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EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, J.D.

- **Executive Editor**, *Harvard Civil Rights - Civil Liberties Law Review*.
- **Student Attorney**, Landlord/Tenant Clinic, Jamaica Plains Legal Services Center.

Bryn Mawr College, A.B. *magna cum laude* with honors in English.

EXPERIENCE

American University Washington College of Law.

Assistant Professor 2006 to present

- Teach Women's Legal History/History of Women in the Legal Profession, Property, Legal Ethics, and Judicial Externship seminar.
- Other activities include:
 - service on D.C. Bar's Legal Ethics Committee (three-year appointment, beginning July 2007);
 - directing law school's Legal Analysis Program for incoming first-year students (2005-08).

Visiting Associate Professor. Taught Property and Feminist Jurisprudence. 2002-06

Yale Law School. 1999-2001

Visiting Lecturer and Director, Lawyering Ethics Project.

- Co-taught course on legal ethics in which students represented individuals alleging attorney misconduct before statewide bar committee.

Research Scholar on Women in the Legal Profession.

- Researched and wrote a history of women at Yale Law School, set in larger context of history of women in legal education and the legal profession. Taught seminar on same.
- Co-hosted interdisciplinary conferences on contemporary feminist theory and practice.

Director, Arthur Liman Public Interest Program.

- Directed mini-foundation in awarding fellowships and grants for public interest legal work.
- Conducted educational programming, including annual colloquia, on public interest law issues.

U.S. Supreme Court Fellows Program. *Supreme Court Fellow, Federal Judicial Center.* 1998-99

- Assisted in drafting report to Congress of the Commission on Structural Alternatives for the Federal Courts of Appeals, proposing changes to federal appellate jurisdiction and case management systems.
- Co-authored *Case Mgmt. Procedures in Fed. Courts of Appeals* (with J.McKenna & L.Hooper 2000).
- Conducted research and writing on history of women federal judges.

Georgetown University Law Center. *Teaching Fellow, Appellate Litigation Program.* 1996-98

- Co-taught appellate litigation seminar, with emphasis on appellate jurisdiction, and supervised third-year students in litigating appeals in the U.S. Courts of Appeals and the U.S. Supreme Court.

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. *Appellate Attorney.* 1992-96

- Litigated cases of first impression under the Americans with Disabilities Act and Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act in the United States Courts of Appeals, presenting oral argument in 15 cases.

Judge John Godbold, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, Montgomery, AL. *Law Clerk.* 1991-92

PUBLICATIONS

- “My Brethren’s (Gate) Keeper? Testimony by U.S. Judges at Others’ Supreme Court Confirmation Hearings,” *Ariz. St. Univ. L. J.* (forthcoming 2009).
- “Why Care About the History of Women in the Legal Profession?,” *27 Rutgers Wom. Rts. L. Rep.* 59 (Spring 2006).
- “Treading on Hallowed Ground: Implications for Property Law and Critical Theory of Land Associated with Human Death and Burial,” *94 Kentucky L. J.* 487 (2005-2006).
- “Keep Your Hands Off My (Dead) Body: A Critique of the Ways in Which the State Disrupts the Personhood Interests of the Deceased and His or Her Kin in Disposing of the Dead and Assigning Identity in Death,” *58 Rutgers L. Rev.* 45 (Fall 2005).
- “Reconstructing the World Trade Center: An Argument for the Applicability of Personhood Theory to Commercial Property Ownership and Use,” *109 Penn. State L. Rev.* 815 (2005).
- “Lessons from the World Trade Center for Open Space Planning Generally and Boston’s Big Dig Specifically,” *32 Boston College Envir. Aff. L. Rev.* 301 (2005).
- “Women as Supreme Court Advocates, 1879-1979,” *Journal of Supreme Court History* (2005). [This is the footnoted text of my talk presented as part of Supreme Court Historical Society lecture series, U.S. Supreme Court, April 2004.]
- “Op Ed: A Fresh Start at Ground Zero,” *New York Times* A27 (May 5, 2004).
- “One Man’s Token Is Another Woman’s Breakthrough? The Appointment of the First Women Federal Judges,” *49 Villanova L. Rev.* 487 (2004).
- “Carter’s Groundbreaking Appointment of Women to the Federal Bench: His Other ‘Human Rights’ Record,” *11 Am. U. J. of Gender, Social Policy and Law* 1131 (2003).
- “Changing the Face of the Law: How Women’s Advocacy Groups Put Women on the Federal Judicial Appointments Agenda,” *14 Yale J. Law and Fem.* 243 (2002).
- “The First Women Members of the Supreme Court Bar, 1879-1900,” *36 San Diego L. Rev.* 87 (1999).
- “The Founding of the Washington College of Law: The First Law School Established by Women for Women,” *47 Am. U. L. Rev.* 613 (1998).

WORK IN PROGRESS

- “Sitting Judges as Judicial Selectors” [explores sitting judges’ roles in judicial selection and confirmation in state, federal, transnational, and others nations’ court systems]

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- Commentary on Professor Susanna Fischer, “History of Judicial Compensation,” D.C.-area Legal History Roundtable at Catholic University Law School (Nov. 2007) [upcoming]. [The Legal History Roundtable is a newly-revived gathering of faculty at D.C.-area law schools interested in research and writing on legal historical subjects.]
- “Women Judges Speaking Out,” *New Women’s Legal History Symposium*, Univ. of Akron L. Sch. (Oct. 2007).
- “Not My Brethren’s (Gate) Keeper?” Texas-Wesleyan University Law School Faculty Workshop (April 2007).
- “Symposium: Twenty Years of Legal Ethics: Past, Present, and Future,” Georgetown Univ. Law Center (Oct. 2006).
- Commentary on Professor Renee Lerner Lettow, “American Judges, English Judges, and the Power to Comment on Evidence,” D.C.-area Legal History Roundtable at George Washington University Law School (Sept. 2006).
- “Keep Your Hands Off My (Dead) Body,” Emory University Law School (2005).
- “The Legal Semiotics of Death and Burial,” McGill Univ. Faculty of Law (2005).
- “Lessons Learned from the World Trade Center for Boston’s Big Dig and Public Open Space Planning,” Boston College Law School (2004).
- “Treading on Hallowed Ground,” American Association of Law Schools Mid-Year Meeting (2004).
- “A History of Supreme Court Advocacy by Women, 1879-1979,” Leon Silverman Endowed Lecture Series, Supreme Court Historical Society (delivered at the U.S. Supreme Court 2004).
- Organizer and Moderator, “Redeveloping the World Trade Center: A Study in Land Use Planning,” American University Washington College of Law (2004).
- “Why Does it Matter that Women and/or People of Color are Appointed to the Bench?,” Feminism and Legal Theory Project Workshop, Cornell Law School (2003).
- “Carter’s Groundbreaking Appointment of Women to the Federal Bench,” American Association of Law Schools Mid-Year Meeting (2003).

COURSES TAUGHT

Property
Women’s Legal History

Legal Ethics
Feminist Jurisprudence

Judicial Externship seminar

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

District of Columbia, New York