

## **AABANY 2025 Fall Conference CLE**

### **Breaking the (Block)chain: Women at the Forefront of Crypto Law & Regulation**

New York Law School

Saturday, September 27th, 2025

4:15 AM – 5:45 PM

#### **Speakers**

Jiaying Jiang, Associate Professor of Law, University of Florida Levin College of Law

Jolie Yang, Assistant General Counsel, Uniswap Labs

Monica Jang, Of Counsel, Paul Hastings

Sarah Chen, Partner, Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP

#### **Moderator**

Hao Wang, JD Student, Columbia Law School

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**PROGRAM AGENDA**

4:15 – 4:20 pm	Welcome & Introduction (Hao Wang)
4:20 – 4:35 pm	Fundamentals and Terminologies (Jiaying Jiang) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Crypto currencies, Web3, Blockchain explained</li><li>• Understanding governing laws and current regulatory framework</li></ul>
4:35 – 4:50 pm	Current legal issues relating to digital assets (Sarah Chen) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Unclear legal definition of secondary crypto transactions</li><li>• Potential impact of the 2024 U.S. election results on the crypto sector</li><li>• Legislations seeking to establish digital asset regulatory framework</li></ul>
4:50 – 5:05 pm	In-house perspective (Jolie Yang) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Adapting the pace of change in Crypto law while challenging the gender-based presumptions and bias</li><li>• Championing inclusion while managing risks the organization faces</li></ul>
5:05 – 5:25 pm	Day-to-day work for crypto law practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Understanding the Crypto markets, business model, products and services, and assets</li><li>• Problems to anticipate in day-to-day work and remedies</li></ul>
5:25 – 5:35 pm	Challenges each panelist has to face as an AAPI woman attorney <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Balancing between personal identity and profession</li><li>• Networking and access to opportunity as a women of color</li><li>• Handling workplace harassment and discrimination</li></ul>
5:35 – 5:45 pm	Q&A

**NY CLE Credit**

1.0 Areas of Professional Practice (Transitional and non-transitional)  
0.5 Diversity, Inclusion and Elimination of Bias (Non-transitional ONLY)

## **CLE Materials**

- Securities and Exchange Commission v. Payward, Inc. et al., 23cv 06003-WHO (N.D.C.A. August 23, 2024) ECF No. 90
- Securities and Exchange Commission v. Binance Holdings Limited, et al., 23-1599 (ABJ) (D.D.C. June 28, 2024) ECF No. 248
- Securities and Exchange Commission v. Coinbase, Inc. and Coinbase Global, Inc., 23 civ. 4738 (KPF) (S.D.N.Y. March 27, 2024) ECF No. 105
- “Unclear at Best”: SEC v. Payward, Inc. et al. and the Ongoing Struggle to Understand Secondary Crypto Transactions: <https://www.cahill.com/publications/client-alerts/2024-09-05-unclear-at-best-sec-v-payward-inc-et-al-and-the-ongoing-struggle-to-understand-secondary-crypto-transactions>
- Potential Impact of the 2024 U.S. Election Results on the Crypto Sector: <https://www.cahill.com/publications/client-alerts/2024-11-06-impact-of-the-2024-election-on-the-crypto-community-in-the-us>
- Decentralized Autonomous Organizations Face Increasing Legal Scrutiny, Raising Risks for Project Backers: <https://www.cahill.com/publications/client-alerts/2024-11-20-decentralized-autonomous-organizations-face-increasing-legal-scrutiny-raising-risks-for-project-backers>
- Trump’s First 100 Days of Crypto Asset Regulation: <https://www.cahill.com/publications/client-alerts/2025-05-02-trump-first-100-days-of-crypto-asset-regulation>
- U.S. House Bill Seeks to Establish Digital Asset Regulatory Framework: <https://www.cahill.com/publications/client-alerts/2025-05-13-us-house-bill-seeks-to-establish-digital-asset-regulatory-framework>
- Practical Implications of the SEC Staff’s New Staking Guidance: <https://www.cahill.com/publications/client-alerts/2025-06-03-practical-implications-of-the-sec-staff-new-staking-guidance>
- The CLARITY Act Progresses in the House: Key Takeaways: <https://www.cahill.com/publications/client-alerts/2025-06-23-the-clarity-act-progresses-in-the-house-key-takeaways>
- Charting a Path Forward – The Senate Banking Committee Offers Principles-Based Approach to Digital Asset Market Structure: <https://www.cahill.com/publications/client-alerts/2025-08-14-charting-a-path-forward-the-senate-banking-committee-offers-principles-based-approach-to-digital-asset-market-structure>
- The Ineluctable Modality of Securities Law: Why Fungible Crypto Assets Are Not Securities: <https://static.cahill.com/docs/Ineluctable-Modality.pdf>

## **Faculty Biography**

### **Sarah Chen**

Partner, Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP

**Sarah Chen** is a partner at Cahill's New York office. Sarah represents a variety of clients in the digital asset space that range from blockchain development companies, foundation entities, digital asset marketplaces, tokenization platforms, to venture capital firms, fintech companies and traditional financial institutions. Sarah provides legal advice on securities, commodities, and other laws and regulations that may apply to activities involving digital assets and the use of blockchain technology.

Prior to practicing at a leading law firm focused on blockchain technology, Sarah was a member of the M&A group at an international law firm headquartered in New York City and advised public companies and private equity firms on strategic corporate transactions, including mergers, acquisitions, carve-outs, joint ventures, restructurings, minority investments and corporate governance matters. During law school, Sarah served as a judicial extern to the Hon. Debra Ann Livingston of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

Sarah is a native speaker of Mandarin. Sarah received her B.A. from NYU and J.D. from Columbia Law School.

### **Monica Jang**

Of Counsel, Paul Hastings

**Monica Jang** is of counsel in the Fintech practice of Paul Hastings and is based in the firm's New York office. Her practice focuses on regulatory, compliance, and transactional matters relating to bank and non-bank financial institutions, including those involving payment, money transmission, the regulation of blockchain and digital assets, and other financial services laws. Monica assists clients at all stages of the regulatory lifecycle, including obtaining licenses and approvals, building compliance policies and procedures, and managing inquiries and examinations. In addition, Monica regularly counsels clients on product development and commercialization of product offerings in the payment and digital asset space.

Prior to joining the firm, Monica was an associate in the New York office of another global firm. Monica also held regulatory and compliance roles at a large financial institution and a leading financial technology company.

### **Jiaying Jiang**

Associate Professor of Law, University of Florida Levin College of Law

**Dr. Jiaying Jiang** is an Associate Professor of Law at the University of Florida Levin College of Law. She focuses her research on policy and regulatory aspects of emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence, FinTech, blockchain technology, cryptocurrencies, and central bank digital currencies. Her scholarship has been published in multiple law reviews and peer-reviewed journals across the United States, China, and Europe. She and her scholarship have also been quoted in the Washington Post, Fortune Magazine, Bloomberg, and other leading industry news outlets.

Before joining the faculty of UF Law in 2022, Dr. Jiang served as a Hauser Global Fellow at the New York University School of Law from 2020 to 2022. In this capacity, she was affiliated with the Information Law Institute and co-directed a project on central bank digital currencies in partnership with the Paul Tsai China Center at Yale Law School. In addition, she has contributed to the RegTrax Initiative at Stanford Law School since 2020 and has served as a peer reviewer for the Stanford Journal of Blockchain Law and Policy. She is also a member of the bar in China and New York.

### **Hao Wang**

JD Student, Columbia Law School

**Hao Wang** is a student at Columbia Law School with an interest in technology and law. He was previously at Northwestern Pritzker School of Law where he was awarded Kirkland & Ellis Scholarship in Civil Procedure as well as Constitutional Law and on the Dean's List.

### **Jolie Yang**

Assistant General Counsel, Uniswap Labs

**Jolie Yang** is the Assistant General Counsel at Uniswap Labs where oversees product legal and compliance. Prior to joining Uniswap, Jolie was product and corporate counsel at Coinbase, where she helped take the company public and launched Base, layer two blockchain on Ethereum. Through her work at Uniswap Labs and Coinbase, Jolie has deep technical knowledge of the DeFi industry and crypto more broadly from stablecoins to protocols. Jolie earned her BA and The Ohio State University and her JD at the University of Virginia School of Law.