival Records* (Society of American Archivists, 2005) and *Rights in the Digital Era* (Society of American Archivists, 2015), and a chapter on legal issues in business archives (accepted for publication by Society of American Archivists, 2020).



Edward Bisch is an activist who has dedicated his efforts toward bringing Purdue Pharma and the Sackler family to justice for their role in the opioid crisis. He is one of the founding leaders of Relatives Against Purdue Pharma (RAPP). After losing his 18-year-old son to an OxyContin related overdose in 2001, he started advocating for accountability and action against Purdue Pharma and the Sackler family. In 2003, Mr. Bisch appeared on MTV series True Life episode "I'm Hooked on OxyContin," one of the first shows to warn kids about the dangers of opioids. In 2020, he was featured on the MSNBC special, *The Forgotten Epidemic*, now available on the Peacock Network. In 2021, he led a DC rally outside the DOJ headquarters calling for a review of the Purdue Pharma evidence.



Charlotte Bismuth is an author and former prosecutor. From 2008 until 2015, she was an assistant district attorney in the New York County District Attorney's Office, first in the Appeals Unit, and from 2010 in the Office of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor (OSNP), which prosecutes felony narcotics crimes within the City's five boroughs. She is the author of *Bad Medicine: Catching New York's Deadliest Pill Pusher* (Atria/One Signal Publishers, 2021), which details her team's fight to expose the corruption and greed of a pain management doctor in Queens, New York. A percentage of the author's proceeds from the book are donated to the FedUp! Coalition. Ms. Bismuth is a member of FedUp!'s Advocacy Committee and works with the families of overdose victims to educate the public about the Purdue Pharma bankruptcy. In 2021, Ms. Bismuth co-authored an article with the Prosecutors' Center for Excellence entitled "Seeking Justice and Solutions: A Prosecutor's Guide to Opioid Overdose Investigations."



Anthony Ryan Hatch is a sociologist and Professor in Science in Society Program at Wesleyan University. His research interests include the social aspects of metabolism, the impact of medical technologies on inequalities in health, and social theories of power, culture, and inequality. He is the author of two books: *Blood Sugar: Racial Pharmacology and Food Justice in Black America* (Minnesota, 2016) which analyzes how biomedical scientists, government researchers, and drug companies use concepts of race and ethnicity to study and treat metabolic syndrome and *Silent Cells: The Secret Drugging of Captive America* (Minnesota, 2019) which examines how custodial institutions like prisons, nursing homes, and the U.S. military use psychotropic drugs to manage captive populations in the United States. He is the founding co-Director of Black Box Labs at Wesleyan, an experimental undergraduate research lab focused on qualitative and interpretive methods, translating technoscience, and fostering justice. He was the 2021-2022 Robin E. Williams Distinguished Lecturer in the Eastern Sociological Society and in spring 2023 served as the William Allan Neilson Professor at Smith College.



David Herzberg is a Professor of History at the University at Buffalo (SUNY), a historian of drugs whose research focuses on the legal kind—psychoactive pharmaceuticals. He explores the nature and trajectory of drug commerce, drug use, and drug policy in American racial capitalism. His work has appeared in numerous scholarly and medical journals, in popular media, and in three books: *Whiteout: How Racial Capitalism Changed the Color of Opioids in America* (University of California Press, 2023), *White Market Drugs: Big Pharma and the Hidden History of Addiction in America* (University of Chicago Press, 2020) and *Happy Pills in America: From Miltown to Prozac* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2009). He is also co-editor of *Social History of Alcohol and Drugs: An Interdisciplinary Journal*, the journal of the Alcohol and Drug History Society.



W. Mary Langley is a Professor of Community Health & Preventive Medicine at the Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM). She is the current Director of MSM's Health Promotion Research Center, which focuses on health promotion, prevention, education, and youth development in African-American populations. She has served on several committees at Morehouse including the Department of CH/PM Executive, MD Admissions, MSMS Curriculum, MSM Research Development, Master of Public Health Program Summer Fellows, and Master of Public Health Program Practicum. Her research interests include social determinants of health, breast cancer prevention, and adolescent at-risk behaviors. In 2019, she was a panelist on a National Network to Eliminate Disparities in Behavioral Health (NNED) Virtual Roundtable "Continuing the Dialogue: Strategies to Address the Opioid Epidemic in Black and Hispanic/Latinx Communities," and on a SAMHSA Webinar "Strategies to Address Opioid Misuse and Addiction in African American/Black and Hispanics/Latino Populations." She is a co-author of *The Morehouse Model: How One School of Medicine Revolutionized Community Engagement and Health Equity* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2020).



Anna Lembke is Professor of Psychiatry at Stanford University School of Medicine and Chief of the Stanford Addiction Medicine Dual Diagnosis Clinic. A clinician scholar, she has published more than a hundred peer-reviewed papers, book chapters, and commentaries. She sits on the board of several state and national addiction-focused organizations, has testified before various committees in the United States House of Representatives and Senate, keeps an active speaking calendar, and maintains a thriving clinical practice. In 2016, she published *Drug Dealer, MD – How Doctors Were Duped, Patients Got Hooked, and Why It's So Hard to Stop* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2016), which was highlighted in the *New York Times* as one of the top five books to read to understand the opioid epidemic. Dr. Lembke recently appeared on the Netflix documentary *The Social Dilemma*, an unvarnished look at the impact of social media on our lives. Her new book, *Dopamine Nation: Finding Balance in the Age of Indulgence* (Dutton/Penguin Random House, August 2021), explores how to moderate compulsive overconsumption in a world where feeling good is the highest good.



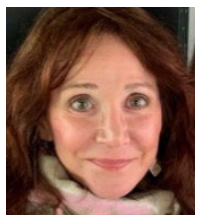
Antoine Lentacker is an Assistant Professor of History at the University of California, Riverside. His research interests include the history of drugs and the pharmaceutical industry in Europe and the U.S. His work has appeared in *Social Studies of Science*, *The Journal of Modern History*, and *Representations*, among others. His involvement in efforts to advocate for the public disclosure of the opioid litigation documents goes back to the summer of 2019, when he set out to draft an amicus brief that called for the inclusion of broad transparency provisions in any settlement of the ongoing opioid lawsuits. A reflection piece on that effort appeared in the Spring 2021 issue of *Social History of Alcohol and Drugs* under the title “The Opioid Documents: A Report on the Politics of the Public Record.”



Christine Minhee is the founder of OpioidSettlementTracker.com. She tracks opioid settlements reached by U.S. state and local governments, states’ opioid settlement decision-making processes, and states’ opioid settlement expenditure reports to discover whether funds from the opioid litigation will indeed be spent to bolster the public health response to drug use. Christine launched her website in 2019 after graduating from the University of Washington School of Law, where she co-authored “The Cure for America’s Opioid Crisis? End the War on Drugs” (*Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy*). She has since held visiting scholar appointments at UW Law and Yale Law School and has been featured by the *Associated Press*, *CBS News*, *The New York Times*, *Fast Company*, *NPR*, *Reuters*, and *The Washington Post*. Prior to the law, Christine was a technical writer and marketing strategist for companies like Google, Gawker, and Saks Fifth Avenue.



Michelle Muffett-Lipinski is a Recovery Advocate and the Founder/Principal of the Northshore Recovery High School located in Beverly, Massachusetts. She has served as a School Board Member and is currently City Councilor in Dover, NH. She has over 25 years of experience as a Principal/Director in alternative school settings. She speaks across the country about the philosophy and mission of creating adolescent substance use and mental health recovery support in academic settings. She is also a strong advocate for combining a supportive therapeutic milieu with rigorous academic standards for students with significant risk factors. Michelle started the icanhelp program, operated through her non-profit, Potential Connections, which trains engaged community members to be resources for adolescents struggling with substance abuse and mental health disorders. Most recently, she started the PASS program with many of her local school districts, Northshore YMCA and behavioral health providers. This program offers a non-punitive, restorative approach to student discipline for 10 districts on Boston’s North Shore.



Cynthia Munger is an activist who has devoted the past decade to tackling the issues of substance use disease with a focus on Purdue Pharma and its owners, members of the Sackler family. Munger, whose son is in recovery from opioids after being prescribed OxyContin more than a decade ago, is pushing for Purdue owners and company officials to be charged with crimes for their role in the opioid crisis. Ms. Munger is a listed officer in the Opioid Spoon Project non-profit, one of the five members of the Purdue Bankruptcy Ad Hoc Committee on Accountability, an active member of Friends of Safehouse, Bankruptcy Legislation Editing Committee, POPN, Participating Member of Interim House Mentor Program, and an active supporter of the Sackler Act. In 2019, she wrote and presented to the Boston Opioid Spoon Conference a paper titled “The Web of Conflict.” In June 2021, Ms. Munger was interviewed for *The Addiction Podcast*, *Point of No Return*. She was featured on *Last Week Tonight with John Oliver* on the episode “Opioids III: The Sacklers.”



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Thomas Padilla is an internationally recognized expert in responsible use of technology to advance research, education, and minoritized community knowledge preservation and access. Thomas has secured millions of dollars in funding from private and government sources to advance diverse organizational initiatives, is a frequently sought keynote speaker (e.g., National Information Standards Organization, Digital Research Infrastructure for the Arts and Humanities, United Nations Economic Commission on Latin America and the Caribbean) and has held positions at a broad range of organizations such as the Internet Archive, OCLC Research, and the Library of Congress.

Thomas served as Principle Investigator of Collections as *Data: Part to Whole and Always Already Computational: Collections as Data* and authored the responsible AI research agenda, *Responsible Operations: Data Science, Machine Learning, and AI in Libraries*.



David Rosner is the Ronald H. Lauterstein Professor of Sociomedical Sciences and Co-Director of the Center for the History and Ethics of Public Health at Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health. He focuses on research at the intersection of public health and social history, and the politics of occupational disease and industrial pollution. He has been actively involved in lawsuits on behalf of cities, states, and communities around the nation who are trying to hold the lead, asbestos, and chemical industries accountable for past acts that have resulted in tremendous damage to America's children. In 2010, he was elected to the National Academy of Sciences' National Academy of Medicine. In addition to numerous grants, he has been a Guggenheim Fellow, a recipient of a Robert Wood Johnson Investigator Award, a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellow, and a Josiah Macy Fellow. He is author of eleven books on occupational disease, epidemics, and public health, including *Lead Wars: The Politics of Science and the Fate of America's Children* (University of California Press/Milbank Fund, 2013). His forthcoming work is *Building the Worlds that Kill Us: the Un-Natural History of Disease*. His work is the main source for the industrial pollution website toxicdocs.org.



Robert Sanderson is the Senior Director for Cultural Heritage Metadata at Yale University, where he works to ensure the availability of the organization's content in a usable way via open standards such as Linked Open Data and International Image Interoperability Framework (IIIF). Previous experiences include Semantic Architect for the J. Paul Getty Trust, information standards advocate at Stanford University Libraries, information scientist at Los Alamos National Laboratory, and Lecturer in Computer Science at the University of Liverpool. He is a leader in international efforts in the information science world, including IIIF, semantic standards in the W3C, and cultural heritage specific models. His articles on these topics include "Open Annotations on Multimedia Web Resources" (*Multimedia Tools and Applications*, 2014, 70(2): 847–867); "Lessons Learned in Building Linked Data for the American Art Collaborative" (*International Semantic Web Conference 2017, Procs*: 263-279); and "Web Annotation Data Model" (*W3C Technical Recommendation*, 2017 <http://w3.org/TR/annotation-model/>).



Melina Sherman PhD, is a critical health communication scholar and Visiting Assistant Professor at Fairfield University. Dr. Sherman recently authored a book about the cultural and institutional dimensions of the opioid crisis, titled *How We Hurt: The Politics of Pain in the Opioid Epidemic* (Oxford University Press, 2024). She has also published academic articles pertaining to the opioid crisis in scholarly journals and online magazines.



Daniel van Strien is the Machine Learning Librarian at Hugging Face, a startup focused on democratizing good machine learning. Daniel's work at Hugging Face is focused on developing a healthier machine learning ecosystem with a particular focus on data and metadata. Previously, Daniel worked at the British Library on "Living with Machines", the UK's largest-ever Digital Humanities project, which aimed to use machine learning and data science to understand digitized collections from the British Library and other institutions "at scale". Daniel led BigLAM, an effort focused on increasing the availability of datasets from libraries, archives and museums for training and evaluating machine learning models, as part of the BigScience project, a one-year research workshop focused on responsibly developing a multilingual Large Language Model, leading to the BLOOM model. Daniel's career has focused on how new computational methods can be effectively used within libraries and archives; a significant part of this work has involved developing tutorials and other teaching materials to make machine learning more accessible to librarians, archivists and humanities researchers. Daniel currently serves on the AI4LAM advisory council and has previously co-chaired the Machines Reading Maps advisory board and the Computer Vision for Digital Heritage Special Interest Group at the Alan Turing Institute.



Keith Wailoo is the Henry Putnam University Professor of History and Public Affairs at Princeton University, where he teaches in the Department of History and the School of Public and International Affairs. He is former Chair of the Department of History, the former Vice Dean of the School of Public and International Affairs, and Past President (2020-2022) of the American Association for the History of Medicine. He is an award-winning author whose writings have advanced historical and public understanding on a range of topics: racial disparities in health care, the cultural politics of pain and opioids, how pandemics change societies, and the FDA's decision to ban menthol cigarettes. In 2021, he received the Dan David Prize for his "influential body of historical scholarship focused on race, science, and health equity; on the social implications of medical innovation; and on the politics of disease" and was also elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. His recent books include *Pushing Cool: Big Tobacco, Racial Marketing, and the Untold Story of the Menthol Cigarette* (University of Chicago Press, 2021) and *Pain: A Political History* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2015).
