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EMPLOYMENT

American University Washington College of Law
Professor
1993--present
Associate Professor (1990-1993)
Assistant Professor (1987-1990)

Current courses include civil procedure, family law, and sexuality and the law. Previously taught family law theory and policy seminar, externship seminar, supervised in the Public Interest Law Clinic and taught a clinical seminar. Administrative responsibilities have included two years as chair of the Admissions Committee.

University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law
Visiting Professor
2004-2005

Taught civil procedure, family law, and a family law theory and policy seminar.

Women's Legal Defense Fund
Staff Attorney
1982--1987

Responsible for the development and implementation of all domestic relations programs, focusing on child custody, child support and domestic violence, using a variety of strategies including litigation, legislative advocacy, administrative advocacy, and publications. Major accomplishments included a conference on child support guidelines including editing of papers; extensive legislative testimony before committees of the United States Senate, the House of Representatives, the Canadian Parliament, and several state legislatures; publication of training manuals for attorneys; amicus curiae and appellate briefs in state and federal courts.

Hunter, Polikoff, Bodley & Bottum, P.C.

(The D.C. Feminist Law Collective)
Attorney and Founding Partner
1976-1981

General practice of law including criminal litigation and civil litigation in the areas of family law, juvenile law, sex discrimination, lesbian and gay rights and personal injury.

Teaching Experience (adjunct faculty, 1976-1987)

Georgetown University Law Center: Family Law
American University Washington College of Law: Family Law
CUNY-Queens Law School: Domestic Relations Lawyering Seminar
George Washington University National Law Center: Sex Discrimination and the Law
Catholic University Columbus School of Law: Sex Discrimination and the Law; Basic Legal Techniques
Antioch School of Law: Family Law; Sex Discrimination and the Law
Potomac School of Law: Family Law; Legal Writing; Legal Research
George Washington University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences: Sex Discrimination and the Law; Feminist Theory
University of Maryland (College Park): Women and the Legal System; Legal Aspects of Family Problems; Impact of the State on the Family

Catholic University Columbus School of Law
Instructor
1975-1976

Full time faculty member responsible for teaching legal research, writing, and appellate argument.

EDUCATION

J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, 1975

Honors/Awards: Patrick Horan Legal Writing Award, 1973:
"Traditional Contracts Principles, Public Policy and the Law of Antenuptial Agreements"

Legal Writing Fellow

M.A., George Washington University, 1980, in Women's Studies

B.A., Magna Cum Laude, University of Pennsylvania, 1972, in English

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Beyond (Straight and Gay) Marriage: Valuing All Families under the Law, (Beacon Press, forthcoming February 2008).

Book chapters

“Lesbian and Gay Couples Raising Children: The Law in the United States,” in R. Wintemute, M. Andenaes, eds., RECOGNITION OF SAME-SEX PARTNERSHIPS: A STUDY OF NATIONAL, EUROPEAN, AND INTERNATIONAL LAW (2001)

“Raising Children: Lesbian and Gay Parents Face the Public and the Courts,” in J. D’Emilio, W. Turner, U. Vaid, eds., CREATING CHANGE: PUBLIC POLICY, CIVIL RIGHTS AND SEXUALITY (2000)

Articles

“Valuing All Families: An Introduction to the 2008 Santa Clara Law Review Symposium,” 48 SANTA CLARA L. REV. 741 (2008).

“For the Sake of All Children: Opponents and Supporters of Same-Sex Marriage Both Miss the Mark,” 8 N.Y. CITY. L. REV. 901 (2005).

“Lesbian and Gay Parenting: The Last Thirty Years,” 66 MONTANA L. REV. 51 (2005).

“All Families Matter: What the Law Can Do About It,” 25 WOMEN’S RTS. L. REP. 205 (2004).

“Making Marriage Matter Less: The ALI Domestic Partner Principles are a Step in the Right Direction,” 2004 U. CHI. LEGAL FORUM 353.

“Ending Marriage as We Know It,” 32 HOFSTRA L. REV. 201 (2003).

“The Impact of *Troxel v. Granville* on Lesbian and Gay Parents,” 32 RUTGERS L.J. 825 (2001).

Book Review, Making Babies, Making Families: What Matters Most in an Age of Reproductive Technologies, Surrogacy, Adoption, and Same-Sex Couples, WOMEN’S REVIEW OF BOOKS, September, 2001.

“Recognizing Partners but Not Parents / Recognizing Parents but Not Partners: Gay and Lesbian Family Law in Europe and the United States,” 17 N.Y.L. SCH. J. HUM. RTS. 711 (2000).

“Breaking the Link Between Biology and Parental Rights in Planned Lesbian Families: When Semen Donors are Not Fathers,” 2 GEO. J. GENDER & L. 57 (2000).

“Custody Litigation” and “Adoption,” in Bonnie Zimmerman, ed., *LESBIAN HISTORIES AND CULTURES* 5, 218 (2000) (encyclopedia entries).

“Why Lesbians and Gay Men Should Read Martha Fineman,” 8 *AM. U. J. GENDER, SOC. POL’Y & L.* 167 (2000).

“Family Law and Gay and Lesbian Family Issues in the Twentieth Century,” 33 *FAM. L. Q.* 523 (1999) (Co-authored with David Chambers)

Book Review, What is Marriage For? The Strange History of Our Most Intimate Institution, Vol. XVII, No. 1, *WOMEN’S REVIEW OF BOOKS* 19 (October 1999).

“The Limits of Visibility: Queer Parenting Under Fire,” *GAY COMMUNITY NEWS* 38 (June 1999).

“Resisting ‘Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell’ in the Licensing of Lesbian and Gay Foster Parents: Why Openness will Benefit Lesbian and Gay Youth,” 48 *HASTINGS L.J.* 1183(1997).

“Context and Common Sense: The Family Law Jurisprudence of Julia Cooper Mack,” 40 *HOWARD L.J.* 443 (1997).

“Am I My Client?: The Role Confusion of a Lawyer Activist,” 31 *HARV. CIV. RTS.-CIV. LIB. L. REV.* 443 (1996).

"Marriage as Choice? Since When?," *GAY COMMUNITY NEWS* 26 (Winter/Spring 1996).

“The Deliberate Construction of Families Without Fathers: Is It an Option for Lesbian and Heterosexual Mothers?,” 36 *SANTA CLARA L. REV.* 375 (1996).

"The Social Construction of Parenthood in One Planned Lesbian Family (and accompanying brief amicus curiae in Thomas S. v. Robin Y.)," 22 *N.Y.U. REV. L. SOC. CHANGE* 203 (1996).

"What's Biology Got to Do With It?: The Specter of Norms in Gay/Lesbian Parenting Disputes," *GAY COMMUNITY NEWS* 4 (Spring 1995).

"We Will Get What We Ask For: Why Legalizing Gay and Lesbian Marriage Will Not Dismantle the Legal Structure of Gender in Every Marriage'," 79 *VA. L. REV.* 1535 (1993).

"Lesbian and Gay Parenting: What's at Stake?," *GAY COMMUNITY NEWS* 3 (Fall 1993).

"Educating Judges About Lesbian and Gay Parenting: A Simulation", 1 *J. LAW AND SEXUALITY* 173 (1991).

"Fathers' Rights, Mothers' Wrongs", Vol. VII, No. 9 *THE WOMEN'S REVIEW OF BOOKS* 23 (1990) (Book review essay).

"This Child Does Have Two Mothers: Redefining Parenthood to Meet the Needs of Children in Lesbian-Mother and Other Nontraditional Families", 78 GEO. L.J. 459 (1990).

"Lesbian Mothers, Lesbian Families: Legal Obstacles, Legal Challenges", 14 N.Y.U. REV. OF L. AND SOC. CHANGE 907 (1987).

"Looking for the Policy Choices Within an Economic Methodology: A Critique of the Income Shares Model", in ESSENTIALS OF CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES DEVELOPMENT: ECONOMIC ISSUES AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS 27 (1987).

"Custody and Visitation: Their Relationship to Establishing and Enforcing Support", 19 CLEARINGHOUSE REV. 274 (1985).

"Child Custody", in WOMEN AND THE LAW, Carol H. Lefcourt, editor, Clark Boardman, 1984 (with Joanne Schulman).

"Gender and Child Custody: Exploding the Myths", in FAMILIES, POLITICS AND PUBLIC POLICY: A FEMINIST DIALOGUE ON WOMEN AND THE STATE, Irene Diamond, editor, Longman, 1983.

"The Inequity of the Maurice Franks Custody (sic: should read Child Support) Formula", 8 DISTRICT LAWYER 14 (November/December 1983).

"Why Are Mothers Losing? A Brief Analysis of Criteria Used in Child Custody Determinations", 7 WOMEN'S RTS. L. REP. 235 (1982).

"Cohabitation", 5 DISTRICT LAWYER 38 (September/October 1980) (with Mary Bottum).

"Custody Rights of Lesbian Mothers: Legal Theory and Litigation Strategy", 25 BUFFALO L. REV. 691 (1976) (with Nan D. Hunter).

"Legislative Solutions to Sex Discrimination in Credit: An Appraisal", 2 WOMEN'S RTS. L. REP. 26 (1974).

SELECTED ACADEMIC AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Author appearances discussing *Beyond (Straight and Gay) Marriage: Valuing All Families Under the Law* at University of Michigan, University of Pennsylvania, University of California at Berkeley Institute for the Study of Social Change, University of Southern California, University of Arizona, George Mason University, University of Chicago, DePaul University, and at numerous bookstores (complete listing at www.beyondstraightandgaymarriage.com)

"Author Meets Reader: 'Beyond Straight and Gay Marriage: Valuing All Families Under the Law,'" and Discussant, "Law, Sexuality, and Dependence," Law and Society Association

Annual Conference, Montreal, Canada, May 2008.

“Beyond Straight and Gay Marriage,” Gates Public Interest Law Speaker Series, University of Washington Law School, Seattle, April 2008.

Keynote speaker, Santa Clara Law Review Symposium: When Change Comes Home, Santa Clara University School of Law, Santa Clara, CA, February 2008.

“Beyond Marriage,” Equality and Beyond: Envisioning the Future of LGBT Rights, UCLA Williams Institute 7th Annual Update on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law and Public Policy, Los Angeles, February 2008.

“Alternative Reproductive Technologies and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender People,” Reproductive Medicine and Law Workshop, American Society of Reproductive Medicine Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, October 2007.

“Valuing All Families: Law Reform for the 21st Century,” International Society of Family Law North America Regional Conference, Vancouver, Canada, June 2007.

“Alternative Reproductive Technologies and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender People,” Joint plenary session of the Association of American Law Schools Workshop on Family Law and AALS/American Society of Reproductive Medicine Workshop on Reproductive Medicine and the Law, Vancouver, Canada, June 2007.

“Obtaining Public and Health Benefits for Nonmarital Families,” (Un)married...with Children: Examining Legal Constraints and Social Judgments, Symposium of the Journal of Gender, Social Policy and the Law, American University Washington College of Law, Washington, DC, February 2007.

Roundtable participant, “Rights and Wrongs: Morality in the Gay Marriage Debate,” 10th Annual Georgetown Journal of Gender and the Law Symposium, Washington, DC, February 2007.

“Responding to Relationship Recognition Proposals,” Creating Change, Annual Conference of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, Kansas City, MO, November 2006.

“Beyond Marriage: A Legal Vision Statement,” National Lesbian and Gay Law Foundation Lavender Law Conference, Washington, DC, September 2006.

“Marriage, Conjuality, and the Role of the State: Lesbian Strategies,” International Conference on LGBT Human Rights, Montreal, Canada, July 2006.

“Marriage, Civil Unions, Domestic Partnerships and Other Family Structures in a Mobile Society,” National Lesbian and Gay Law Foundation Lavender Law Conference, San Diego, CA, October 2005 (plenary session speaker)

“Valuing All Families: What is a Comprehensive LGBT Family Policy and Which American Arguments for Same-Sex Marriage Move us Farther Away From It?,” International Lesbian and Gay Law Conference 3, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, June 27, 2005.

“*Lawrence, Goodridge* and Beyond: The End of Marriage As We Know It?” AALS Annual Meeting, Section Program for the Juvenile and Family Law Section, San Francisco, CA, January 2005.

“Debating Same-Sex Marriage in the Name of the Children,” The New Family Law: A National Symposium on the Socio-Legal Implications of Same-Sex Marriage,” Seattle University School of Law, November 13, 2004.

“Beyond Marriage: Broadening the LGBT Family Agenda,” 17th Annual National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Creating Change Conference, St. Louis, MO, November 12, 2004.

“The Rhetoric of Same-Sex Marriage and Our Children,” Symposium in Honor of the Work of Ruthann Robson, CUNY School of Law, New York City, November 5, 2004.

“Lesbian and Gay Parents: Thirty Years of Legal Issues,” James R. Browning Symposium on Children and the Law, Montana Law Review, University of Montana, Missoula, MT, September 23, 2004.

“Marriage or Multiple Options? The Impact of Same-Sex Marriage Claims,” 2004 Annual Meeting, Law and Society Association, May, 2004, Chicago, IL.

“Eliminating Marriage’s ‘Special Rights’,” Women’s Rights Law Reporter Symposium 2004, Rutgers University School of Law–Newark, April 1, 2004.

“Ending Marriage as We Know It: Does the Movement for Same-Sex Marriage Divert Attention from a More Just Reform of the Law of Families?,” 2004 Family Law Distinguished Scholar Lecture, University of Wisconsin Law School, March 25, 2004.

“Why the ALI Domestic Partners Principles Get it Right,” AALS Annual Meeting, Section Program for the Property Law Section, Atlanta, Georgia, January 2004.

“Questioning Ourselves: The Pros and Cons of Marriage and Domestic Partnership Registration,” George Washington University, November, 2003.

“Making Marriage Matter Less: The ALI Domestic Partners Principles are a Step in the Right Direction,” University of Chicago Law School, October 2003.

“Ending Marriage as We Know It,” International Society of Family Law North American Regional Conference, University of Oregon School of Law, Eugene, Oregon, June, 2003.

“Lessons Beyond U.S. Borders,” Symposium on Marriage, Democracy, and Families, Hofstra

Law School, March, 2003.

“Defining Domestic Partners,” National Gay and Lesbian Task Force 15th Annual Creating Change Conference, Portland, Oregon, November 2002.

“Values Underlying Adoption Criteria,” Symposium on Marriage, Adoption and the Best Interests of the Child, Capital University Law School, Columbus, Ohio, November, 2002.

“Parenting by Same-Sex Partners,” Marriage, Partnerships and Parenting in the 21st century: The current international situation and new perspectives for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people and their families – a comparative approach, Conference of the Center for Research and Comparative Legal Studies on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity, University of Turin, Turin, Italy, June, 2002.

“Gay Marriage and the Judges,” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Budapest, Hungary, July 2001.

“For the Sake of the Children: Lesbian and Gay Families,” What’s Marriage Got to Do With It? Rethinking Debates over Research, Practice and Policy, Fourth Annual Conference of the Council on Contemporary Families, Fordham University, New York, 2001.

“Lesbian and Gay Parents: The Last Thirty Years,” Family Law Symposium 2000, University of Pennsylvania Law School, 2000.

“Child Custody I: LGBT Parents,” “Adoption and Second Parent Adoption,” and “Issues in Intercountry Adoption for LGBT Families,” National Lesbian and Gay Law Association Lavender Law 2000, Washington, DC, 2000.

“Recognizing Parents but not Partners; Recognizing Partners but not Parents: A Comparison between Europe and the United States,” Chronicling a Movement: A Symposium to Recognize the Twentieth Anniversary of the Lesbian/Gay Law Notes,” New York Law School, 2000 and International Society of Family Law 10th World Conference, Brisbane, Australia, 2000.

“The Impact of Troxel v. Granville on Lesbian and Gay Parents,” Who Gets the Children? Parental Rights After Troxel v. Granville, Rutgers Camden Law School, 2000.

“Gay Rights Litigation and Sexual Identity: Lesbian and Gay Families,” Panel Discussion, GAYLAW, Washington, DC, 2000.

“Breaking the Link Between Biology and Parental Rights in Planned Lesbian and Gay Families,” Third Annual Gender, Sexuality, and the Law Symposium, Georgetown University Law Center, 2000.

“LGBT Family Advocacy and Social Science Research: Responding to the Right Wing’s Attacks on our Families,” National Gay and Lesbian Task Force 12th Annual Creating Change Conference, Oakland, CA, 1999.

“Finding Support and Challenges Outside Our Institutions,” AALS Workshop for Women in Legal Education, American University Washington College of Law, 1999.

“Legal Issues for Lesbian and Gay Parents,” George Washington National Law Center, 1999.

“A Quarter Century of Lesbian and Gay Parenting Disputes,” The Evolving Family: Rights and Duties in Modern Relationships,” Cornell Law School, 1999.

“New Directions for Gay Rights in the 21st Century: A Roundtable Discussion,” Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, New Orleans, 1999.

“Assisted Reproduction: Legal Responses for the Traditional and Non-Traditional Marriage,” National Association of Women Judges Twentieth Annual Conference, St. Louis, 1998.

“Representing a Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual/Transgendered Parent in a Custody or Visitation Dispute” and “Health and Social Services for Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual/Transgendered Youth,” National Lesbian and Gay Law Association Lavender Law Conference, Boston, 1998.

“Lesbians Choosing Parenthood: Legal and Ethical Issues,” 23rd National Conference on Women and the Law, San Francisco, 1998.

“Private Ordering of Parental Relationships in Lesbian and Gay Families,” International Society of Family Law Ninth World Conference, Durban, South Africa, 1997.

“Honoring the Families We Create: Legal and Ethical Issues,” Relatively Speaking: A Conference on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgendered Families, New York University, 1997.

“The Role of Lesbian and Gay Foster Parents in Responding to the Problems of Queer Youth,” Intersexions: The Legal and Social Construction of Sexual Orientation, Symposium of Hastings Law Journal, Hastings Law School, San Francisco, 1997.

“Private Ordering in Lesbian and Gay Families: Will the Law Recognize What the Parties Create?” Margaret Halpenny Lecture, Faculty of Law, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, 1997.

“Breaking the Link Between Biology and Parental Rights in Planned Lesbian and Gay Families,” Feminism and Law Workshop Series, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto, 1997.

“Second Parent Adoption, Custody and Reproductive Technology,” Lavender Law V: The Fifth National Conference on Gay and Lesbian Legal Issues, New Orleans, 1996.

“Breaking the Link Between Biology and Parental Rights in Planned Lesbian and Gay Families,” International Society of Family Law North American Regional Conference, Quebec, CA 1996.

"Legal Issues for Lesbian and Gay Families," University of Chicago, 1996.

"Adoptions by Unmarried Couples," Program of the Family Law Section of the District of Columbia Bar, Washington, D.C., 1995.

"Legal Issues in Lesbian and Gay Parenting," George Washington National Law Center, Washington, D.C., 1995.

"The Deliberate Construction of Families Without Fathers: Is It an Option for Lesbian and Heteosexual Mothers?," Conference on Ethics, Public Policy, and the Future of the Family, Santa Clara University School of Law, Santa Clara, California, 1995.

"Current Issues in Gay/Lesbian Child Custody: Judicial Education," Lavender Law IV: The Fourth National Conference on Gay and Lesbian Legal Issues, Portland, Oregon, 1994.

"Advocacy Scholarship", Clients and Community in Legal Practice and Education, American University Washington College of Law, Washington, D.C., 1994.

"Family Values in the Gay '90's", Gay and Lesbian Parents Coalition International Annual Conference, New York, 1994.

"Gay and Lesbian Families," Stonewall at 25 Conference, Harvard Law School, 1994.

"When is a Father not a Father and Other Riddles", Feminism and Legal Theory Workshop: Parents and Children: Evolving Issues in Reproductive Rights and Relationships", Columbia Law School, 1994.

"Legal Recognition of Lesbian and Gay Families: The Issues Raised by the Case of Thomas S. v. Robin Y.", Association of the Bar of the City of New York, 1993.

"We Will Get What We Ask For: Why Legalizing Gay and Lesbian Marriage Will Not Dismantle the Legal Structure of Gender in Every Marriage", Symposium on Sexual Orientation and the Law, University of Virginia School of Law, 1993.

"Am I My Client?: The Role Confusion of a Lawyer-Activist", Mid-Atlantic Clinical Theory Workshop, University of Baltimore Law School, 1992.

"Second Parent Adoptions", "Strategic Planning for Lesbian and Gay Family Law", and "Am I My Client? The Role Confusion of a Lawyer Activist", Lavender Law III: The Third National Conference on Lesbian and Gay Legal issues, Chicago, 1992.

"Domestic Partnership or Gay Marriage: Which Route and How Long?", D.C. Bar Annual Convention, Washington, D.C., 1992.

"Am I My Client?: The Role Confusion of a Lawyer-Activist", Theoretics of Practice

Conference, Hastings Law School, 1992 and Critical Networks Conference, Northeastern Law School, 1992.

"Ideological Opposition to Lesbian and Gay Parenting," Frontiers of Legal Thought Conference, Duke Law School, Durham, N.C., 1992.

"Evaluating Gay Marriage", First Regional Conference on Lesbian and Gay Legal Issues, Georgetown Law School, 1991.

"Family Issues Roundtable", National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Fourth Annual Creating Change Conference, Washington, D.C., 1991.

"Teaching Methods to Discuss Heterosexism and Homophobia," Association of American Law Schools Workshop on Clinical Legal Education, Washington, D.C., 1991.

"Legal Issues that Affect Gay and Lesbian Parents," Washington University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri, 1991.

"Alternative Families", Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., 1991.

"Creating Families: Children" and "Contested Custody and Visitation Cases", Lavender Law II: The Second National Conference on Lesbian and Gay Legal Issues, Atlanta, Georgia, 1990.

"Expanding the Concept of the American Family," American Bar Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, 1990.

"Current Litigation", Gay and Lesbian Parents International Annual Conference, Washington, D.C., 1990.

"Family Legislative Issues", National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Second Annual Creating Change Conference, Washington, D.C., 1989.

"Advanced Workshop on Lesbian Mother Custody Litigation", 20th National Conference on Women and the Law, Oakland, California, 1989.

"Contested Custody Litigation" and "Gay and Lesbian Families with Children", Lavender Law: The National Conference on Lesbian and Gay Legal Issues, San Francisco, California, 1988.

"Shaping the Debate on Family in America", National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Creating Change Conference, Washington, D.C., 1988.

"Critical Clinics", Critical Legal Studies National Conference, American University Washington College of Law, 1988.

"Family and Guardianships", National Lawyers Guild Northeast Region Regional Conference:

"Fighting for our Lives: A Legal Conference on AIDS", American University Washington College of Law, 1988.

"The Lawyer's Role in Civil Disobedience: Advocate or Participant?", Northeastern University School of Law, Boston, Massachusetts, 1988.

"Gay and Lesbian Family Law Issues", Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, Miami, Florida, 1988.

"Alternative Parenting and Gay and Lesbian Partnerships", Chicago Conference on Sexual Orientation and The Law, University of Chicago Law School, 1987.

"Custody Preferences: The Politics of Parenting", Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, California, 1987.

"Child Custody Determinations: In Whose Interests?: An Historical and Contemporary Examination", Clara Brett Martin Lecture, University of Toronto Law School, 1986.

"Civil Rights After Hardwick: Are There Any?", George Washington University National Law Center, Washington, D.C., 1986.

"Trends in Custody Determination--An Historical and Contemporary Overview", Conference on Child Custody: The American Family in Conflict, University of Baltimore Law School, Baltimore, Maryland, 1986.

"Child Support Guidelines: A Critique of the Economic Analysis of Parental Expenditures on Children", Women's Legal Defense Fund Conference on Child Support Guidelines, Queenstown, Maryland, 1986.

"Alternative Families and Other Innovations in Life and Law", University of Chicago Law School, 1986.

"Equality and Family Law Reform", National Lawyers Guild Annual Conference, Denver, Colorado, 1986.

"Trends in Family Law: The Impact on Women", Northwest Women's Law Center Conference on Family Law, Seattle, Washington, 1986.

"Lesbian Custody: 1986", National Conference on Women and the Law, Chicago, Illinois, 1986

"Non-AFDC Clients in the IV-D System", American Bar Association Conference on Child Support, Long Beach, California, 1986.

"Lesbian Families", New York University Law School, 1986.

SELECTED MEMBERSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES

Bar: District of Columbia, Maryland, United States Supreme Court

National Advisory Board, Law and Sexuality: A Review of Lesbian and Gay Legal Issues, 1990 to present

National Family Law Advisory Council, National Center for Lesbian Rights, 1989 to present

Executive Committee Member, Association of American Law Schools Section on Gay and Lesbian Legal Issues, 1990 to 1993; Chair, 1992.

Faculty, Child Custody Training, D.C. Bar Public Service Activities Corporation Pro Bono Training Program, 1991 to 1993.

District of Columbia Superior Court Child Support Guidelines Committee, appointed by Chief Judge H. Carl Moultrie, 1985 to 1990.

Steering Committee, Family Law Section, District of Columbia Bar, 1986 to 1988.

Legal Coordinator, Nonviolent Civil Disobedience at United States Supreme Court in support of Lesbian and Gay Rights, 1987.

Advisory Committee, 18th National Conference on Women and the Law, 1987.