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NEW FACULTY & APPOINTMENTS

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The strength of any modern American law school can be seen in its faculty. For 50 years, the UC Davis School of Law faculty has been committed to the highest standards of scholarship and legal education as well as the ideals of social justice and equality espoused by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., for whom our law school building is named. Our leadership, faculty, and chairs have exemplified a deep and enduring commitment to diversity and excellence in research, teaching, and service.

In recent years, we have made impressive additions to our faculty that have drawn nationwide notice. In an era in which law school faculty hiring has been stagnant, UC Davis School of Law has been fortunate to be in a position to expand its roster of outstanding scholar-educators. Recently, the successful recruitment of Professor William S. Dodge continued the hiring of stellar lateral faculty from leading schools such as Harvard, Stanford, UC Berkeley, and others. Professor Dodge, most recently the Honorable Roger J. Traynor Professor of Law at UC Hastings College of the Law, is an influential international leader.
law scholar who serves as a Co-Reporter for the American Law Institute’s *Restatement (Fourth) of Foreign Relations Law: Jurisdiction* and as a member of the State Department’s Advisory Committee on International Law.

Also joining our faculty this year is **Professor Jasmine E. Harris**, previously at American University, Washington College of Law. Professor Harris will teach Evidence and Disability Law.

As we welcome these outstanding new additions, we are pleased to be able to recognize the achievements of two stalwarts of our faculty by promoting them to positions of leadership. **Professor Madhavi Sunder**, a leading scholar of law and culture who has been with King Hall since 1999, has agreed to become our Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. **Professor Angela P. Harris**, one of the nation’s foremost scholars in the fields of critical race theory, feminist legal theory, and civil rights, has been appointed as the Boochever and Bird Endowed Chair for the Study and Teaching of Freedom and Equality.

As UC Davis School of Law has risen to the highest echelons in legal education, the faculty has led the way. The latest additions fit well into that grand tradition of scholars, teachers, and public servants that has defined King Hall for five decades.

Kevin R. Johnson

Dean and Mabie-Apallas Professor of Public Interest Law and Chicana/o Studies
A leading scholar of law and culture, Professor Madhavi Sunder has been appointed Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at UC Davis School of Law, effective August 16, 2015.

“We are very fortunate that an internationally acclaimed scholar and much-revered teacher like Professor Sunder is ready and willing to commit her intellect, energy, and enthusiasm to serve the School of Law,” said Dean Kevin R. Johnson.

Professor Sunder joined UC Davis School of Law in 1999. She was named a Carnegie Scholar in 2006 and has been a Visiting Professor of Law at Yale Law School, the University of Chicago Law School, and Cornell Law School. Her work traverses numerous fields, from intellectual property to human rights law and the First Amendment. She has published in leading law journals including the *Yale Law Journal*, *Stanford Law Review*, *California Law Review*, and *Texas Law Review*, among others. Her book, *From Goods to a Good Life: Intellectual Property and Global Justice*, was published by Yale University Press in 2012.

Sunder is a graduate of Harvard College and Stanford Law School, where she was an Articles Editor for the *Stanford Law Review*. She clerked for Judge Harry Pregerson of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. She also practiced law in New York with Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton.

“I am delighted to have this opportunity to serve the amazing students, faculty, and staff of King Hall in this role,” said Sunder. “I look forward to doing whatever I can to contribute to the continued upward trajectory of the School of Law.”
Professor Angela Harris, one of the nation's foremost scholars in the fields of critical race theory, feminist legal theory, and civil rights, has been appointed as the Boochever and Bird Endowed Chair for the Study and Teaching of Freedom and Equality at UC Davis School of Law.

Harris, who began teaching at UC Berkeley's Boalt Hall in 1988, joined the King Hall faculty in 2011. She also has been a visiting professor at the law schools of Stanford, Yale, and Georgetown, and served as Vice Dean of Research and Faculty Development at the State University of New York - University at Buffalo School of Law during 2010-11. She holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and a master's degree in Social Science from the University of Chicago, where she also received her J.D. Following law school, she clerked for Judge Joel M. Flaum on the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, and then practiced with Morrison & Foerster in San Francisco.

Harris is the author of a number of widely reprinted and influential articles and essays in critical legal theory, a prolific co-author of casebooks, and a co-editor of Presumed Incompetent: The Intersections of Race and Class for Women in Academia (2013). Her article, “Race and Essentialism in Feminist Legal Theory” (Stanford Law Review, 1990), is one of the most-cited law review articles of all time, according to a recent study in the Michigan Law Review. She is a sought-after speaker at workshops and conferences, and she is active in promoting community among critical legal scholars, having played an active role in founding LatCrit, Inc. and ClassCrits, and co-founded the Aoki Center for Critical Race and Nation Studies at King Hall.

The Boochever and Bird Chair was created with funding from Charlie ‘73 and Charlotte Bird to support faculty research committed to preserving and expanding the virtues of freedom and equality. The chair was named for the Honorable Robert Boochever of the Supreme Court of Alaska and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and for Elizabeth J. Bird and Donald G. Bird. As the Boochever and Bird Chair, Professor Harris will have access to an endowment that will support her research, teaching, and service efforts.
Professor William S. Dodge specializes in international law, international transactions, and international dispute resolution. He currently serves as Co-Reporter for the American Law Institute’s *Restatement (Fourth) of Foreign Relations Law: Jurisdiction* and as a member of the State Department’s Advisory Committee on International Law. From 2011 to 2012, he was Counselor on International Law to the Legal Adviser at the State Department.

Before joining the UC Davis faculty in 2015, Professor Dodge taught for 20 years at UC Hastings College of the Law, where he was the Honorable Roger J. Traynor Professor of Law. At UC Hastings, Professor Dodge served as Associate Dean for Research and won the Rutter Award for teaching excellence.

Professor Dodge is co-author (with Detlev Vagts, Harold Koh, and Hannah Buxbaum) of the casebook *Transnational Business Problems* (5th ed. Foundation Press 2014) and co-editor (with David Sloss and Michael Ramsey) of *International Law in the U.S. Supreme Court: Continuity and Change* (Cambridge University Press 2011), which won the American Society of International Law’s 2012 certificate of merit. He has more than 40 other publications in books and law reviews. His articles have been cited more than 20 times in court opinions, including three times by the U.S. Supreme Court.

Professor Dodge received his B.A. in History, *summa cum laude*, from Yale University in 1986. After teaching English in Tianjin, China, he attended Yale Law School, where he was a Notes Editor of the *Yale Law Journal*, served as Director of the Lowenstein International Human Rights Project, and earned his J.D. in 1991. Professor Dodge clerked for Judge William A. Norris of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and for Justice Harry A. Blackmun of the U.S. Supreme Court. From 1993 to 1995, he was an attorney at Arnold & Porter in Washington, D.C.

He is a member of the American Law Institute.
JASMINE E. HARRIS
ACTING PROFESSOR OF LAW

Jasmine E. Harris graduated magna cum laude with a B.A. in Latin American & Caribbean Studies from Dartmouth College, where she was a recipient of the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation's Mellon Mays Fellowship. She holds a J.D. from Yale Law School, where she was a Senior Editor for Yale Law & Policy Review and a recipient of the Connecticut Hispanic Bar Association's Merit Scholarship, as well as the Lloyd N. Cutler Scholarship for Public Service.

Prior to joining the faculty at UC Davis, she was a fellow at American University Washington College of Law, where she taught courses in Civil Procedure, Feminist Jurisprudence, co-taught a seminar on lawyering skills and values, and supervised student fieldwork in conjunction with the Disability Rights Law Clinic.

Professor Harris clerked for the late Harold Baer, Jr., United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York. She has significant experience in complex civil litigation. She practiced complex commercial litigation, securities, and government investigations as a Senior Associate with WilmerHale (formerly Wilmer, Cutler and Pickering LLP). Professor Harris also worked as a staff attorney at Advancement Project, a national civil rights organization, where she assisted grassroots advocacy campaigns around racial justice in education and juvenile matters.

Professor Harris's research lies at the intersection of civil rights, civil procedure, and social psychology. She is particularly concerned with the ways in which rules and procedures can change social norms, and, currently, explores these questions in the disability context.

Professor Harris teaches courses in Disability Rights Law and Evidence.

EDUCATION

J.D.
Yale Law School
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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Civil Procedure, Disability Rights Law, Evidence, Law and Society