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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Admitted to Texas State Bar 1993 - active member in good standing
Admitted to Bar of the United States District Court, Northern District of Texas
Admitted to Bar of the United States District Court, Western District of Oklahoma
Admitted to Bar of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
Admitted to Bar of the United States Supreme Court
MEMBER: American Law Institute (elected 2008)
LIFE FELLOW: American Bar Foundation
MEMBER: Texas Pro Bono College (annually providing in excess of 75 hours pro bono service)

Professor of Law, Texas A&M University School of Law **Aug. 2013 – present**
Professor of Law, Texas Wesleyan School of Law **Aug. 2009 – Aug. 2013**

- ***Awarded Tenure & Full Professor Status 2009**
- *Nominated, Presidential Professor for Teaching Excellence 2024
- *Distinguished Teaching Award, (University-wide award) Association of Former Students, Texas A&M University 2017
- *Constitutional Law
- *Criminal Procedure
- *Introduction to U.S. Law – M.Jur. and LL.M. introductory course
- *Global Field Studies, Iceland – Comparative Criminal Justice
- *First Amendment
- *Judicial Clerkship Bootcamp (created course for judicial law clerks)
- *Advanced Constitutional Law – Politics of the Supreme Court
- *Advanced Constitutional Law – Sex Equality
- *Advanced Criminal Procedure – Motion Practice Practicum
- *Faculty Advisor, Judicial Clerkship Program – 2018-present
- *Faculty Advisor, Law Review 2010-2015, Co-Advisor 2018-2019
- *Faculty Advisor, Student Bar Association 2014- 2015
- *Faculty Advisor, Federalist Society 2016-2023
- *Faculty Advisor, PLAY (Presenting Legal Activities to Youth) 2016-2019
- *Awarded Frederic White Memorial Scholarship Award for Faculty Scholarship 2011
- *Nominated, Board of Trustees Faculty Scholarship Award 2010
- *AALS Teacher of the Year Award Winner 2013-2014
- *Awarded Most Outstanding Upper-Level Professor, 2019
- *Awarded Most Outstanding Upper-Level Professor 2016
- *Awarded Most Outstanding Upper-Level Professor 2015
- *Awarded Most Outstanding Upper-Level Professor 2012
- *Awarded Most Outstanding Upper-Level Professor 2011
- *Awarded Most Outstanding First Year Professor 2010
- *Most Valuable Faculty Member, Texas A&M Law Review 2022-2023
- *Member, *Sarah T. Hughes* North Texas Federal Criminal Law American Inn of Court, nominated as Inaugural Member, 2022-present
- *Member, Texas A&M Comm. on Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure (CAFRT) 2017-present
- *AALS Sports Law Section, Executive Committee Member 2016-present (Secretary 2017-2018, Treasurer 2018-2019, Chair Elect 2020-2021, Chair 2021-2022, Past Chair 2022-2023)
- *Past Chair, AALS Constitutional Law Section, Executive Committee Member 2017, 2019-present (Secretary 2021-2022, Chair Elect 2022-2023, Chair 2023-2024)
- *University of Texas at Arlington, Mavericks 20/20 Gender Equity and Student Welfare in Athletics Committee Chair for Division I Intercollegiate Athletics Department
- *Member, University of Texas at Arlington, Strategic Development Committee Dept. of Athletics

- *Member, Texas A&M Athletics Council – Advisory Committee on NCAA Athletics 2020-present
- *Executive Board Member, Innocence Project of Texas 2018-2022
- *Tulane Law Sports & Entertainment Law Moot Court Competition Volunteer Judge 2009-2012, 2017
- *Member, Texas A&M School of Law Dean Search Committee 2013-2014
- *Member, Hiring and Recruitment Committee 2011-2014 (Chair 2013-2014), 2019-2020
- *Member, Subcommittee for Hiring and Recruitment Clinical Professor 2021-2022
- *Chair, Tenure and Promotion Committee 2014-2015
- *Member, Post-Tenure Review Committee 2021-2022
- *Member, Curriculum Committee 2010-2012, 2020-2021
- *Chair, Code of Conduct Hearing Committee 2012-2013
- *Member, Faculty Committee on Student Publications 2011-2016, 2018-2019, Chair 2023-2024
- *Member, Faculty Development Committee 2017-2018
- *Member, Dean’s Advisory Committee on Ad Hoc Travel Issues 2012
- *Peer Review Scholarship Assessment – Stanford Law Review article 2023
- *Faculty Contributor, Texas State Bar Video Series for Middle School Students TEKS exam prep. 2011
- *Faculty Contributor, Women’s Suffrage Video, American Bar Association – Young Lawyers Div. 2012
- *Oral Argument, U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals (appointed counsel death penalty case) 2019
- *Oral Argument, U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals (appointed counsel death penalty case) 2014
- *Oral Argument, U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals (appointed counsel death penalty case) 2011
- *Oral Argument, U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals (appointed counsel CJA appeal) 2022
- *Oral Argument, U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals (appointed counsel CJA appeal) 2021
- *Oral Argument, U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals (appointed counsel CJA appeal) 2020
- *Habeas Corpus, Stay of Execution obtained, Tex. Crim. App., *Ex Parte Charles Don Flores* 2016
- *Habeas Corpus relief granted, Dallas County, *Padilla v. Kentucky* issue involving deportation 2012
- *Criminal Trial Experience, Second/Third Chair, Dallas County, felony and misdemeanor jury cases
- *Texas State Habeas experience, ineffective assistance of counsel claims, including *Padilla* challenges
- *First Amendment litigation, *Heller v. City of Dallas* (federal & state civil and criminal rep.) 2013-2014
- *First Amendment criminal trial, *City of Dallas v. Schermbeck* (bench trial, not guilty verdict) 2023
- *Title IX representation, both federal litigation and advisory issues (Division I College Coaches/Depts.)
- *Title IX Auditor, Division I State University Athletic Department
- *Appointed and Pro Bono Counsel, federal habeas corpus representation for Texas death penalty inmates
- *CJA Panel Attorney, Northern District of Texas, provide appellate representation to indigent defendants

Professor of Law, University of Oklahoma
300 Timberdell, Norman OK 73019

Aug. 2000 – May 2009

- ***Awarded Tenure & Promoted to Full Professor 2006**
- *Admitted to Membership, American Law Institute 2008
- *Voted Outstanding Law Professor by students (Gridiron) 2002
- *Most Outstanding First Year Prof., Civil Procedure (Sec. 3) & Con Law (Sec. 1)(Gridiron) 2003
- *Teaching Areas: Federal Civil Procedure, Constitutional Law, Criminal Procedure, Mediation/Negotiation, International Human Rights and Gender Discrimination
- *Practice Areas: Title IX, Civil Rights, Employment Discrimination, Prisoner Rights Litigation, Habeas Corpus (including parole), Civil Rights and School Discipline Issues
- *Special Consultant/Lecturer, U.S. Department of Justice’s Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Safe Schools Initiative
- *Certified Mediator, State of Texas - University of Houston A.A. White Center
- *Featured Faculty Contributor, Trials of Law School Documentary
- *Pro Bono Legal Representative - Title IX litigation (high school lacrosse team members)
- *Pro Bono Legal Representation - Title VII litigation (Olympic softball coaching claim)
- *Pro Bono Legal Representation, civil rights challenge to Texas Sex Offender laws
- *Pro Bono Legal Representation, employment discrimination case (Division I Volleyball Coach)
- *Pro Bono Legal Representation, police brutality civil right litigation
- *Pro Bono Legal Representation, Probation Revocation Hearing
- *Pro Bono Legal Representation, Student 504 Hearing (Texas)
- *Pro Bono Legal Representation, Parole applicant before Texas Bd. Pardon & Parole

- *Pro Bono Legal Representation, 8 Texas death penalty cases
- *Appointed Counsel, federal habeas corpus representation of Texas death penalty inmates
- *Cooperating Attorney: Women's Sports Foundation, National Title IX Organization
- *Faculty Advisor, Oklahoma Law Review (student run academic journal) 2003, 2007-2008
- *Faculty Coach, Black Law Student Association's Moot Court team (six teams advanced to Nationals) 2000-2003, 2004-2006
- *Faculty Coach, Thomas Tang Moot Court team (both teams advanced to Nationals) 2003
- *Faculty Coach, Entertainment and Sports Law team 2006-2008
- *Faculty Co-Coach, National Moot Court team 2004
- *Faculty Co-Sponsor Constitutional Law Society
- *Member, Committee "A" – peer evaluation and tenure committee for College of Law 2007-2009
- *Member, OU Reaccreditation Committee AALS/ABA Site Inspection 2001-2002
- *Member, Admissions Committee (appointed by President of University) 2003-2005
- *Member, Scheduling and Curriculum Committee College of Law
- *Member, Faculty Senate 2003-2005
- *Executive Committee Member, Faculty Senate 2004-2005
- *Awarded Arkansas Traveler Award for work combating school violence and training state educators
- *Nominated, Presidential Professor 2004, 2006

Staff Attorney to the Honorable Jane J. Boyle, United States Magistrate Judge Oct. 1996 – July 1998
United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas

- *Responsible for preparing Memorandum Opinion Orders for *pro se* & prisoner docket
- *Instructor, Judicial Code of Conduct Ethics Training for all court employees
- *Special Achievement Award for Dedication to Advancing Court Ethics

Sole Practitioner, Civil Rights and Employment Litigation June 1995 – Oct. 1996
Dallas, Texas

- *First Chair Trial and Appellate Experience – State and Federal Court
- *Pro Bono Representation in School Disciplinary Proceedings and Title IX issues
- *Volunteer Mediator for Tarrant County Dispute Resolution Center
- *Legal Expert for Local FOX Affiliate on Sexual Harassment & Student's Rights Issue
- *Volunteer Attorney, ACLU, federal civil rights and student discipline litigation

Associate, Thompson & Knight, P.C. Aug. 1994 – June 1995
Fort Worth, Texas

Senior Law Clerk to the Honorable Jerry Buchmeyer, U.S. District Judge Aug. 1993 – Aug. 1994
United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas

- *Responsible for preparing Memorandum Opinion Orders for civil and bankruptcy docket
- *Drafted Jury Instructions for civil and criminal cases

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS:

Textbooks:

Education Policy and the Law, Vanderplas Publishing 2009, co-authored with Prof. Bernard James
Civil Procedure, Vanderplas Publishing 2009-2010, co-authored with Prof. Paul George

Law Review Articles:

Understanding 303 Creative in a Polycentric Constitutional World, 32 WM. & MARY BILL RTS. J.
(forthcoming 2024)

Administrative Arrest Warrants: Armed Encounters Outside the Judicial Process, forthcoming, CORNELL J.
L. & PUB. POL'Y (forthcoming 2024)

Knock-Knock . . . Who's There? The Fourth Amendment Dilemma Posed by Warrantless Police Encounters at Home, forthcoming, GEO. MASON U. CIV. RTS. L.J. (forthcoming 2024)

Legal Clutter: How Concurring Opinions Create Unnecessary Confusion and Encourage Litigation, 31 GEO. MASON L. REV. F. 65 (2023)

The NCAA's Challenge in Determining NIL Market Value, 76 OKLA. L. REV. 1, 203 (2023)

The Unavoidable Collision: Religious Liberty and Same Sex Marriage Rights, 13 ConLaw NOW 39 (2022)

Equal Justice Under Law: Navigating the Delicate Balance Between Religious Liberty and Marriage Equality, 61 WASHBURN L. J. 191 (2021)

Goodbye to Concurring Opinions, 15 DUKE J. CONST. L. & PUB. POL'Y 25 (2020)

Overwriting and Under-Deciding: An Evaluation of the Roberts Court, SMU L. Rev. Forum (2019)

Enough Said: A Brief Proposal for Shortening Supreme Court Opinions, 18 SCRIBES J. LEGAL WRITING 49 (2019)

Supreme Verbosity: The Roberts Court's Expanding Legacy, forthcoming, 102 MARQ. L. REV. 167 (2018)

The Way Pavers: 11 Supreme Court-Worthy Women, HARV. J. L. & GENDER ONLINE (2018)

Getting it Right: Title IX's Role in Adjudicating Sexual Assault Claims, BELMONT CRIM. L. J. (2018)

Making the Case for an International Prison, 38 HOUS. J. INT'L LAW 425 (2016)

The Sistren: Ranking the Top 10 Female Supreme Court Justices, 18 GREEN BAG 447 (2015)

Tinkering with Success: College Athletes, Social Media, and the First Amendment, 35 PACE L. REV. 30 (2014)

Sharing Stupid Sh\$ with Friends and Followers: The First Amendment Rights of College Athletes*, 17 SMU SCI. & TECH. L. REV. 449 (2014)

Returning to a State's Right Model: Amending the Constitution's Most Controversial and Misunderstood Provision, Second Amendment Symposium, 46 CONN. L. REV. 1463 (2014)

Something to (Lex Loci) Celebrationis: Federal Marriage Benefits After U.S. v. Windsor, 41 HASTINGS CONST. L. Q. 41 (2013)

Unbreakable Vows: Same-Sex Marriage and the Fundamental Right to Divorce, 58 VILL. L. REV. 169 (2013)

Outspoken: Social Media and the Modern College Athlete, 12 J. MARSHALL INTELL. PROP. L. REV. 509 (2013)

Tattoos, Tickets, and Other Tawdry Behavior: How Universities Use Federal Law to Hide Their Scandals, 33 CARDOZO L. REV. 1555 (2012)

Free Speech versus Free Education: First Amendment Considerations in Limiting Student Athlete's Use of Social Media, 1 MISS. SPORTS L. REV. 77 (2012)

In the Name of Watergate: Returning FERPA to its Original Design, 14 N.Y.U. J. LEGIS. & PUB. POL'Y 75 (2011)

Conventional Wisdom: Acknowledging Uncertainty in the Unknown, 78 TENN. L. REV. 789 (2011)

The Emperor's New Clothes: Prosecuting Heads of State Under International Law, SANTA CLARA J. INT'L L. (2010)

Miranda, Please Report to the Principal's Office: Fifth Amendment Applicability in Public School Settings, FORDHAM URB. L.J. (2007)

A Short and Plain Solution to the Medical Malpractice Crisis: Why Charles E. Clark Remains Prophetically Correct About Special Pleading and the Big Case, co-authored with Dace Caldwell
39 GA. L. REV. 971 (2005)

No Badges, No Bars: A Conspicuous Oversight in the Creation of an International Criminal Court, 38 TEX. INT'L L.J. 621 (2003)

Shedding Rights, Shredding Rights: A Critical Examination of Students' Rights and the ASpecial Needs Doctrine after Earls, 3 NEV. L.J. 411 (2003)

Lest We Fail: The Importance of Enforcement in International Criminal Law, 15 AM. U. INT'L L. REV. 321 (2000)

Impunity: Inertia, Inaction and Invalidity, 17 B.U. INT'L L.J. 269 (2000)

Spandau Revisited: The Question of Detention for International War Crimes, XVI N.Y.L. SCH. J. HUM. RTS. 553 (2000)

It's Good to be the King!: Prosecuting Heads of State and Former Heads of State Under International Law, 39 COLUM. J. TRANSNAT'L L. 193 (2000)

Assisted Suicide: A Tough Pill to Swallow, 20.2 PEPP. L. REV. 689 (1993)

Works in Progress:

Fifty Ways to Leave Your Lover: Using State Constitutions to Escape the Dead Hand of Article V, first version presented at Rhodes House, Oxford University, Oxford, England (2023)

Encyclopedia Contributions:

Cell Phones, included in PRIVACY RIGHTS IN THE DIGITAL AGE (2015), updated 2019

Cruzan v. Missouri Dept. of Health, included in PRIVACY RIGHTS IN THE DIGITAL AGE (2015), updated 2019

Harassment, included in PRIVACY RIGHTS IN THE DIGITAL AGE (2015), updated 2019

Interrogations, included in PRIVACY RIGHTS IN THE DIGITAL AGE (2015), updated 2019

New Jersey v. TLO, included in PRIVACY RIGHTS IN THE DIGITAL AGE (2015), updated 2019

Stanley v. Georgia, included in PRIVACY RIGHTS IN THE DIGITAL AGE (2015), updated 2019

Stop and Frisk, included in PRIVACY RIGHTS IN THE DIGITAL AGE (2015), updated 2019

Double Jeopardy, Essay included in the Encyclopedia of Civil Liberties (2005)

Punishment, Chapter included in Encyclopedia of Genocide and Crimes Against Humanity (2004)

War Crimes, Essay included in Encyclopedia Britannica (2001)

Book Chapters:

Fulton v. City of Philadelphia, SCOTUS 2021 (ed. Morgan Marietta)

Creating an International Prison System, Research Handbook on the International Penal System (eds. Mulgrew & Abels 2016)

Learning Constitutional Law by Focusing on Writing, LAWYERING SKILLS IN THE DOCTRINAL CLASSROOM, Carolina Academic Press (ed. Oltz 2021)

From the Classroom to the Courtroom and Beyond, FOSTERING FIRST GEN SUCCESS AND INCLUSION: A GUIDE FOR LAW SCHOOLS (forthcoming Carolina Academic Press, 2024)(ed. Raposa)

Book Reviews:

Beyond Observable Prejudice – Moving from Recognition of Differences to Feasible Solutions: A Critique of Ian Ayres Pervasive Prejudice (book review), 55 OKLAHOMA LAW REVIEW 361 (2002)

Essays and Editorials:

Nominate the “most qualified” woman? Reagan certainly didn’t, L.A. TIMES (March 9, 2022)
Lone Star Impact: 10 Texas Cases that Reached the U.S. Supreme Court (ed. Tony Mauro), solicited piece *Judicial Independence*, THE ICELANDIC FEDERALIST PAPERS, No. 9 (writing as Civis)(Sept. 2017), available at <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/1tf6c3h0>
The Amendment Process, THE ICELANDIC FEDERALIST PAPERS, No. 12 (writing as Civis)(Sept. 2017), available at <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/3t5902wj>
Title IX: The Difficulties in Protecting an Accused’s Rights, TEXAS BAR JOURNAL, Vol. 80 (Sept. 2017)
The Death of Originalism, Austin American Statesman, Editorial (March 8, 2016)
Don’t blame Kim Davis – Blame Chief Justice John Roberts, Austin American Statesman, Editorial 2015
Same-Sex Marriage: From Legal Uncertainty to Legal Chaos, JURIST (invited) 2015
Worth the Cost? An Economic Assessment of the Death Penalty, Editorial 2014
Something to (Lex Loci) Celebrationis, VILLANOVA TOLLE LEGE, Fall 2013
Constitutional Crisis: An Article V Debate with Prof. Sanford Levinson, CQ RESEARCHER 2012
Effective Teaching in the Digital Era, TEXAS LAWYER 2011

Practical Publications:

Local Rules of Court, United States District Court, Northern District of Texas (Ed. 1996)
Attorney Handbook, United States District Court, Northern District of Texas (Ed. 1996)

Public Presentations:

State Constitutional Development and Growth in the Twenty-First Century, ACS Eighth Annual Constitutional Law Scholars Forum (co-host in sponsoring and presenter), University of Oklahoma (2024)
Understanding 303 Creative in a Polycentric Constitutional World, AALS Annual Meeting, Hot Topics Panel, Washington D.C.(invited panelist)(2024)
Commentator, Sports Law Works-in-Progress Session, AALS Annual Meeting, Washington D.C. (invited commentator)(2024)
Constitution Day Law Speaker, Title IX in the Modern Era, Baylor, University (invited speaker)(2023)
Article V’s Contribution to State Constitutional Development, Oxford University, Rhodes House, Oxford, England – Rothermere American Institute, Quill Project (2023)
Louisville Law School Criminal Procedure/Policing Discussion Forum (2023)
First Amendment and Free Speech, Northern District of Texas Bench/Bar Conference (invited panelist)(2023)

Today's Supreme Court in Context: Religion at the U.S. Supreme Court, 303 *Creative v. Elenis*, Texas A&M Glasslock Center for Humanities Research (2023)

AALS Law and Sports Section Works-in-Progress, moderator and panel organizer (2023)

The NCAA's Challenge in Determining NIL Market Value, University of Oklahoma Law Review Symposium (invited panelist)(2022)

Today's Supreme Court in Context: Discussing Religion through the Kennedy v. Bremerton School District and Carson v. Makin cases, Texas A&M Glasslock Center for Humanities Research (2022)

Beyond Resistance: Rebuilding Community and the Future of Immigration Law, Works-in-Progress presentation Los Angeles – *Abel v. United States in the Immigration Context* (2022)

A Re-evaluation of Abel v. United States: The Confusing Shadow of Dicta in Supreme Court Opinions, ACS Seventh Annual Constitutional Law Scholars Forum (co-host in sponsoring and presenter)(2022)

The Future of the NCAA, NIL's Cascading Shadow over the NCAA, SEC Sports Law Series (2022)

The Unavoidable Collision: Religious Liberty and Same-Sex Marriage Rights, The Center for Constitutional Law, Akron Law School (invited panelist)(2022)

Participant, Columbia University's Global Freedom of Expression Roundtable (invited panelist)(2021)

The Current NIL System and Its Implications: Legal Panel, Future of College Sports Symposium, Gonzaga University Law School (invited panelist)(2021)

Voting at 18 Turns 50: The History, Impact, and Future of the 26th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, Texas A&M University Libraries Event (invited panelist)(2021)

First Among Equals: Looking Back at the 1972-1973 Supreme Court Term, ACS Sixth Annual Constitutional Law Scholars Forum (co-host in sponsoring conference and panel participant)(2021)

Building Bench Strength: The Need for More Female Judges, Texas A&M Women Researching Women Series (invited Keynote speaker)(2021)

Counting the Votes: The Electoral College, Moderator, Texas A&M Wiley Lecture Series (2020)

Law Day Teleconference, The Rule of Law (19th Amendment), U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas (2020)

Goodbye to Concurring Opinions, Duke Law School, invited by Journal of Constitutional Law and Public Policy to present article selected for publication (2020)

Goodbye to Concurring Opinions, ACS Fifth Annual Constitutional Law Scholars Forum (co-host in sponsoring conference and panel participant)(2020)

Celebrity Justices: Causes, Concerns, Tenth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium, Loyola Chicago (2019)

The Purpose of Concurring Opinions, SEALS Works-in-Progress (invited panelist)(2019)

The 10 Commandments of Good Legal Writing: How to Think Like a Judge Without Writing Like One, Empire State Biennial Legal Writing Conference, New York Law School (invited panelist)(2019)

Goodbye to Concurring Opinions, Texas A&M School of Law Workshop (2019)

Having Their Say: A Call to End Concurring Opinions in Supreme Court Decisions, ACS Fourth Annual Constitutional Law Scholars Forum (co-host in sponsoring conference and panel participant)(2019)

Our Constitution and the Justices Who Interpret It, Texas A&M School of Law Business Speaker Series, San Antonio (2019)

Yes, But: the Overuse of Concurring Opinions in Supreme Court Writing, Ninth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium, Loyola Chicago (2018)

Why Iceland's Crowdsourced Constitution Matters Abroad, invited participant in Iceland's *Democratic Constitutional Design Conference*, Reykjavik, Iceland (invited panelist)(2018)

Lady Justice: Women Who Judge, Women's Research on Women Conference at Texas A&M University (invited Keynote speaker)(2018)

Verbosity: The Expanding Legacy of the Roberts Court, ACS Third Annual Constitutional Law Scholars Forum (co-host in sponsoring conference and panel participant)(2018)

Getting it Right: Title IX's Role in Adjudicating Sexual Assault Claims, Belmont Criminal Law Journal Symposium (invited panelist)(2018)

Legal Implications of Social and Political Activism in Sport, AALS Annual Meeting (2018)

Getting it Right: Title IX's Role in Adjudicating Sexual Assault Claims, AALS Hot Topic Panel (2018)

Verbosity: The Expanding Legacy of the Roberts Court, Eighth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium, Loyola Chicago (2017)

Hate Speech, Political Correctness and the First Amendment, Constitution Day Presentation, Texas A&M School of Law (2017)

Our Constitution and the Justices Who Interpret It, Rotary Club Presentation (2017)
The Way Pavers, Women Judges and Justices, Women's Research on Women Conference at Texas A&M University (invited panelist)(2017)
The Color of Justice: Does a Diverse Judiciary Matter, Nat'l Assn. of African American Studies (2017)
Obergefell: The Gray Area, Texas A&M School of Law Family Law Conference (2017)
The First Amendment in the 21st Century, SAIL (2017)
13th, BLSA Panel on the Thirteenth Amendment and diversity, Texas A&M School of Law (2017)
Advise and Consent: The Federalist Papers view on Judicial Nominations, SAIL (2016)
The Way Pavers, Women Judges and Justices, Seventh Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium, Loyola Chicago (2016)
The Way Pavers, Women Judges and Justices, Feminist Judgment Project, University of Akron Constitutional Law Center (invited panelist)(2016)
To Say What the Law Is: Evaluating the Supreme Court Justices as Legal Writers, Second Annual ACS Constitutional Law Scholars Forum, Barry University Law School (2016)
The New Frontier in College Sports: The Professionalization of Amateurism, AALS Annual Meeting (2016)
To Say What the Law Is: Evaluating the Supreme Court Justices as Legal Writers, Sixth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium, Loyola Chicago (2015)
ACS Supreme Court Preview, Texas A&M School of Law (2015)
To Say What the Law Is: Evaluating the Supreme Court Justices as Legal Writers, Notre Dame Law School (2015)
The Death Penalty in Modern Society, Notre Dame Law School (2015)
To Say What the Law Is: Evaluating the Supreme Court Justices as Legal Writers, Texas A&M School of Law (2015)
Constitution Day Presentation, Texas A&M School of Law (2015)
The Impact of Obergefell in Texas and Beyond, Texas Bar Association LiveCast CLE (2015)
Same-Sex Marriage and the Obergefell Opinion, AALS Mid-year Meeting (2015)
What the "Heller" Did the Supreme Court Mean? Federalist Society Presentation with Professor Nelson Lund, Texas A&M School of Law (2014)
There is no "I" in Team, But There Are Eyes on Twitter: The First Amendment Rights of College Athletes to Use Social Media, SMU Journal of Science and Technology Law Symposium (2014)
There is no "I" in Team, But There Are Eyes on Twitter: The First Amendment Rights of College Athletes to Use Social Media, Works in Progress Conference, Marquette Law School (2014)
Social Media, College Athletes and the First Amendment, Texas A&M School of Law (2014)
The Evolving Landscape of College Athletics, University of Texas Law School, Texas Review of Entertainment and Sports Law Symposium (2014)
AALS Mid-Year Meeting: Family Formation and Divorce Panel (2014)
Shut Up and Play: College Athletes, Social Media and the First Amendment, Pace Law Review Symposium (invited panelist)(2014)
Keynote Address for Women's History Month, "Character, Courage and Commitment," United States Department of Agriculture United States Federal Training Presentation, Dallas (2014)
Accommodating Religious Liberty after Windsor, Federalist Society Debate with Prof. Robin F. Wilson, Texas A&M School of Law (2014)
Repeal and Replace – Returning to a State's Rights Model, University of Connecticut Law Review Symposium (2013)
Repeal and Replace – Returning to a State's Rights Model, SAIL Dallas, Texas (2013)
Something to Lex Loci Celebrationis, LULAC Rainbow Coalition Symposium UT-Dallas (2013)
Something to Lex Loci Celebrationis, Texas A&M School of Law (2013)
Article V and Amending the Constitution, Texas Wesleyan Law School Federalist Society (2013)
Unbreakable Vows: Fundamental Right to Divorce, Texas Wesleyan Law School, OUTLaw Society (2013)
Outspoken: Social Media and the Modern College Athlete, John Marshall Law School Symposium (2013)
Religious Liberty and Same-Sex Marriage, Federalist Society Debate with Prof. Robin F. Wilson, Texas Wesleyan Law School (2012)
Same-Sex Marriage and the Fundamental Right to Divorce, Texas Wesleyan Law School (2012)
Student-Athletes First Amendment Rights in Social Media, Texas Wesleyan Law School (2011)
Free Speech versus Free Education, University of Mississippi Law School Symposium (2011)

Student-Athletes First Amendment Rights in Social Media, Arizona State University Law School (2011)
Conventional Wisdom in Convening a Constitutional Convention, Harvard Law School (2011)
A Coach, A President and a one term Senator, FERPA, Texas Wesleyan Law School (2011)
In the Name of Watergate: Returning FERPA to its Original Design Texas Tech Law School (2011)
Dying for Relief: The Right to Counsel in State Habeas Petitions, Tulsa Law School (2010)
 Death Penalty Representation in Texas, AARP Regional Meeting Fort Worth (2009)
The Right to Counsel, Texas Wesleyan University (2007)
 Nuremberg Conference, Bowling Green University (2006)
 Investiture Address for the Honorable Jane J. Boyle, United States District Judge, Northern District of Texas, Dallas, Texas (2004)
Debating the Virtues of Same-sex Marriage, University of Oklahoma Law School (2004)
 Panel Moderator, *United Nations Day*, University of Oklahoma (2004)
International Legal Responses to Acts of Terrorism, University of Memphis Law School (2003)
War Crimes Against Women, University of Oklahoma Women's Resource Center (2003)
Legal Responses to 9-11, University of Oklahoma Law School (2002)
The Restorative Nature of Mediation, University of Notre Dame Law School CLE (2001)
Jury Selection: A Legal Approach, University of Notre Dame Law School CLE (2001)
Accountability for Human Rights Violations, ASIL Annual Conference, New York City Bar (2000)
The Art of Federal Court Practice, University of Notre Dame Law School CLE (1999)
The Allure of Atticus Finch, University of Notre Dame Law School CLE (1999)

Media Appearances and Interviews:

Must See: Texas A&M Staff Makes Parody of Schoolhouse Rock! for Constitution Day, The National Jurist (Nov. 5, 2020)
The Life and Impact of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, CW33 television interview (Sept. 21, 2020)
Ruth Bader Ginsburg's Legacy, Texas Standard (Sept. 21, 2020)
Texas A&M Law Professor Recalls Ginsburg's Impact, Fort Worth Business (Sept. 20, 2020)
Texas A&M University Law School Staff Sings U.S. Constitution (Sept. 17, 2020)
Constitutional Crisis?, Texas Standard morning radio show KERA (May 9, 2019)
Replacing Justice Antonin Scalia, WFAA local ABC news Morning Show (Feb. 15, 2016)
Law Considers Morality of Death Penalty, Notre Dame Observer (Oct. 15, 2015)
Kim Davis, Religious Liberty & Same-Sex Marriage, KURV 710 NewsTalk Radio (Sept. 4, 2015)
Law Prof Weighs In on Kentucky Clerk Jailing, Texas A&M Battalion (Sept. 3, 2015)
Holdouts on Gay Marriage Could Face Lawsuits, Texas Tribune (July 10, 2015)
Same-sex Marriage Ruling Faces Religious Rights Battle in Texas, USA Today (June 29, 2015)
Jury Considerations in Boston Marathon Trial, CNN, Anderson Cooper 360 (April, 2015)
Jury Considerations in Boston Marathon Trial, CTV, Canadian TV (April 2015)
After bomber's conviction, jury to decide life or death, AP Interview reprinted in numerous news outlets including the Washington Post, Denver Post, Twin Cities, CBS NY, Star Tribune and Moscow Times
Same-Sex Marriage: From Legal Uncertainty to Legal Chaos, JURIST (2015)
Death Penalty Becomes Too Costly, Editorial, reprinted in numerous news outlets (2014)
Texas Takes Defiant Stance as Gay Marriage Decision Looms, USA Today (April 29, 2015)
Supreme Court Poised to Tackle Gay Marriage, WOAI News (April, 2015)
Equality or liberty? The debate was inevitable A&M Law prof says, F.W. Star Telegram (April, 2015)
Gay Marriage Cases Giving Republicans Jitters, Texas Tribune (April, 2015)
Right to Discriminate? Indiana Bill tests religious limits, concerns LGBT advocates, Texas A&M Battalion (March, 2015)
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