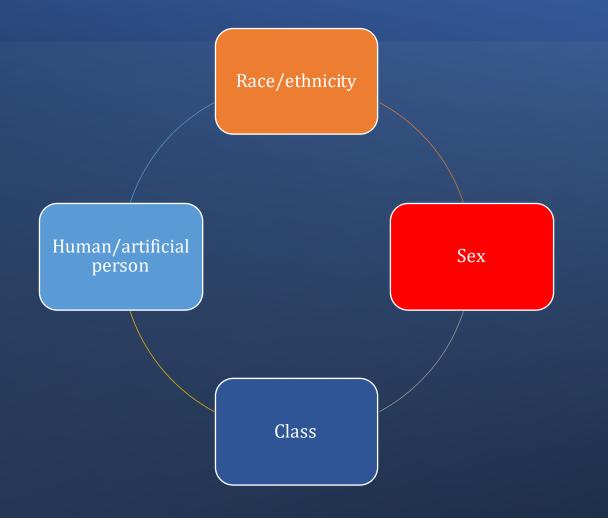
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## Any legal system can influence disparities...



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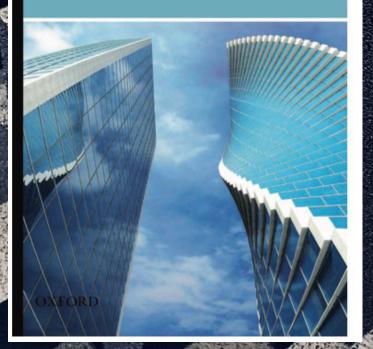
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# Fake people and the law



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### Fake person formats

The corporation The "uncorporation"

#### Missouri Small Business Startup Guide

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https://www.sos.mo.gov/business/outreach/startup\_guide

https://www.kansas.gov/businesscenter/

#### Kansas Business Entity Formation

- File Kansas (domestic) business formation documents for:
  - Corporations (for-profit and not-for-profit)
  - Limited Liability Companies (LLC)
  - Limited Partnerships (LP)

## Delaware

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https://corp.delaware.gov/howtoform/

## Fake people and the law: applications



#### FOR PROFIT NON-PROFIT MUNICIPAL OTHER

# Capital and entity selection

	Corporation	"Uncorporation"
Publicly traded		
Privately held		

# Fake people in....

# Constitutional law

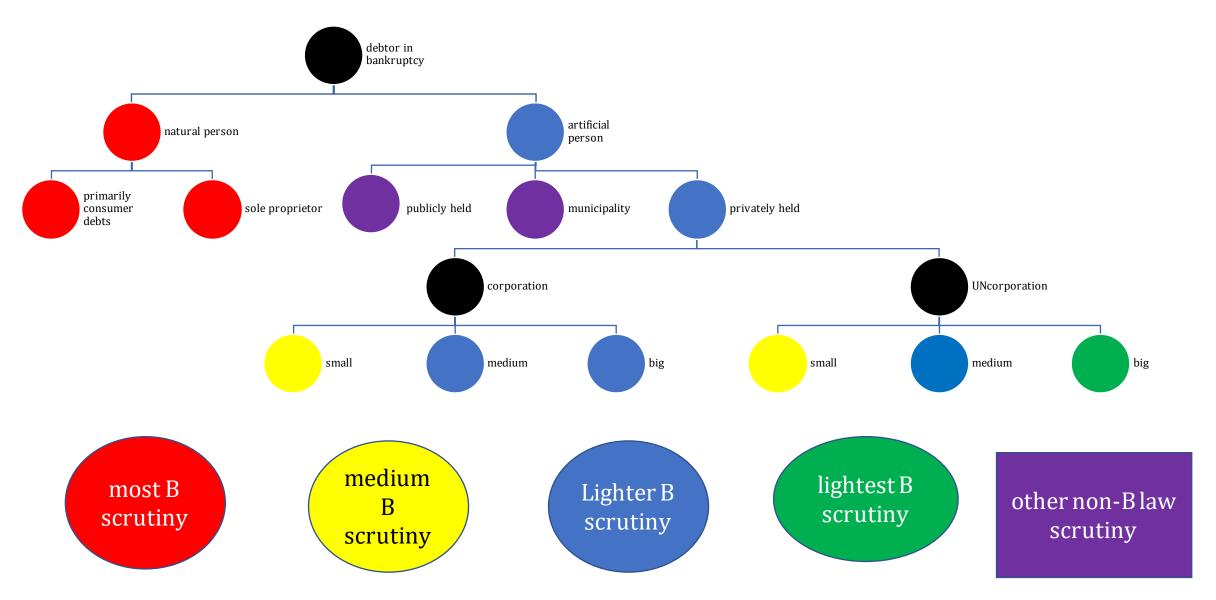
# Criminal law

# Employment discrimination

What do fake people need from bankruptcy?

# What does bankruptcy offer fake people relative to humans?

#### Levels of scrutiny/distrust



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Article I, section 8: The Congress shall have the power ...to establish uniform Laws on the subject of Bankruptcies throughout the United States

## Contributors to patterns







Published decisions?

Discretionary day-to-day?

Statutory example: scope of discharge: what kind of person is the debtor?

11 USC 523(a)

11 USC 1141(d)

11 USC 944(b)

#### Discretionary day-to-day examples





## Implications?

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