

## **JANE K. STOEVER**

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### **EDUCATION**

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**GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER, LL.M.**, Advocacy, February 2008, *with honors*  
Domestic Violence Clinic, *Clinical Teaching Fellow and Supervising Attorney*

**HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, J.D.**, June 2003

Honors: Equal Justice America Fellowship  
Irving R. Kaufman Postgraduate Public Interest Fellowship  
Activities: Student Attorney, Harvard Legal Aid Bureau  
Primary Editor, *Women's Law Journal*  
Staff, *Human Rights Journal*  
Mentor, Big Brothers Big Sisters  
Thesis: *Domestic Violence and Psychological Trauma in Custody Disputes*

**UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS, B.A.**, English, May 2000, *with highest distinction*

Honors: *Phi Beta Kappa*  
Outstanding Woman in Leadership at the University of Kansas  
University Scholar  
Donna Evans Kingsbury Scholarship (full tuition awarded to one Junior)  
Golden Key National Honor Society (scholarship awarded to one Junior)  
USA TODAY All-USA Academic Team  
Activities: President and Co-founder, Working Against Violence Everywhere  
President, Commission on the Status of Women  
Planning Committee, Sexual Assault Awareness Week  
Live-In Staff Member at homeless shelter  
Intern, Children's Defense Fund, Violence Prevention and Youth Development  
Youth Care Worker, Temporary Lodging for Children  
Thesis: *Letters and Social Change: Freeing Prisoners and Minds*

### **TEACHING INTERESTS**

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Clinical Teaching, Family Law, Torts, Evidence, Ethics, Trial Advocacy, Civil Procedure, Immigration

### **PUBLICATIONS**

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*Stories Absent from the Courtroom: Responding to Domestic Violence in the Context of HIV and AIDS*  
(submitted for publication in August 2008).

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS: A GUIDE TO LEGAL REMEDIES FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (ed., 2008) (forthcoming 2008).

*Domestic Violence*, in THE CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PRACTICE MANUAL, Council for Court Excellence (ed., 2007).

*Litigating Domestic Violence Cases*, in THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PRACTICE MANUAL (with Laurie S. Kohn & Elizabeth Liu eds., 2006 and 2007).

*Narrative*, in HARVARD LAW SCHOOL'S WOMEN'S RIGHTS GUIDE (2007).

## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

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*The Ethics of Using Immigration Status in Domestic Violence Cases* (in progress).

*Domestic Violence and Psychological Trauma in Custody Disputes* (in progress).

## **EXPERIENCE**

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### **AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON COLLEGE OF LAW**

Washington, DC

Summer 2006 – present

*Director, Domestic Violence Clinic; Practitioner-in-Residence.* Oversee all aspects of the Clinic. Significantly expanded the Clinic's immigration practice, community education, and student enrollment. Supervise third-year law students in representing clients in family law, domestic violence, and immigration cases. Develop curriculum and materials, teach intensive orientation, co-teach weekly seminar on lawyering theory and trial skills, lead weekly case rounds, and supervise students' writing. Teach 3-credit Family Law course to 45 students, focusing on constitutional doctrine affecting families, entry into marriage, divorce, economic consequences of divorce, child placement, and the definition of family (spring 2008, 2009). Taught 2-credit Domestic Violence Law seminar to 16 students (2007).

### **GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER**

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CLINIC**, Washington, DC

Summer 2004 – Summer 2006

*Adjunct Professor* (June 2006 – August 2006); *Georgetown Graduate Teaching Fellow and Women's Law & Public Policy Fellow* (August 2004 – June 2006). Taught seminar classes on Family Law, Domestic Violence Law, Evidence, and Trial Advocacy. Worked closely with Clinic co-directors to develop curriculum, train incoming teaching fellows, and establish grading standards. Supervised third-year law students in all stages of litigating civil protection order, child support, and criminal contempt cases, including written work and oral advocacy. Represented survivors of domestic violence in civil protection order cases. Participated in monthly seminar on clinical pedagogy.

**SUPREME COURT OF MISSOURI**, Jefferson City, MO

Fall 2003 – Spring 2004

*Law Clerk for Judge Michael Wolff.* Assisted in preparation for oral arguments and in research and writing of published opinions. Drafted transfer memoranda and recommendations for extraordinary writs.

**HARVARD LEGAL AID BUREAU**, Cambridge, MA

Fall 2001 – Spring 2003

*Student Attorney.* Worked 20 to 30 hours per week representing indigent clients in family, domestic violence, housing, and government benefits trials and hearings. Representation included counseling clients, investigating facts, drafting and arguing motions, and conducting depositions.

**LIFE SPAN CENTER FOR LEGAL SERVICES & ADVOCACY**, Chicago, IL

Summer 2002

*Law Clerk.* Represented victims of domestic violence in divorce, custody, child support, and restraining order cases. Interviewed clients and drafted motions, orders, and legal memoranda.

**JENNER & BLOCK, LLP**, Chicago, IL

Summer 2002

*Summer Associate.* Wrote memoranda for Litigation and Employee Benefits departments. Drafted motion for summary judgment. Conducted research to support appeal of murder conviction.

**LEGAL AID OF WESTERN MISSOURI**, Kansas City, MO

Summer 2001

*Law Clerk in Domestic Unit.* Assisted attorney in Order of Protection docket. Drafted guardianship brief. Wrote memoranda on international foreign decrees and relocation of custodial parents.

*Law Clerk in Housing Unit.* Interviewed judges, landlords, and tenants and wrote a report for the Kansas City Community Court Monitoring Project on the treatment of *pro se* litigants in housing court.

## **SELECT PRESENTATIONS**

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Co-Presenter, *Cross-Clinic Collaborations: Looking Forward and Reflecting Back*, Association of American Law Schools, Conference on Clinical Legal Education (May 2008).

Guest Lecturer, *The State's Response to Domestic Violence*, Georgetown University Law Center, International Women's Human Rights Seminar (March 2008).

Plenary Speaker, *Developments in Domestic Violence Law*, National Youth Leadership Forum on Law (November 2007).

Presenter, *Using Reflective Journals in Clinical Teaching*, American University, Washington College of Law, Clinical Faculty Lunch Presentation (September 2007).

Co-Presenter, *Clinical Education in 2007: A Time to Think, a Time to Grow*, Association of American Law Schools, Conference on Clinical Legal Education (May 2007).

Panelist, *Direct Representation v. Impact Litigation*, American University, Washington College of Law, Public Advocacy Seminar (February 2007).

Moderator, *Domestic Violence in the Context of HIV and AIDS: Lessons from Africa*, American University, Washington College of Law, International Legal Studies Program 25th Anniversary (March 2007).

Presenter, *Animals in Domestic Violence: Protecting Victims by Protecting Their Pets*, American University, Washington College of Law (November 2006).

Presenter, *Teaching About Poverty and Domestic Violence*, American University, Washington College of Law, Clinical Faculty Lunch Presentation (October 2006).

Guest Lecturer, *Introduction to Domestic Violence*, Georgetown University Law Center, International Women's Human Rights Seminar (March 2006).

Small-Group Leader, *The Intersection of Religious Tradition and Domestic Violence*, Georgetown University Law Center (March and April 2006).

Panelist, *Alumnae Advice to Current Fellows*, Women's Law and Public Policy Fellowship Program (September 2005).

Presenter, *Civil Litigation on Behalf of Domestic Violence Victims*, District of Columbia Crime Victims Compensation Program (August 2005).

## **SERVICE**

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Steering Committee, District of Columbia Bar Family Law Section (June 2008 – present).

Faculty Advisor, Immigrant Rights Coalition, Committee on Domestic Violence in Immigrant Communities (2008).

Judge, Alice Paul Feminist Jurisprudence Essay Contest (2008).

Member, D.C. Superior Court Domestic Violence Unit Task Force (September 2006 – present).

Committee Member, American University, Washington College of Law, Serving Clients Having Limited English Proficiency Project (September 2006 – present).

Planning Committee, Clinical Faculty Retreat (2008).

Judge, American University, Washington College of Law Mock Trial Competition (February 2008).

Volunteer, In My Backyard Service Project (2007, 2008).

Volunteer, Family Court Self-Help Center (March 2005 – present).

Member, Domestic Violence Advocates (August 2004 – present).

Mentor, Women’s Law & Public Policy Fellowship Program (September 2005 – July 2006).

Litigation Team, Victim Informed Prosecution Project (August 2004 – June 2006).

Consultant, Head Start Safe Futures Legal Issues Manual (August 2005).

## **BAR MEMBERSHIPS**

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District of Columbia and New York

## **REFERENCES**

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Professor Deborah Epstein  
Associate Dean of Clinical Education  
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Co-Director, Domestic Violence Clinic  
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Professor Louise Trubek (law thesis supervisor)  
University of Wisconsin Law School  
Visiting Professor, Harvard Law School, 2002-03  
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