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As Professor of Government and Technology in Residence at Harvard University, my mission is create and use technology to assess and solve societal, political and governance problems, and to teach others how to do the same. On focus area is the scientific study of technology's impact on humankind, and I am the Editor-in-Chief of Technology Science. Another focus area is data privacy, and I am the Director of the Data Privacy Lab at Harvard. There are other foci too.

I was formerly the Chief Technology Officer, also called the Chief Technologist, at the U.S. Federal Trade Commission (FTC). It was a fantastic experience! I thank Chairwoman Ramirez for appointing me. One of my goals was to make it easier for others to work on innovative solutions at the intersection of technology, policy and business. Often, I thought of my past students, who primarily came from computer science or governance backgrounds, and who were highly motivated to change the world. I would like to see society harness their energy and get others thinking about innovative solutions to pressing problems. During my time there, I launched the summer research fellows program and blogged on [Tech@FTC](#) to facilitate explorations and ignite brainstorming on FTC-related topics.

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