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Professor Green began his academic career as a philosopher, working primarily in Kant and nineteenth-century German philosophy. He received his Ph.D. in philosophy from Yale in 1990. After visiting appointments at Wesleyan (1989), Yale (1989), and the University of Alabama in Huntsville (1990-91), he took a tenure-track position as assistant professor of philosophy at Tufts University (1991-93).

In 1993, he left Tufts to go to Yale Law School, where he was a senior editor on the *Yale Law Journal*, an Elliott Goldstein Scholar, and an Olin Fellow in Law, Economics, and Public Policy. After law school, he clerked for Richard A. Posner of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit in Chicago, and worked for a year in New York as a litigator at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton and Garrison. From 1998 to 2005, he was an assistant and then associate professor of law at George Mason University in Arlington, Virginia. Currently, he is a professor of law at the College of William & Mary.

Professor Green's current research interests can be divided into four main areas: (1) The Erie doctrine and its intersection with horizontal choice of law; (2) Analytical philosophy of law, especially the writings of Hans Kelsen; (3) Locke and the examination of constitutional law in the light of Lockean natural rights theory; and (4) Problems that he began working on as a philosopher, especially Nietzsche and his relationship to late nineteenth-century Neo-Kantianism.

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