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POSITIONS HELD

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<b>University of California, Davis</b> , Martin Luther King, Jr., School of Law	
Distinguished Professor of Law	2024-
Martin Luther King, Jr., Professor of Law	2015-2024
Professor of Law	2004-2015
Acting Professor of Law	1999-2004

Granted tenure in 2004.

Courses: The First-Gen Experience in Scholarly and Popular Literature, Law and Rural Livelihoods, White Working-Class and the Law, Torts, Feminist Legal Theory, Sociology of the Legal Profession. Taught undergraduate students in University Honors Program (previously Davis Honors Challenge), a non-traditional honors course focused on collaborative learning that bridges the gap between academic research and practical solutions to “real world” tasks. Most recently, taught Project Management Course, 2011-2015.

Created and taught undergraduate seminar for first-year, first gen students, Fall 2018, “The First Gen Experience in Scholarly and Popular Literature.”

Research: Law and rural livelihoods, legal geography, white working class and white poverty, critical race theory, feminist legal theory, reproductive rights, legal profession, communicative torts.

Prizes: Bill and Sally Rutter Distinguished Teaching Award 2020; nominee for award 2003, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013

Dean’s Distinguished Visitor, University of Southern Queensland, Faculty of Business and Law, August 2012

Selected to present paper at 2002 Stanford-Yale Junior Faculty Forum, Law and Humanities category Martin Luther King, Jr. Hall Scholar 2009-2010, 2010-2011, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2014-2015, 2015-16

Grants: UC Center for Collaborative Research for an Equitable California (2012-13) (to fund participatory action research (PAR) involving student outreach and legal assistance to rural communities)

UC Davis Center for Poverty Research Grant 2011-2012 (quantitative research regarding the correlation between poverty rates and child removal rates at the county level)

UC Davis Center for Poverty Research Grant, summers 2012 and 2013, to support undergraduate research assistants; Various UC Davis Travel Grants (2007-2024) and Small Grants in Aid of Research (2008-2024).

**University of Southern Queensland**, Faculty of Business and Law  
*Adjunct Professor* January 2013-present

**Northwestern University School of Law**, Chicago, Illinois  
Visiting Assistant Professor Jan.-May 1999

Courses: international intellectual property, feminist legal theory.

**Covington & Burling**, London, England  
*Associate* Dec. 1996-Dec. 1998

Managed intellectual property policy initiatives and enforcement programs for multi-national software industry clients, with a focus on Southern European and Southern African countries. Liaised with European Community, WIPO, and USTR officials on issues of importance to software industry and assisted with WTO-TRIPs compliance initiatives in various European, Middle Eastern and African markets.

**International Criminal Tribunal-Rwanda**, Kigali, Rwanda  
*Consultant*

Oct.-Nov. 1996

Assisted in the development of a strategy for the investigation and prosecution of sex crimes committed during the 1994 Rwandan genocide; developed protocol to be used by investigators interviewing sexual assault survivors and other witnesses to sexual assault; assisted in the development of guidelines for victim/witness services oriented to sexual assault survivors. I also analyzed the sexual assault evidence against Jean-Paul Akayesu and advocated that the indictment against him be amended to include sex-assault-based counts. In August 1998, the Tribunal convicted Akayesu on counts of both genocide and crimes against humanity for which the acts included sexual assaults.

**Iran-United States Claims Tribunal**, The Hague, The Netherlands  
*Legal Assistant*

Oct. 1993-Oct. 1996

Assisted Judge George H. Aldrich in preparing for hearings and deliberations on complex commercial, property and treaty interpretation cases. Work included drafting bench memoranda and awards in chamber and Full Tribunal cases, legal research and administrative matters.

**University of Amsterdam**, Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
*Lecturer*

Winter Term 1995-96

Designed and taught Commercial Arbitration course for students in the Department of Private International Law.

**Leiden University** Faculty of Law, Leiden, The Netherlands  
*Lecturer*

Winter Term 1995-96

Designed and taught International Litigation course for LL.M. students.

**The Honorable Morris Sheppard Arnold**, Little Rock, Arkansas  
United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit  
*Judicial Clerk*

Oct. 1992-Sept. 1993

**Covington & Burling**, London, England  
*Lawyer (part-time)*

Jan. 1992-Sept. 1992

Researched and drafted various legal documents, including white papers and legislative proposals on European Community, Russian and Eastern European intellectual property laws.

Admitted to Practice, Arkansas, 1989 (voluntarily removed from rolls in March, 2017); District of Columbia, 1992 (retired as of June 2024).

## PUBLICATIONS

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“[Legal Deserts and Spatial Injustice: A Study of Criminal Legal Systems in Rural Washington](#),” 134 YALE LAW JOURNAL FORUM 847 (2025) (invited for symposium on “The Siren Song of Procedure”) (co-authored with Jennifer Sherman and Jennifer Schwartz).

“How Seeing Rural America as a Commons Can (Re)Build Mutual Respect Across the Rural-Urban Divide,” 127 WEST VIRGINIA LAW REVIEW (forthcoming 2025) (invited for a symposium on Ann M. Eisenberg’s [Reviving Rural America: Toward Policies for Resilience](#)).

“[Rural Law and Justice](#),” in RURAL AMERICA IN THE 2020S: SHOCKS, STRESSORS AND SUCCESSES (Shannon Monnat and John Green, eds.) (forthcoming 2025 University of North Carolina Press)

“[Access to Higher Education in New Mexico: Ethnoracial, Geographical and Class Disparities](#),” in SEEING RACE IN RURAL SPACE: RACIALIZED STRUCTURES AND FRAMES IN THE UNITED STATES (Kenneth Robinson, Angie Carter,

Keiko Tanaka and Mark Harvey, eds.) (forthcoming 2025 University of North Carolina Press) (co-authored with Diana E. Flores, Class of 2021)

“[Leveraging Rural Identity to Revive Two-Party Politics in Rural America](#),” in RETHINKING RURAL POLITICS: IDENTITY, IDEOLOGY, AND INTERSECTIONALITY WITHIN RURAL AMERICA (Nicholas Jacobs, ed.) (forthcoming 2025 DeGruyter).

“[The Rural Lawyer Shortage as \(Surprising\) Scholarly Impetus](#),” 69 SOUTH DAKOTA LAW REVIEW 352 (2024) (invited for symposium on 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Project Rural Practice), reprinted in part in [Farm to Firm](#), AALA Newsletter, Oct. 2024.

“Mustering the political will to help left-behind places in a polarized USA,” 17(2) CAMBRIDGE JOURNAL OF REGIONS, ECONOMY AND SOCIETY 407 (2024) <https://doi.org/10.1093/cjres/rsae014> (invited for special issue on Left Behind Places)

“[Fostering First-Generation Student Success in Law School](#),” 75 ALABAMA LAW REVIEW 745 (2024) (co-authored with Nirav Bhardwaj, Class of 2023) (invited for symposium on making legal education more inclusive).

“[Rural Bashing](#),” 57 UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND LAW REVIEW 965 (2023) (co-authored with Kacey Lee Klein, Class of 2025) (symposium on Legal Issues Facing Rural United States).

“[A Survey of Policy Responses to the Rural Attorney Shortage in the United States](#),” pp. 6-25 in RURAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE: AN INTERNATIONAL COLLECTION (Daniel Newman and Faith Gordon, eds.) (Hart Publishing 2023) (co-authored with Kelly V. Beskin, Class of 2021).

“[Investigating Access to Justice, the Rural Lawyer Shortage, and Implications for Civil and Criminal Legal Systems](#),” pp. 67-78 in RESEARCH METHODS FOR RURAL CRIMINOLOGISTS (Ralph Weisheit, Artur Pytlarz, and Jessica Peterson, eds.) (Routledge 2022) (co-authored with Andrew Davies, SMU Deason Center)

Commentary on *Boyles v. Kerr*, in FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: REWRITTEN TORTS OPINIONS (Martha Chamallas & Lucinda Finley, eds.) (Cambridge University Press 2021) (volume collects feminist re-writes of germinal torts decisions).

“[What Hillbilly Elegy Reveals about Race in 21<sup>st</sup> Century America](#),” pp. 105-33 in APPALACHIAN RECKONING: A REGION RESPONDS TO HILLBILLY ELEGY (Anthony Harkins and Meredith McCarroll, eds.) (West Virginia University Press 2019)

- Winner of 2020 American Book Award, Walter & Lillian Lowenfels Criticism Award
- Winner of 2020 Weatherford Award for book best illuminating the challenges, personalities and unique qualities of the Appalachian South
- Pruitt’s essay was praised as “perceptive” in the [New York Times review of the book](#)
- Chapter excerpt republished in [They Say/I Say with Readings](#), 5th ed., edited by Gerald Graff and Cathy Birkenstein.
- Featured on “Working Class Stories,” Reading Women podcast, June 5, 2019.

“States Rights’ and State Wrongs: Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program and Work Requirements in Rural America,” 91 in HOLES IN THE SAFETY NET: FEDERALISM AND POVERTY (Ezra Rosser, ed., Cambridge University Press 2019) (with Rebecca H. Williams).

“To Recognize the Tyranny of Distance: A Spatial Reading of *Whole Woman’s Health v. Hellerstedt*” 51 ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING A: ECONOMY AND SPACE 1105-1127 (2019) (special issue on feminist legal geography) (co-authored with Michele Statz, University of Minnesota, Duluth).

[Legal Deserts: A Multi-State Perspective on Rural Access to Justice](#), 13 Harvard Law and Policy Review 15 (2018) (co-authored with Hannah Haksgaard, Amanda Kool, Lauren Sudeall, Danielle M. Conway and Michele Statz).

*The Women Feminism Forgot: Rural and Working Class White Women in the Era of Trump*, 49 Toledo Law Review 537 (2018) (keynote from symposium, “Gender Equality: Progress and Possibilities”).

*Improving Access to Justice in the Rural Reaches of Southern California*, Los Angeles Lawyer Magazine 26-32 (March 2018) (co-authored with Rebecca H. Williams).

*A Case Study in Rural Community Economic Development: Hill Country Health & Wellness Center*, 26 Journal of Affordable Housing & Community Development Law 73 (2017).

*Protecting People, Protecting Places: What Environmental Litigation Conceals and Reveals about Rurality*, 47 Journal of Rural Studies 326-36 (2016) (co-authored with Linda T. Sobczynski) (special issue on “Rural Dimensions of Environmental Injustice”).

*Welfare Queens and White Trash*, 25 Southern California Interdisciplinary Law Journal 289 (2016) (“Reframing the Welfare Queen” symposium).

*Justice in the Hinterlands: Arkansas As a Case Study for the Rural Lawyer Shortage and Evidence-Based Solutions to Alleviate It*, 37 Univ. of Arkansas Little Rock Law Journal 573 (2015) (co-authored with J. Cliff McKinney and Bart Calhoun), excerpt reprinted in Problems in Professional Responsibility (Kaufman, Wilkins, Swisher & Wald, 6<sup>th</sup> ed. 2017).

*The False Choice between Race and Class and Other Affirmative Action Myths*, 63 Buffalo L. Rev. 981 (2015).

*Who’s Afraid of White Class Migrants? On Denial, Discrediting and Disdain (and Toward a Richer Conception of Diversity)*, 31 Columbia Journal of Gender and Law 196 (2015) (special issue on intersectionality in the professoriate).

“Rural Adolescent Substance Use: Community Causes and Cures,” in International Handbook of Rural Criminology (Joseph F. Donnermeyer, ed., Routledge, 2016) (co-authored with David Gomez).

*Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pennsylvania v. Casey*, in U.S. Feminist Judgments: Re-written Opinions of the United States Supreme Court (Linda Berger, Kathryn Stanichi & Bridget Crawford, eds, Cambridge University Press 2016) (volume collects feminist re-writes of germinal U.S. Supreme Court decisions about gender and women).

*Urbanormativity, Spatial Privilege, and Judicial Blind Spots in Abortion Law*, 30 Berkeley Journal of Gender, Law and Justice 76 (2015) (co-authored with Marta Vanegas), cited by Iowa Supreme Court in *Planned Parenthood of Heartland v. Reynolds Ex Rel State*, No. 17-1579, filed June 29, 2018.

*Acting White? Or Acting Affluent? A Book Review of Carbado & Gulati’s Acting White? Rethinking Race in Post-Racial America*, 18 Journal of Gender, Race & Justice 159 (2015).

*Law Stretched Thin: Access to Justice in Rural America*, 59 South Dakota Law Review 466 (2014) (co-authored with Bradley E. Showman) (“Project Rural Practice” symposium).

*The Rural Lawscape: Space Tames Law Tames Space*, in The Expanding Spaces of Law: A Timely Legal Geography (Nicholas Blomley, Irus Braverman, David Delaney, and Sandy Kedar, eds., Stanford University Press 2014).

*2010: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly*, 80 University of Missouri Kansas City Law Review 821 (2012) (contribution to a collection of reflections by former chairs of the AALS Section on Women in Legal Education).

*CEDAW and Rural Development: Empowering Women with Law from the Top Down, Activism from the Bottom Up*, 41 Baltimore Law Review 263 (2012) (co-authored with Marta R. Vanegas) (“Applying Feminism Globally” symposium).

*Judging Parents, Judging Place: Poverty, Rurality and Termination of Parental Rights*, 77 Missouri Law Review 95 (2012) (co-authored with Janet L. Wallace), cited in

- Report of the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Extreme Poverty and Human Rights on his Mission to the United States, May 4, 2018

- cited by Kansas Supreme Court in *In the Interest of F.C., a Minor Child*, No. 121-536, filed March 19, 2021, dissenting opinion

*The Geography of the Class Culture Wars*, 34 Seattle University Law Review 767 (2011) (colloquy about Joan Williams, Reshaping the Work-Family Debate: Why Men and Class Matter (2010)).

*Human Rights and Development for India's Rural Remnant: A Capabilities-Based Assessment*, 44 U.C. Davis Law Review 803 (2011) ("The Asian Century?" Symposium)

*Deconstructing CEDAW's Article 14: Naming and Explaining Rural Difference*, 17 William & Mary Journal of Women and the Law 347 (2011) (invited), reprinted in Women and the Law (Tracy Thomas ed. 2012).

*Justice Deserts: Spatial Inequality and Local Funding of Indigent Defense*, 52 Arizona Law Review 219 (2010) ("Funding Justice" symposium) (co-authored with Beth A. Colgan).

*How You Gonna' Keep Her Down on the Farm...*, 78 University of Missouri Kansas City Law Review 1085 (2010) ("One-L Revisited" collection), reprinted in Beyond One L: Stories about Finding Meaning and Making a Difference in Law (Nancy Levit & Allen Rostron, ed. 2019)

*Spatial Inequality as Constitutional Infirmity: Equal Protection, Child Poverty, and Place*, 71 Montana Law Review 1 (2010) (symposium on Rural Law).

*Migration, Development, and the Promise of CEDAW for Rural Women*, 30 Michigan Journal of International Law 707 (2009) ("Territories without Boundaries" symposium).

*Latina/os, Locality and Law in the Rural South*, 12 Harvard Latino Law Review 135 (2009), reprinted in Immigration and Nationality Law Review (2010).

*The Forgotten Fifth: Rural Youth and Substance Abuse*, 20 Stanford Law & Policy Review 359 (2009) (symposium on drug policy).

*Gender, Geography & Rural Justice*, 23 Berkeley Journal of Gender, Law & Justice 338 (2008).

*Place Matters: Domestic Violence and Rural Difference*, 23 Wisconsin Journal of Law, Gender & Society 347 (2008) (symposium celebrating 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Feminism and Legal Theory Project).

Rural Families, entry in SLOAN WORK AND FAMILY ENCYCLOPEDIA (2008).

*Missing the Mark: Welfare Reform and Rural Poverty*, 10 Journal of Gender, Race & Justice 439 (2007) (symposium on welfare reform).

*Toward a Feminist Theory of the Rural*, 2007 Utah Law Review 421, reprinted in Women and the Law (Jane Moriarty ed. 2008).

*Rural Rhetoric*, 39 Connecticut Law Review 159 (2006).

*A Kinder, Gentler Law School? Race, Ethnicity, Gender and Legal Education at King Hall*, 38 U.C. Davis Law Review 1929 (2005)

*Her Own Good Name: Two Centuries of Talk about Chastity*, 63 Maryland Law Review 401 (2004)

*"On the Chastity of Women, All Property in the World Depends": Injury from Sexual Slander in the Nineteenth Century*, 78 Indiana Law Journal 965 (2003)

*No Black Names on the Letterhead? Efficient Discrimination in the South African Legal Profession*, 23 Michigan Journal of International Law 545 (2002)

*Law Review Story*, 50 Arkansas Law Review 77 (1997)

Contributing Editor, YEARBOOK OF COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION, Volume XX (1995); Volume XXI (1996)

*A Survey of Feminist Jurisprudence*, 16 University of Arkansas at Little Rock Law Journal 183 (1994)

*Privacy Jurisprudence of the Press Complaints Commission*, 1994 Anglo-American Law Review 133 (with Sir Louis Blom-Cooper QC), reprinted in Freedom of Speech (Eric Barendt ed. 2009)

Book Review, Gender & Bureaucracy, in 3 Business Ethics: A European Journal 71 (1994)

Comment, *The Law of Defamation: An Arkansas Primer*, 42 Arkansas Law Review 915 (1989)

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

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Educated Arrogance: How the Democratic Party Lost Rural America (book manuscript)

“Consuming Newton County: A Short History,” in Mountain Bike Capital: Essays on Cycling, Tourism, and Economic Development in the Arkansas Ozarks (Olivia Paschal and Brendan Thomas, eds., University of Oklahoma Press, forthcoming 2026).

## POLICY BRIEFS AND SHORT WORKS

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“The Role of Technology in Enhancing Rural Access to Justice,” California Commission on Access to Justice, June, 2020, <https://calatj.egnyte.com/dl/IQZvsCSVyv> (co-authored with Zach Newman for the Rural Access Committee).

“In Housing Crisis, Californians Need Greater Legal Protections and Access to Legal Aid,” UC Davis Center for Poverty Research, California Commission on Access to Justice, and Rural Sociological Society, December 2019, <https://poverty.ucdavis.edu/post/housing-crisis-rural-californians-need-greater-legal-protections-and-access-legal-aid> (with Zach Newman).

“California’s Rural Housing Crisis: The Access to Justice Implications,” California Commission on Access to Justice, December 2019, <https://calatj.egnyte.com/dl/ObYNFrIrzK> (co-authored with Zach Newman for the Rural Access Committee)

“California Attorney Deserts: Access to Justice Implications of the Rural Lawyer Shortage,” California Commission on Access to Justice, July 2019, <https://calatj.egnyte.com/dl/n9WBIP9IdN/> (co-authored with Zach Newman for the Rural Access Committee)

“Disasters in Rural California: The Impact on Access to Justice,” California Commission on Access to Justice, July 2019, <https://calatj.egnyte.com/dl/isbLQpuZbd/> (co-authored with Zach Newman, for the Rural Access Committee)

Case Study based on *In re Bow*, Chapter 5 (Changing Gender Roles and Rural Poverty), RURAL POVERTY IN THE UNITED STATES 133 (Ann Tickamyer, Jennifer Sherman & Jennifer Warlick, Columbia University Press, 2017).

Discussion Guide for educational institution screenings of “The Uncondemned,” documentary film about the first prosecution of rape as a war crime, <http://www.filmat11.tv/theuncondemned/> (co-authored with Elizabeth S. Topolosky) Produced by Peace is Loud (2017).

“Access to Justice in Rural Arkansas,” Arkansas Access to Justice Commission, March, 2015 (co-authored with J. Cliff McKinney II, Juliana Fehrenbacher and Amy Dunn Johnson)

“Abortion Provider Restrictions Create an Unconstitutional Burden on Poor Rural Women,” UC Davis Center for Poverty Research, Fall, 2015.

## SELECT TEACHING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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Presenter, “Supporting the Student Scholar,” Section on Law Libraries and Legal Information and Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning and Research, AALS, San Francisco, January 10, 2025.

Presenter, “Fostering First-Generation Student Success in Law School,” Berkeley Center for Comparative Equality and Anti-Discrimination Law, June 10, 2024 (remote, with Nirav Bhardwaj)

Panelist, “First Gen Graduate and Professional Students,” UC Wide Virtual First-Gen Symposium, January 19, 2024.

Panelist, “Making the Legal Profession Accessible to the Entire Population,” University of Alabama Law Review Symposium, “Alabama Law: The 50/150 Anniversaries, Our History, Our Future,” Tuscaloosa, Alabama, February 24, 2023.

Center for Educational Effectiveness, First-Gen Faculty Learning Community, 2018-2019

“Blogging with Students,” invited panelist, Innovative Teaching, Summer Institute on Teaching and Technology, Davis, California, September 13, 2013.

“Blogging as a Tool for Teaching Critical Thinking and Writing,” Pedagogy Series, Salmon P. Chase College of Law, Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, Kentucky, March 27, 2009 (invited).

## BLOGS

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Legal Ruralism: A Little (Legal) Realism about the Rural, <http://legalruralism.blogspot.com> (since fall 2008); students in Law and Rural Livelihoods also blog here during semesters when course is taught.

Contributing Blogger:

ClassCrits, <http://classcrits.wordpress.com>

Concurring Opinions (terminated as of December 31, 2018)

Agricultural Law, <http://aglaw.blogspot.com>

Society of American Law Teachers, <http://SALTlaw.org/blog>

UC Davis Faculty Blog, <http://facultyblog.law.ucdavis.edu/>

IntLawGrrls, <http://intlwgrrls.com>

## OTHER MEDIA

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Guest, *Democrats CAN Reach Rural Voters*, Inside Sources with Boyd Matheson, KSL News Radio, Salt Lake City, August 12, 2022, <https://omny.fm/shows/inside-sources-with-boyd-matheson/how-democrats-can-reach-rural-voters-with-professo>.

Guest, *Abused, then executed: the life of Lisa Montgomery*, “Lifelines” podcast produced by Laura Brainwood, July 27, 2021, episode 1, <https://lifelines-uk.org.uk/the-lifelines-podcast-episode-1-lisa-montgomery/>

Guest, *Murderer’s Row: We’re in the Vortex*, “Cocktail Conversations” podcast, January 20, 2021, <https://www.thecocktailconversations.com/episodes-1/murderers-row-were-in-the-vortex>

“Legal Deserts: A Conversation with Lisa Pruitt,” Talks on Law, Titans in Law Series (Parts I and II), December 28, 2020, <https://www.talksonlaw.com/talks/legal-deserts>.

Panelist for “Legal Deserts in America,” webinar presented by the American Bar Association exploring the impact of legal deserts in America and what can be done about them, July 28, 2020

<https://www.americanbar.org/content/dam/aba/administrative/news/2020/07/legal-deserts-in-america.pdf>

Guest, *The Value Gap*, “Cocktail Conversations” podcast produced by Michele Mitchell, Summer 2020, episode on Title IX?

“Downstream People,” 2017 documentary short about the siting of an industrial hog farm in a persistent poverty county in the Arkansas Ozarks, events that are the subject of Lisa Pruitt & Linda Sobczynski, “*Protecting People, Protecting Places: What Environmental Litigation Conceals and Reveals about Rurality*,” 47 *Journal of Rural Studies* 326-36 (2016).

“The Uncondemned,” 2016 documentary film about the first prosecution of rape as a war crime, against Jean-Paul Akayesu, a case on which Lisa Pruitt served as gender consultant in 1996, <http://www.filmat11.tv/theuncondemned/>, available on amazon.com.

## OCCASIONAL PIECES

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“Stop with the rural bashing on campuses,” *Inside Higher Ed*, Sept. 11, 2024, <https://www.insidehighered.com/opinion/views/2024/09/11/stop-rural-bashing-campus-opinion> (with Emelie Peine)

“With plenty of urban folks bashing rural folks and vice versa, what’s the goal?,” *MinnPost*, October 19, 2022, <https://www.minnpost.com/community-voices/2022/10/with-plenty-of-urban-folks-bashing-rural-folks-and-vice-versa-whats-the-goal/>

“John Fetterman Went Full-On Rural in the Pennsylvania Primary,” *Daily Yonder*, August 16, 2022, <https://dailyyonder.com/commentary-john-fetterman-went-full-on-rural-in-the-pennsylvania-primary/2022/08/16/>.

“John Fetterman is Running a Test that Democrats Need to Watch,” *Politico Magazine*, August 9, 2022, <https://www.politico.com/news/magazine/2022/08/09/john-fetterman-tries-to-lure-rural-voters-00050352>.

“What Republicans Know (and Democrats Don’t) About the White Working Class,” *Politico Magazine*, June 24, 2022, <https://www.politico.com/news/magazine/2022/06/24/democrats-white-working-class-00041807>, featured in “21 Stories that Explain an Insane Year in American Politics,” *Politico Magazine*, December 25, 2022, <https://www.politico.com/news/magazine/2022/12/25/22-stories-explain-2022-524688>

“Book Review, *Gunfight: My Battle Against the Industry that Radicalized America*,” *Daily Yonder*, October 26, 2021, <https://dailyyonder.com/review-gunfight-my-battle-against-the-industry-that-radicalized-america/2021/10/26/>.

“Analysis: A Silver Lining for Rural America in the Supreme Court’s Voting-Rights Decision?” *Daily Yonder*, July 21, 2021, <https://dailyyonder.com/analysis-the-silver-lining-for-rural-america-in-the-supreme-courts-voting-rights-decision/2021/07/21/> (co-authored with Ezera Miller-Walfish)

Essay, “5 ways Biden can help rural America thrive and bridge the rural-urban divide,” *The Conversation*, January 21, 2021, <https://theconversation.com/5-ways-biden-can-help-rural-america-thrive-and-bridge-the-rural-urban-divide-150610> (co-authored with Ann Eisenberg and Jessica Shoemaker).

Re-published by

- *Business Insider*, January 23, 2021, <https://www.businessinsider.com/five-ways-rural-america-can-thrive-under-the-biden-administration>
- *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, January 21, 2021, [https://www.stltoday.com/opinion/columnists/5-ways-biden-can-help-rural-america-thrive-and-bridge-the-rural-urban-divide/article\\_683b29da-642f-5615-a872-cfc54a79fd97.html](https://www.stltoday.com/opinion/columnists/5-ways-biden-can-help-rural-america-thrive-and-bridge-the-rural-urban-divide/article_683b29da-642f-5615-a872-cfc54a79fd97.html).
- *Houston Chronicle*, January 21, 2021, <https://www.chron.com/news/article/5-ways-Biden-can-help-rural-America-thrive-and-15887109.php>.
- *Idaho Tribune*, January 21, 2021, [https://www.idahopress.com/opinion/conversation/5-ways-biden-can-help-rural-america-thrive-and-bridge-the-rural-urban-divide/article\\_0ff23fa7-0006-51ca-a786-a8ff4fa86220.html](https://www.idahopress.com/opinion/conversation/5-ways-biden-can-help-rural-america-thrive-and-bridge-the-rural-urban-divide/article_0ff23fa7-0006-51ca-a786-a8ff4fa86220.html)
- One of the Aspen Institute’s “Five Best Ideas of the Day,” January 28, 2021.

Book Review, *Grounded: A Senator’s Lessons on Winning Back Rural America*, by Senator Jon Tester (with Aaron Murphy), *Daily Yonder*, January 12, 2021, <https://dailyyonder.com/book-review-grounded-by-jon-tester/2021/01/12/>.



Essay, “The chattering classes got the ‘Hillbilly Elegy’ book wrong – and they’re getting the movie wrong, too,” *The Conversation*, December 3, 2020, [https://theconversation.com/the-chattering-classes-got-the-hillbilly-elegy-book-wrong-and-theyre-getting-the-movie-wrong-too-150937#comment\\_2405640](https://theconversation.com/the-chattering-classes-got-the-hillbilly-elegy-book-wrong-and-theyre-getting-the-movie-wrong-too-150937#comment_2405640);

Re-published by

- Salon.com, December 5, 2020, [https://www.salon.com/2020/12/04/the-chattering-classes-got-the-hillbilly-elegy-book-wrongand-theyre-getting-the-movie-wrong-too\\_partner/](https://www.salon.com/2020/12/04/the-chattering-classes-got-the-hillbilly-elegy-book-wrongand-theyre-getting-the-movie-wrong-too_partner/)
- The Houston Chronicle, December 3, 2020, <https://www.chron.com/news/article/The-chattering-classes-got-the-Hillbilly-Elegy-15772147.php>
- The Chicago Tribune, December 10, 2020, <https://www.chicagotribune.com/opinion/commentary/ct-opinion-hillbilly-elegy-jd-vance-movie-20201210-cvgey2qxnjggrcamm2fjd4tdu-story.html>
- The Daily Yonder, December 5, 2020, <https://dailyyonder.com/commentary-critics-love-the-book-hate-the-movie-what-gives-with-hillbilly-elegy/2020/12/04/>.

Op-Ed “Rural California suffers a painful shortage of lawyers.” *Daily Journal*, July 27, 2020, available at <https://www.dailyjournal.com/articles/358775-rural-california-suffers-a-painful-shortage-of-lawyers> (with Kelly V. Beskin, Class of 2021)

Op-Ed, “How quickly we forget: Of fathers and essential workers,” *CalMatters.org*, June 21, 2020, <https://calmatters.org/commentary/my-turn/2020/06/how-quickly-we-forget-of-fathers-and-essential-workers/>.

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## EDUCATION

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University of London (University College London)

PhD (Laws) 1997

Honors: British Marshall Scholar (1989-92)

Thesis: “A Feminist Reconsideration of the Legal Regulation of Speech”

University of Arkansas, School of Law

Juris Doctorate, May 1989

High Honors

*Arkansas Law Review*, Editor-in-chief, 1988-89; member, 1987-88

Robert A. Leflar Fellow, 1986-89 (highest LSAT and GPA in entering class)

UA School of Law, Presidential Scholarship, 1988-89 (highest GPA after 2d year)

UA National Moot Court Team 1988-89

University of Arkansas, J. William Fulbright College of Arts & Sciences

Bachelor of Arts in Journalism, May 1986, *Summa Cum Laude*, for thesis and overall program

First-ranked Senior Scholar (university valedictorian)

Phi Beta Kappa Member and Scholar of the Year, 1986

UA Alumni Citation for most outstanding female graduate (university wide), 1986

Associated Student Government Vice President 1985-86

Editor-in-Chief, *1985 Razorback*

Thesis: "A Survey of State Court Decisions Determining a Post-*Gertz* Standard of Liability for Private-Plaintiff Libel Cases"

#### KEYNOTE ADDRESSES/FEATURED SPEAKER

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"Mending the Rural-Urban Rift," Westminster Town Hall Forum, Minneapolis, Minnesota, October 25, 2022, <https://westminsterforum.org/forum/mending-the-rural-urban-rift/> (in-person and online appearance; broadcast on Minnesota Public Radio in December 2022)

"What Hillbilly Elegy Reveals about Race in 21<sup>st</sup> Century America," University of Missouri School of Law, One Read of Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis, Columbia, Missouri, October 15, 2019.

"On Valuing Rural," Ensuring Equal Access to Justice in Maine's Rural Communities Symposium, University of Maine School of Law and Colby College, Waterville, Maine, April 26, 2019.

"Why Rural? (Or, On Being a Ruralist)," Rural Sociology Graduate Student Conference, Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pennsylvania, November 1, 2018.

"Rural Access to Justice in the Golden State," Rural Legal Access Summit, San Joaquin College of Law, Clovis, California, October 12, 2018.

"On Advocating for Rural and Working Class Whites in the Trump Era," Appalachian Justice Symposium, West Virginia University College of Law, Morgantown, West Virginia, February 23, 2018.

"The Women Feminism Forgot: Rural and Working-Class White Women in the Age of Trump," Toledo Law Review Symposium on Gender Equality: Progress & Possibilities, University of Toledo, Ohio, October 13, 2017.

"Why Rural? (Or, on Being a Ruralist)," Life and Law in Rural America: Cows, Cars and Criminals," Princeton University, American Studies Graduate Student Conference, Princeton, New Jersey, March 25, 2016.

"On Being (and Doing) Rural in Metro-Centric Times," Eccles Family Conference on the Rural West, Stanford University Bill Lane Center for the American West and University of Montana, Missoula, Montana, March 18, 2016.

"Law Stretched Thin: Access to Justice in Rural America," luncheon speaker, "Project Rural Practice Symposium," University of South Dakota School of Law, Vermillion, South Dakota, March 21, 2014 (with Bradley E. Showman).

"The Legal Relevance of Rurality," Rural/Regional Law and Justice Conference, Warrnambool, Australia, November 20, 2010.

"Spatial Inequality as Constitutional Infirmity? The Promise of Montana's Constitution for Poor Children," Rural Law Symposium, Montana Law Review, Missoula, Montana, April 8, 2009.

## PRESENTATIONS

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Presenter, “Consuming Newton County: A Short History,” Ozark Studies Association, Cane Hill, Arkansas, April 4, 2025.

Presenter, “How Seeing Rural America as a Commons Can (Re)Build Mutual Respect Across the Rural-Urban Divide,” West Virginia University College of Law Symposium, “Rural Appalachia: Perspectives and Solutions for Issues Facing Rural Americans,” Morgantown, West Virginia, March 28, 2025.

Presenter, “Supporting the Student Scholar,” Section on Law Libraries and Legal Information and Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning and Research, AALS Annual Meeting, San Francisco, January 10, 2025.

Discussant, “Generating Legal Demand,” New Voices in Poverty Law, AALS Annual Meeting, San Francisco, January 8, 2025.

Presenter, “The Rural Attorney Shortage, Spatial Inequality, and Criminal Legal Systems: A Study from Washington,” University of Iowa College of Law, Iowa City, Iowa, November 15, 2024.

Guest Lecture, “Legal Ruralism,” UC Davis School of Medicine, Rural PRIME students, Sacramento, California, November 12, 2024..

Panelist, “Voices from the Heartland,” UC Berkeley, Social Sciences Matrix, Berkeley, California, October 21, 2024.

Presenter, “Legal Deserts,” Baum Symposium on Legal Ethics, Drake University Law School, Des Moines, Iowa, October 18, 2024.

Organizer and Moderator, Author-Meets-Reader Session on Reviving Rural America by Ann Eisenberg, Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, July 27, 2024

Organizer and Moderator, Author-Meets-Reader Session on The Rural Voter by Nicholas Jacobs and Daniel Shea, Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, July 26, 2024

Presenter, “The Implications of Legal Deserts for Rural Criminal Justice: Evidence from Eastern Washington,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, July 25, 2024

Presenter, “The Rural Lawyer Shortage as (Surprising!) Scholarly Impetus,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, July 25, 2024

Presenter, “Fostering First-Generation Student Success in Law School,” Berkeley Center for Comparative Equality and Anti-Discrimination Law, June 10, 2024 (remote, with Nirav Bhardwaj)

Panelist, “The Racial Politics of Demon Copperhead,” for panel on “Barbara Kingsolver’s Demon Copperhead,” ClassCrits Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, California, February 9, 2024.

Panelist, “First Gen Graduate and Professional Students,” UC Wide Virtual First-Gen Symposium, January 19, 2024.

Panelist, “Legal Deserts: An Overview of the Rural Lawyer Shortage,” National Legal Aid and Defender Association, Annual Meeting, Oakland, California, Nov. 9, 2023.

Panelist, “Rural Bashing” for panel on “How the Left Helps the Right,” Diploma Divide Working Group, UC Law San Francisco, California, Nov. 6, 2023.

Panelist, “Teaching and Scholarship,” Rural Lawyers, University of South Dakota, Knudson School of Law, Vermillion, South Dakota, Sept. 22, 2023.

Moderator, “Rural Community and Attorney Data,” Rural Lawyers, University of South Dakota, Knudson School of Law, Vermillion, South Dakota, Sept. 22, 2023.

Panelist, “How Other States and Industries Draw Talent to Rural Areas,” Rural Lawyers, University of South Dakota, Knudson School of Law, Vermillion, South Dakota, Sept. 21, 2023.

Panelist, “Access to Higher Education in New Mexico: Ethnoracial, Geographic and Class Disparities,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Burlington, Vermont, August 4, 2023.

Moderator, “Unpacking Ideological and Material Meanings of Whiteness in PWIs, Farming and Video Games,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Burlington, Vermont, August 4, 2023.

Panelist, “Engaging with Law and Policy,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Burlington, Vermont, August 3, 2023

Presenter, “Rural Bashing,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Burlington, Vermont, August 3, 2023 (with Kacey Lee Klein)

Presenter, “California’s Legal Deserts,” San Luis Obispo County Bar Association, May 18, 2023 (remote).

Panelist, “Negotiating International Careers,” University of Arkansas Model United Nations, Fayetteville, Arkansas, April 29, 2023.

Panelist, “Making the Legal Profession Accessible to the Entire Population,” University of Alabama Law Review Symposium, “Alabama Law: The 50/150 Anniversaries, Our History, Our Future,” Tuscaloosa, Alabama, February 24, 2023.

Presenter, “Rural Bashing,” University of Richmond Law Review Symposium, “Overlooked America: Legal Issues Facing Rural United States,” Richmond, Virginia, February 17, 2023.

Guest Lecture, “Legal Ruralism,” UC Davis School of Medicine, Rural PRIME students, Sacramento, California, January 6, 2023.

Presenter, “Rural Bashing,” Law and Rurality 2022, University of Nebraska College of Law, Rural Reconciliation Project, Lincoln, Nebraska, Oct. 21, 2022.

Organizer and Participant, “Rural America: Powerful or Powerless?” Rural Sociology Annual Meeting, August 6, 2022 (remote appearance).

Presenter, “Legal Deserts: The Rural Attorney Shortage,” Rural Justice Task Force, Legal Services Corporation, March 17, 2022 (remote appearance).

Presenter, “Disability Law and Rurality,” Incubator Session, Law and Rurality Workshop, University of Nebraska College of Law and University of South Dakota Knudson School of Law, October 29, 2021 (remote appearance, with Doron Dorfman, co-presenter).

Commenter, “Mapping the Justice Gap in Federal Court” by Roger Michalski and Andrew Hammond, Law and Rurality Workshop, University of Nebraska College of Law and University of South Dakota Knudson School of Law, October 29, 2021 (remote appearance).

Panelist, Author-Meets-Readers Session with Jennifer Sherman, Dividing Paradise: Rural Inequality and the Diminishing American Dream (2021), Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, July 30, 2021 (remote appearance).

Panelist, “Sharing Research with Broader Audiences,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, July 30, 2021 (remote appearance).

Speaker, “Legal Deserts in America: What Is Meaningful Access to Justice for All?” American Association of Law Libraries Virtual Conference, July 22, 2021.

Discussant, “Law in Liminal Spaces,” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, May 28, 2021(remote appearance).

Discussant, “Using Data and Collaboration to Address Growth in Jail Incarceration in Rural America: Initial Findings from the Rural Jails Policy and Research Network,” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, May 28, 2021 (remote appearance).

Panelist, “Access to Justice in Rural California,” Legal Aid Association of California's 2021 Technology Summit, March 26, 2021 (remote appearance).

Speaker, “Op-Eds 101: How to Expand Your Reach & Impact,” UC Davis Office of Research, March 3, 2021 (remote appearance).

Speaker, “Legal Deserts and Rural Access to Justice,” Sixth District Court of Appeals, San Jose, California, February 24, 2021 (remote appearance).

Speaker, “Road to Ruralism,” Rural Reconciliation Project, University of Nebraska College of Law, January 27, 2021 (remote appearance).

Panelist for webinar, “Priorities and Policies of the Biden Administration,” UC Davis Center for Poverty Research, January 22, 2021 (remote appearance).

Panelist for webinar, “Greening the Desert: Strategies to Recruit, Train, and Retain Criminal Law Practitioners for STAR Communities,” Deason Center for Criminal Justice Reform, SMU Dedman School of Law, September 16, 2020 (remote appearance).

Panelist, American Bar Association’s online program on legal deserts, 2020 Profile of the Legal Profession, July 28, 2020 (remote appearance).

Guest Lecturer, Prof. Aysha Bodenhamer’s “Appalachian Studies” Seminar, Radford University, April 14, 2020 (remote appearance).

Guest Lecturer, Prof. Emily Prifogle’s “Law in Rural America” Seminar, University of Michigan School of Law, March 26, 2020 (remote appearance).

Guest Lecturer, Amanda Kool’s “Legal Practice and Access to Justice in Rural America” Seminar, Harvard Law School, February 25, 2020 (remote appearance).

Presenter, “Criminal Justice Implications of the Rural Lawyer Shortage,” American Society of Criminology, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, November 14, 2019.

Capstone Commentator, “Rural Innovation, Implementation, and Collaboration,” Deason Center’s Rural Criminal Justice Summit, SMU Dedman School of Law, Dallas, Texas, October 17, 2019.

Presenter, “Strategies for Alleviating the Rural Lawyer Shortage: Lessons from California to Maine,” panel on Rural Access to Justice (Rural Lawline as Rural Lifeline), Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Richmond Virginia, August 10, 2019.

Round Table, “Law and Rurality,” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., June 1, 2019.

Presenter, “Evolving Rhetoric Regarding Race and Politics: The Rise of the R-Word,” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., June 1, 2019.

Panelist, “Sustaining Rurality as a Sustainability Strategy,” on “Rural Resilience” panel, Fifth Annual Sustainability Conference of American Legal Education, Arizona State University, Phoenix, Arizona, May 10, 2019.

Panelist, “National Panel on Access to Justice Issues,” Ensuring Equal Access to Justice in Maine’s Rural Communities Symposium, University of Maine School of Law and Colby College, Waterville, Maine, April 26, 2019.

Panelist, “White Fragility Under Law,” 4<sup>th</sup> National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, American University Washington College of Law, Washington, D.C., March 22, 2019 (remote appearance).

Author, Roundtable, “Appalachian Reckoning: A Region Responds to *Hillbilly Elegy*,” 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Appalachian Studies Conference, University of North Carolina Asheville, Asheville, North Carolina, March 16, 2019.

“Human Rights & Sustainable Development for India’s Rural Remnant,” Law and Sustainable Development Conference, UC Davis School of Law, January 25, 2019.

Presenter, Critical Perspectives on First-Year Courses, Torts, Aoki Center on Race and Nations, UC Davis School of Law, January 17, 2019.

Moderator, Opening Plenary, Rural Criminal Justice Summit, Deason Center for Criminal Justice Reform, SMU Dedman School of Law, Dallas, Texas, November 29, 2018.

“Reframing Whiteness,” Faculty Lunch Talk, Pennsylvania State University School of Law, State College, Pennsylvania, November 1, 2018.

“Rural Access to Justice in the Golden State,” UC Davis LawXDesign group, UC Davis School of Law, Davis, California, October 29, 2018.

Panel Moderator, Lunchtime Discussion, *Bakke* at 40: Diversity, Difference & Doctrine, UC Davis Law Review Symposium (Volume 52), UC Davis School of Law, Davis, California, October 26, 2018.

“The Future of *Roe v. Wade*: Assessing Reproductive Rights at the Intersection of Law and Medicine,” panelist, event co-sponsored by If/When/How: Law Students for Reproductive Justice and Medical Students for Choice, UC Davis Medical School, Sacramento, California, October 10, 2018.

“The Women Feminism Forgot: Rural and Working-Class White Women in the Era of Trump,” Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Portland, Oregon, July 28, 2018.

Presenter, “Rural Poverty and Access to Justice in California” for panel on “Rural Poverty in Western Place and Space,” Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Portland, Oregon, July 27, 2018.

Panel Organizer and Moderator, “Best of the West: How the Rural West is Different,” Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Portland, Oregon, July 27, 2018.

“The False Choice Between Race and Class,” invited presentation at “The Civil War at 150 Years: Deep Wounds Yet to Heal,” sponsored by the Carnegie Foundation, convened at Point of View Retreat Center, Lorton, Virginia, June 30, 2018.

“States’ Rights and State Wrongs: SNAP and Medicaid Work Requirements in Rural America,” Poverty States: Federalism, Rights, and State Anti-Poverty Efforts, American University Washington College of Law, Washington, D.C., March 24, 2018 (with Rebecca H. Williams, Class of 2019).

Poster: “SNAP and Medicaid Work Requirements State by State,” Rural Poverty, Fifty Years After The People Left Behind—A Research Conference. RUPRI Conference, Washington, D.C., March 22, 2018.

“Space, Time, and Policing in Rural America,” Rural Criminology PhD Class, West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia, February 22, 2018.

“The Interdependence of Rural and Urban Economies and Livelihoods,” Texas A&M University School of Law’s Real Property Law Roundtable, Fort Worth, Texas (remote), February 2, 2018.



Q & A for “The Uncondemned” (documentary film about first prosecution of rape as genocide), at University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law, Sacramento, California, January 27, 2018.

“The Rural Attorney Shortage in California and How Enhanced LRAP Programs Could Alleviate It,” Annual Meeting for the Board of Trustees of the State Bar of California, Los Angeles, California, January 26, 2018.

“What’s at Stake for Rural America?” A Unique Approach to Access to Justice: Training Lawyers Ready to Serve, AALS 2018, San Diego, California, January 5, 2018.

“What Hillbilly Elegy Teaches Us about Race in 21st Century America,” ClassCritsX, Tulane University School of Law, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 10, 2017.

Q & A for "The Uncondemned," documentary about the first prosecution of rape as genocide, in which Professor Pruitt appears, Indiana University Maurer School of Law, Bloomington, Indiana, Nov. 5, 2017.

“Access to Justice Challenges in Rural California,” Invited Speaker, Legal Services of Northern California All-Staff Retreat, Davis, California, October 3, 2017.

“Rural Poverty in Community Context,” Geography of Opportunity Annual Poverty Research and Policy Forum convened by the Institute for Research on Poverty, in conjunction with the U.S. Collaborative of Poverty Centers’ Poverty and Geography Network, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Washington, D.C., September 26, 2017. Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Human Services Policy, Assistant Secretary of Planning and Evaluation.

“Criminal Law & Torts,” Aoki Center for Critical Race & Nation Studies, Critical Perspectives on First Year Classes speaker series, UC Davis School of Law, Davis, California, August 31, 2017.

“Time, Space and Policing in Rural America,” 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Rural Sociological Society, Columbus, Ohio, July 30, 2017.

“Recalibrating the Legal Market: Addressing the Glut of Lawyers in Cities and the Dearth of Lawyers Everywhere Else,” 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Rural Sociological Society, Columbus, Ohio, July 28, 2017 (with Amanda Kool).

“To Recognize the Tyranny of Distance: A Spatial Reading of Whole Women’s Health v. Hellerstedt,” 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Rural Sociological Society, Columbus, Ohio, July 28, 2017 (with Michele Statz).

“The Geography of the Class Culture Wars: Reflections on Rurality in the 2008 Election,” 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Rural Sociological Society, Columbus, Ohio, July 28, 2017.

Discussion Participant, “Legal Geography: What is it Good For?” International Meeting on Law and Society, Mexico City, June 22, 2017.

Author, “Feminist Judgements: Rewritten Opinions of the United States Supreme Court,” International Meeting on Law and Society, Mexico City, June 22, 2017.

Discussion Chair, “Legal Geography of Urban Spaces,” International Meeting on Law and Society, Mexico City, June 22, 2017.

“A Spatial Reading of Whole Woman’s Health v. Hellerstedt: Recognizing the Tyranny of Distance,” International Meeting on Law and Society, Mexico City, June 21, 2017.

“What Hillbilly Elegy Teaches Us about a Fragmented America,” Case Western Reserve University School of Law, Faculty Workshop, March 21, 2017.

Panelist, “Cultivating Empathy,” Section on Women in Legal Education, AALS 2017, San Francisco, California, January 5, 2017.

Discussion Group Participant, “Community Economic Development: Does Law Matter?,” AALS 2017, San Francisco, California, January 4, 2017.

“Class Migrations,” A Workshop on Vulnerability on Legal Migrations, Vulnerability, and Resilience. Vulnerability and the Human Condition Project, Emory University School of Law, Atlanta, Georgia, December 10, 2016.

“Prescription Drug Overdoses and Rising Mortality Rates: A Reflection of Despair,” Inaugural Symposium on Advancing Pain Relief, UC Davis Health System, Sacramento, California, November 30, 2016.

“Space and Time in Abortion Litigation,” Royal Geographical Society Annual International Meeting, stream on feminist legal geography, London, United Kingdom, September 2, 2016.

“Protecting People, Protecting Places: What Environmental Litigation Reveals and Conceals about Rurality,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Toronto, August 10, 2016.

“Justice in the Hinterlands: Arkansas as a Case Study for the Rural Lawyer Shortage and Evidence-Based Solutions to Alleviate It,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Toronto, August 10, 2016.

“Rural Poverty in the U.S.A.: Legal Implications of Rural Poverty for Single Mothers,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Toronto, August 9, 2016.

“How the RSS Addresses Social Class in 60 Minutes,” Plenary panelist, Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, August 8, 2016.

“The Akayesu Case and the Making of ‘The Uncondemned,’” League of Women Voters of Sacramento County, Annual Meeting, Featured Speaker, June 2, 2016.

“The Rwandan Genocide and the First Conviction of Rape as a War Crime,” Pre-Law Students Association and King Hall International Law Students, part of “Let’s Talk about Sexual Assault” series at UC Davis, April 6, 2016.

“Urbanormativity, Spatial Privilege, and Judicial Blindspots in Abortion Law,” American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, San Francisco, April 2, 2016.

“Some Political and Policy Pitfalls of the Persistent ‘Race versus Class’ Debate,” Aoki Center for Race and Nations, UC Davis School of Law, Seminar Series, Davis, California, March 8, 2016.

“Some Policy Implications of the Persistent ‘Race v. Class’ Debate,” Poverty Law Conference: Academic Activism, University of Seattle, Seattle, Washington, February 19, 2016.

“Latent (and Patent) Dimensions of Race, Gender, Sexuality, Class and Geography in Tort Law,” luncheon speaker, Aoki Center for the Study of Race & Nations Program on Critical Perspectives on First-Year Courses, University of California, Davis, School of Law, Davis, California, February 2, 2016.

“Rwanda: Four Women who Stood Up for Justice and the Attorneys Who Won Their Case,” Frost Foundation Lecture for Global Issues, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 21, 2016.

“Empowering Women: Confronting Sexual Violence in War,” British Consulate Program for UK’s Foreign and Commonwealth Week of Women, San Francisco, California, Oct. 27, 2015.

“Addressing ‘The Divide’—‘If You Cannot Afford One ...’ Access to Legal Counsel in the Age of Inequality, panelist for Campus and Community Book Project about The Divide: American Injustice in the Age of the Wealth Gap, UC Davis School of Law, Davis California, Oct. 21, 2015.

“Investigating Rape as a War Crime,” Premiere of “The Uncondemned,” Kigali, Rwanda, June 15, 2015.

“Illustrating Rural Vulnerability in Constitutional Litigation,” Annual Meeting, Law and Society Association, Seattle, Washington, May 29, 2015.

“How A Million (Rural, Poor) Texas Women Became Constitutionally Irrelevant,” Reframing the Welfare Queen Symposium, University of Southern California, Gould School of Law, April 24, 2015.

“Geographic Disparities in Access to Justice: The Arkansas Experience,” University of Arkansas School of Law, Fayetteville, Arkansas, April 9, 2015.

“The Strange and Erratic Career of Socioeconomic Disadvantage as ‘Diversity’ in Higher Education,” Aoki Center on Race and Nations Colloquium Series, UC Davis School of Law, April 7, 2015.

“Critical Perspectives on Tort Law,” luncheon speaker, Aoki Center for the Study of Race & Nations Program on Critical Perspectives on First-Year Courses, University of California, Davis, School of Law, Davis, California, March 17, 2015.

“Urbanormativity, Spatial Privilege, and Judicial Blind Spots in Abortion Law,” UC Davis Faculty Colloquium, Davis, California, February 25, 2015.

“Access to Justice in Rural Arkansas: A National Perspective and Some New Data,” Access to Justice Symposium, University of Arkansas, Little Rock, Bowen School of Law, February 6, 2015.

“Urbanormativity, Spatial Privilege, and Judicial Blind Spots in Abortion Law,” Law Students for Reproductive Justice, UC Davis School of Law, Davis, California, January 23, 2015.

“Acting White? Or Acting Affluent? A Review of Acting White? Rethinking Race in Post-Racial America,” ClassCrits VIII, Davis, California, November 15, 2014.

“Illustrating Poverty in Constitutional Litigation,” Relational Poverty Conference, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, Oct. 10, 2014.

“Reassessing the Value of Whiteness as Property,” UCLA Critical Race Theory Conference, Los Angeles, California, October 4, 2014.

“Urbanormativity, Spatial Privilege, and Judicial Blind Spots in Abortion Law,” panelist, “The Damage of Urbanormativity,” Rural Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, August 3, 2014.

“Law Stretched Thin: Access to Justice in Rural America,” panelist, Environmental Injustice in Rural America, Rural Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, August 2, 2014.

“Child Labor in Context: Groundwork,” moderator, “Confronting Child Labor in Global Agricultural Supply Chains,” University of California, Davis, School of Law, April 4, 2014.

“Edwards v. California (1941)” panelist “The Joads: Where They Came From, Where They Were Going” in Symposium Commemorating the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of publication of John Steinbeck’s The Grapes of Wrath, University of California, Davis, March 7, 2014.

“Critical Perspectives on Tort Law,” luncheon speaker, Aoki Center for the Study of Race & Nations Program on Critical Perspectives on First-Year Courses, University of California, Davis, School of Law, Davis, California, Feb. 11, 2014.

“The Role of Family in Class Mobility,” panelist, “Inequality, Capitalism and the Family,” AALS, New York, NY, January 5, 2014.

“Student Debt and Default: Reframing the Politics, Practices and Possibilities,” commentator, ClassCrits VI, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, November 16, 2013.

“Why We Can’t/Don’t/Won’t (But Should) Talk about Working Class Whites (and Poor Ones, Too), panelist, “Complicating Race,” ClassCrits VI, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, November 15, 2013.

“Plenary: Poverty and Race,” panelist, Poverty Law: Cases, Teaching and Scholarship,” American University, Washington College of Law, Washington, DC, October 26, 2013.

“A Pedagogical Experiment in Rural Community Advocacy,” panelist, “Poverty Law: Cases, Teaching and Scholarship,” American University, Washington College of Law, Washington, DC, October 25, 2013.

“Complicating Whiteness in Critical Legal Scholarship,” panelist, “Traveling Whiteness: Interchanges in the Study of Whiteness,” University of Turku, Finland, October 18, 2013.

“Blogging with Students,” invited panelist, Innovative Teaching, Summer Institute on Teaching and Technology, Davis, California, September 13, 2013.

“The Rural Lawscape: Space Tames Law Tames Space,” panelist, Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, New York, NY, August 8, 2013.

“The Rural Lawscape: Space Tames Law Tames Space,” panelist, Law on the Edge Conference (Canadian Association of Law and Society and Law and Society Association of Australia and New Zealand), Vancouver, British Columbia, July 3, 2013.

“A Pedagogical Experiment in Rural Community Advocacy,” panelist, Law on the Edge Conference (Canadian Association of Law and Society and Law and Society Association of Australia and New Zealand), Vancouver, British Columbia, July 3, 2013.

“Curtilage v. Open Fields: Constructions of Rurality in Fourth Amendment Jurisprudence,” invited, The Spatial Constitution, National Science Foundation, Arlington, Virginia, June 14, 2013.

“Mapping (In)Equality,” panelist on, “Bridging Practice and Theory with Legal Geography: Engaging with Legal Processes in Action,” Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, California, April 9, 2013.

“The Future of Legal Geography,” roundtable participant, Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, California, April 9, 2013.

“Complicating Whiteness,” faculty lunch talk, University of Arkansas School of Law, Fayetteville, Arkansas, April 1, 2013.

“Complicating Whiteness,” faculty lunch talk, West Virginia University College of Law, Morgantown, West Virginia, March 13, 2013.

“Diminishing Access to Higher Education and Class (Im)Mobility Among Working Class (Whites),” panelist, ClassCrits, Madison, Wisconsin, November 17, 2012.

“Place Matters: The Economic and Socio-Spatial Vulnerabilities of Rural Women,” panelist on “Hidden Impact: The Unseen Consequences of the Economic Crisis,” National Association of Women Judges, Miami Beach, Florida, November 9, 2012.

“Toward a Critical Legal Ruralism,” Public Lecture, University of Southern Queensland, Toowoomba, Queensland, Australia, August 10, 2012.

“Toward a Critical Legal Ruralism,” faculty lunch talk, Macquarie University School of Law, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia, August 6, 2012.

“Place, Poverty and Termination of Parental Rights,” panelist, Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, July 27, 2012.

“Toward a Law and (Rural) Society Movement?,” roundtable organizer, Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, July 27, 2012.

Rural Futures Conference, invited expert, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska, May 8-10, 2012.

“The Rural Socio-Spatial Lawscape: Space Tames Law Tames Space,” speaker at “Where Now? Moving Beyond Traditional Legal Geographies,” University of Buffalo School of Law, April 19, 2012 (invited).

“Toward a Critical Legal Ruralism,” speaker for UC Davis Cluster for American Culture and Politics, Davis, California, April 11, 2012 (invited).

“Toward a Critical Legal Ruralism,” Randall Park Colloquium Speaker, University of Kentucky College of Law, Lexington, Kentucky, March 30, 2012 (invited).

“Toward a Critical Legal Ruralism,” faculty workshop, University of Louisville, Brandeis School of Law, Louisville, Kentucky, March 29, 2012 (invited).

“The Metrocentricity of the Spatio-Legal Imagination,” panelist, American Association of Geographers Meeting, New York, New York, February 26, 2012.

“Diminishing Access to Higher Education and Class (Im)mobility Among Working Class Whites,” panelist, Conference on Race, Class, Gender and Ethnicity, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, February 25, 2012 (invited).

ABA-CLE Program, “Lawyers as Employers: Creative Solutions for Combating Female Attrition,” faculty for webinar, January 25, 2012.

“Busting Out in Scholarship,” AALS Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, January 8, 2012 (panel participant in discussion of non traditional ways to do and promote scholarship)

“Diminishing Access to Higher Education and Class (Im)mobility: Rethinking the Definition of Diversity,” faculty workshop, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, William Bowen School of Law, Little Rock, Arkansas, Nov. 15, 2011.

“Diminishing Access to Higher Education and Class (Im)mobility among Working Class Whites,” faculty workshop, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas, November 10, 2011.

“The Good, the Bad and the Ugly: Gender and the Legal Profession,” Pacific-McGeorge School of Law, Diversity Week, October 25, 2011 (invited).

“The Good, the Bad and the Ugly: Gender and the Legal Profession,” Contra Costa County Bar Association, Women’s Section, Annual Scholarship Dinner, Walnut Creek California, October 20, 2011 (invited).

“Diminishing Access to Higher Education and Class (Im)mobility among Working Class Whites,” LatCrit XVI, San Diego, California, October 6, 2011.

“Toward a Critical Legal Ruralism,” Key Note Address, Legal Services of Northern California All-Staff Retreat (theme: Frontier Justice), Los Gatos, California, September 26, 2011 (invited).

“Judging Parents, Judging Place: Poverty, Rurality and Termination of Parental Rights,” ClassCrits IV, Washington, DC, September 23, 2011.

“Human Rights and Development for India’s Rural Remnant: A Capabilities-Based Assessment,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Boise, Idaho, July 30, 2011.

“The Geography of the Class Culture Wars,” Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Boise, Idaho, July 29, 2011.

Moderator, “Women as Teachers, Gender in the Classroom,” AALS Mid-Year Meeting, Workshop on Women Rethinking Equality, Washington, DC, June 22, 2011.

“Mapping (In)Equality,” Annual Meeting, Law & Society Association, San Francisco, California, June 2, 2011.

Breakfast Speaker, “Gender and the Legal Profession: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly,” California Women Lawyers Third Annual Conference, Los Angeles, California, April 29, 2011 (invited).

“CEDAW and Rural Women: Law from the Top Down, Activism from the Bottom Up,” Applying Feminism Globally, University of Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland, March 31, 2011 (with Marta R. Vanegas).

“Whiteness, Work and Resistance to the Vulnerability Paradigm,” Emory Workshop on “Masking and Manipulating Vulnerabilities,” Atlanta, Georgia, March 18, 2011.

Panelist, “Class, Socio-Economics, and Critical Analysis,” AALS Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, January 6, 2011.

“Deconstructing CEDAW’s Article 14: Naming and Explaining Rural Difference,” faculty workshop, Griffith University, Gold Coast, Australia, November 24, 2010 (invited).

Panelist, book launch of Joan C. Williams, Reshaping the Work-Family Debate: Why Men and Class Matter, University of California, Hastings, School of Law, October 28, 2010 (invited).

“Toward a Critical Legal Ruralism,” faculty workshop, University of Nebraska College of Law, Lincoln, Nebraska, October 4, 2010 (invited).

“The Legal Relevance of Rurality,” lecture for students, University of Nebraska College of Law, Lincoln, Nebraska, October 4, 2010 (invited).

“CEDAW as a Template for Rural Development,” Rural Sociological Society, Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, August 13, 2010.

“Justice Deserts: Spatial Inequality and Local Funding of Indigent Defense,” Rural Sociological Society, Annual Meeting Atlanta, Georgia, August 13, 2010.

Panelist, Author Meets Reader, The Measure of Injury: Race, Gender and Tort Law, by Martha Chamallas & Jennifer Wiggins (NYU Press 2010), Annual Meeting, Law & Society Association, May 28, 2010 (invited).

“Class Crits III: Rethinking Economics and Law after the Great Recession,” led discussion of film, “Capitalism: A Love Story,” State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo, NY, May 16-18, 2010.

“Unpacking CEDAW’s Article 14,” Gender, Rurality, Transformation Conference, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada, May 13, 2010.

“Judging Mothers, Judging Place,” Motherhood: Reclaiming Our Past, Transforming Our Future Conference, University of Denver, March 13, 2010 (with Janet L. Wallace).

“CEDAW as a Template for Rural Development,” Symposium: A Man’s World? Challenges and Opportunities as Women Take Center Stage in the Global Theatre, William & Mary Journal of Women and the Law, Williamsburg, Virginia, February 27, 2010 (invited).

“Human Rights and Development for India’s Rural Remnant,” The Asian Century? Symposium, UC Davis Law Review, Davis, California, February 26, 2010 (invited).

“Third-Wave Feminists Go to Law School,” Pacific-McGeorge School of Law, Women’s Caucus, Sacramento, California, February 23, 2010 (invited).

“Migration, Development and the Promise of CEDAW for Rural Women,” AALS Annual Meeting, Africa Section, New Orleans, January 8, 2010 (invited).

“Mapping (In)Equality,” Pacific-McGeorge School of Law, Faculty Colloquium, Sacramento, California, November 24, 2009 (invited).

“Rurality as Identity,” University of Arkansas School of Law, Faculty Colloquium, November 10, 2009.

“Rurality as Identity,” LatCrit XIV, Washington, DC, Oct. 3, 2009.

“Spatial Inequality as Constitutional Infirmity: Strategizing Legal Remedies for Rural Poverty,” Rural Sociological Society, Annual Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, August 1, 2009.

“Latina/os, Locality and Law in the Rural South,” Rural Sociological Society, Annual Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, August 1, 2009.

“Migration, Development and the Promise of CEDAW for Rural Women,” Rural Sociological Society, Annual Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, August 1, 2009.

“Land, Water, Poverty & Community at the Rural-Urban Interface,” organizer and discussant, Annual Meeting, Law & Society, Denver, Colorado, May 30, 2009.

“Spatial Inequality as Constitutional Infirmity: The Promise of Montana’s Constitution for Poor Children,” presenter, Annual Meeting, Law & Society Association, Denver, Colorado, May 29, 2009.

“The Forgotten Fifth: Rural Youth and Substance Abuse,” presenter, Annual Meeting, Law & Society, Denver, Colorado, May 29, 2009.

“Rurality as Identity,” Spring Speaker Series, Salmon P. Chase College of Law, Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, Kentucky, March 27, 2009 (invited).

“Blogging as a Tool for Teaching Critical Thinking and Writing,” Pedagogy Series, Salmon P. Chase College of Law, Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, Kentucky, March 27, 2009 (invited).

“Spatial Inequality as Constitutional Infirmity?” Second International Conference on Feminist Constitutionalism, Queens University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada, March 1, 2009.

“More Thoughtful Teaching Symposium: Two Successes and a Failure,” Teaching Resources Center, University of California, Davis, February 23, 2009 (invited).

“The Forgotten Fifth: Rural Youth and Substance Abuse,” Stanford Law & Policy Review speaker series on drug policy, Stanford University Law School, Palo Alto, California, February 19, 2009 (invited).

“Human Rights and Development for the Rural Remnant,” Michigan Journal of International Law Symposium, Territory without Boundaries, Ann Arbor, Michigan, February 7, 2009 (invited).

“Course Blogs for Teaching Critical Thinking and Writing,” Summer Institute on Teaching and Technology, University of California, Davis, September 9, 2008 (invited).

“Gender, Geography & Rural Justice,” presenter, Annual Meeting, Rural Sociological Society, Manchester, N.H., July 30, 2008.

“Gender, Geography & Rural Justice,” presenter, Annual Meeting, Law and Society, Montreal, Canada, May 31, 2008.

“Of Spheres and Spaces,” presenter, Law, Culture & Humanities Conference, Berkeley, California, March 29, 2008.

“The Difference Place Makes: Latina/os in the Rural South,” University of Arkansas School of Law, Faculty Workshop, March 25, 2008.

“Place Matters: Intimate Abuse as a Case Study for Rural Difference,” presenter, “Working from the World Up: Equality’s Future,” A New Legal Realism Conference Celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Feminism and Legal Theory Project, University of Wisconsin, Madison, March 14-15, 2008.

“Blogging as a Tool for Teaching Critical Thinking and Writing,” Faculty Mentoring Faculty Program, University of California, Davis, February 22, 2008 (invited).

“Of Spheres and Spaces,” presenter on “State” panel of extended program, “Gender and Class: Voices from the Collective,” AALS Annual Meeting, New York City, January 3, 2008 (invited).

“The Place Difference Makes: Latina/os in the Rural South,” presenter, LatCrit XII, Miami, October 5, 2007.

“Toward a Feminist Theory of the Rural,” presenter, Law & Society Annual Meeting, July 26, 2007, Berlin, Germany.

“Place Matters,” presenter, Feminism and Legal Theory Workshop, Emory University School of Law, May 5, 2007, Atlanta, Georgia.

“Rural Lives before the Law,” Agricultural Law Society, UC Davis School of Law, April 3, 2007, Davis, California.

“Toward a Feminist Theory of the Rural (or How Law Fails Poor Rural Women),” Consortium on Women and Research Winter Speaker Series, February 7, 2007, Davis, California (invited).

“Lost in Translation: Welfare Reform and Persistent Poverty in Rural America,” Symposium: One Act, Ten Years, and Thousands of Families, October 2006, Iowa City, Iowa.

“Rural Rhetoric,” panel on Law, Culture and Space, Law & Society Annual Meeting, July 8, 2006, Baltimore, Maryland.

“Race, Rape and Gender: Transcending Sticking Points in Law and Culture,” moderator, Davis, California, April 20, 2005.

“Color, Feminism and the State,” moderator, The Future of Critical Race Feminism Symposium Davis, California, April 1, 2005.

“Getting Involved in Africa,” moderator, Africa Section panel at AALS January, 2004, Atlanta, Georgia.

“Rhetoric of the Rural in Law,” faculty seminar presentation, University of Arkansas School of Law, November 10, 2003.

“The Glass Ceiling for Black Lawyers,” panelist, Columbia University Law School, Paul Robeson Conference, April 2003 (invited).

“Subverting or Subverted: Sexual Slander in the Nineteenth Century” at “Subversive Legacies: The Struggle for Gender Equality, Learning from History/Constructing our Future” conference, University of Texas, Austin, November 2002.

“No Black Names on the Letterhead?” Stanford-Yale Junior Faculty Forum, New Haven, Connecticut, May 2002 (invited).

“No Black Names on the Letterhead?” Law & Society Annual Meeting, Budapest, Hungary, July 2001.

“No Black Names on the Letterhead?” University of California Davis Critical Race Theory Series, May 2001.

“Cultural, Political and Economic Dimensions of the Integration of the Attorneys Profession in Post-Apartheid South Africa” at “Into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Reconstruction and Reparations” conference, Cape Town, South Africa, January 2001.



“Strategizing the Non-Enforcement Case under the TRIPs Agreement” to intellectual property professors and PhD students at the Universities of Ferrara, Bologna, Pavia and Milan, Bologna, Italy, September 2000 (invited).

“The Intersection of Race and Gender in the South African Attorneys Professions” at “Women on/in/and the Law” conference, University of Pretoria, South Africa, September 2000.

“Images of the Rural in Law” at World Congress of Rural Sociologists, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, August 2000.

“Practical and Political Obstacles to Investigating Rape as a War Crime: The Rwanda Experience” at the University of Pretoria’s Centre for Human Rights, Pretoria, South Africa, April 2000 (invited).

“Racial Integration of the South African Legal Profession” at Law & Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, May 1999.

“Press Protections under European Union Law” to Promedia (USAID-supported journalists in Eastern Europe) in Bratislava, Slovakia, April 1998.

“The Feminist Critique of International Law” to Nederlandse Vereniging voor Internationaal Recht (Netherlands Society for International Law), Working Group on Feminism and International Law, September 1996.

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  - Daniel Gateno, “Tim Walz vs JD Vance: How Kamala and Trump's vice presidents are competing for rural votes”, Estadão (Brazil), Sept. 13, 2024, <https://www.estadao.com.br/internacional/tim-walz-vs-jd-vance-como-os-vices-de-kamala-e-trump-estao-disputando-os-votos-da-populacao-rural/>
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## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

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American Law Institute, Elected Member, 2018

Association of American Law Schools

- Section on Women in Legal Education, Chair, 2010; Chair-Elect 2009; Executive Committee 2006-09.
- Mid-Year Meeting, Women Rethinking Equality, Planning Committee, 2010-11.
- Section on Africa, Chair, 2005.

Society of American Law Teachers (SALT)

- Board of Governors 2011-12.

American Bar Association

Rural Sociological Society

- President-Elect, 2024-25.
- Vice President, 2017-18.
- Rural Law and Justice Research Interest Group Chair, 2023-24.
- Rural Policy Research Interest Group Co-Chair, 2009-11.
- Gender Research Interest Group Co-Chair 2010-11, Co-Chair 2013-14.
- Rural Studies Research Interest Group Co-Chair, 2008-09, 2012-13, 2016-17.
- Rural Poverty Research Interest Group Chair, 2015-16.

International Journal of Rural Law and Policy (University of New England, Australia).

- Board Member, 2018

## AWARDS

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- Rural Sociological Society’s Excellence in Research Award, 2021
- Bill and Sally Rutter Distinguished Teaching Award 2020; nominated for award 2003, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013.

- Martin Luther King, Jr., Hall Scholar 2018-19, 2017-18, 2016-17, 2015-16; 2014-15; 2012-13; 2011-12; 2010-11; 2009-10.
- King Hall Legal Foundation, Keith Aoki Faculty Award, 2012, 2016.
- Yale-Stanford Junior Faculty Forum 2002.
- UC Center for Collaborative Research for an Equitable California Grant (2012-13) (to fund participatory action research (PAR) involving student outreach and legal assistance to rural communities)
- UC Davis Small Grants in Aid of Research: 2008-09 through 2023-2024.
- UC Davis Travel Grants: July, 2024; July, 2023; October, 2022; July 2018; July 2017; July 2016; July 2014; July 2013; July 2011; July 2010; July 2009; July 2008; May 2008.
- 2003 Distinguished Young Alumnus, University of Arkansas.

## UNIVERSITY AND LAW SCHOOL SERVICE

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- Vice Provost for Academic Affairs Peer Review Committee (oversight on sexual harassment and sex discrimination charges against Academic Senate members), 2017-18, 2018-19, 2020-21, 2022-23.
- Intellectual Enrichment Committee, Chair 2020-21 and 2022-23; Member, 2016-17, 2018-19.
- Education Policy Committee, 2016-17, 2006-08.
- LRAP (Loan Repayment Assistance Program) Committee, 2015-19.
- UCD-SPREE Mentor, Summer, 2016; presenter 2017-2022.
- ASPIRE Mentor, Winter-Spring 2016.
- Poverty and Place Conference, Organizer, UC Davis Center for Poverty Research, November 13-14, 2014.
- Advisor, Prestigious Scholarships, UC Davis, 2010-18.
- Member, UCOP Sexual Violence Law Forum, 2015-16 (advising on President Janet Napolitano's response to shifts in Title IX).
- Law School Faculty Personnel Committee, 2012-15.
- Advisory Committee to Ari Kelman, Associate Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education—Honors, 2013-14.
- Search Advisory Committee, Associate Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education—Honors, Spring 2013.
- UC Davis Center for Poverty Research, Executive Committee, 2012-13; Director of Undergraduate Internship Program, 2013, 2014; organized "Poverty and Place" Conference, 2014.
- Faculty, Davis Honors Challenge (DHC). Taught research seminars to second-year students, 2007-09, 2010-11; taught Project Management Course 2011-12 and 2012-13 following revision of third-year program to include requirement of collaboratively written academic paper and in 2014-15 after compressed into one quarter from two; Committee to admit students to DHC program, Summer 2010, 2011, 2012.
- Work-Life Faculty Advisor, 2007-15.
- Law School Library Committee, 2009-10, 2012-13.
- Investigator of allegation of faculty misconduct, Office of Vice Provost for Academic Affairs 2008-09.
- Tenure Committee for Acting Professor Donna Shestowsky, 2005-09.
- Undergraduate Instructional Improvement Program Review Committee 2007-08, 2009-10.
- Privilege & Tenure Investigations Committee, 2006-08.
- Privilege & Tenure Hearings Committee, 2005-06.
- Law School Academic Appeals Committee 2012-13; 2011-2012; 2007-08; 2009-10; alternate 2006-07.
- LLM Admissions Committee 2005-06, 2002-03.
- Tenure Committee for Acting Professor Andrea Bjorklund, 2004-05.
- Law School Admissions Committee 2014-15, 2003-04.
- UC Davis Executive Council 2003-04.
- Davis Division, Academic Senate, Affirmative Action & Diversity Committee, chair 2003-04; member 2000-03.

## EXTRAMURAL SERVICE

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- Reviewer for tenure file, Florida International University School of Law, Fall 2006.

- Reviewer for lateral hire, Chair in Feminist Legal Theory, Cornell University School of Law, Winter 2007.
- Judge for Goettel Prize for Faculty Scholarship, Pace University School of Law, Summer 2008.
- Reviewer for lateral hire, University of Iowa College of Law, Fall 2008.
- Reviewer for Gender, Place and Culture, 2009.
- Reviewer for tenure file, University of Toledo College of Law, Fall 2009.
- Reviewer for tenure file, Washington & Lee University School of Law, Fall 2010.
- Reviewer for book manuscript, Lexington Press, 2010.
- Reviewer for tenure file, University of Nebraska, Fall 2011.
- Reviewer for Social Sciences Research Council of Canada, Fall-Winter 2011-12.
- Reviewer for tenure file, University of Florida, Summer 2012.
- Reviewer for grant applications, inaugural call, Rural Futures Institute, Fall 2012.
- Reviewer for promotion file, University of Minnesota, Fall 2012.
- Reviewer for Rural Sociology, 2013.
- Conducted oral history interviews for Pryor Center for Arkansas' Oral and Visual History, 2011-13
- External examiner, PhD dissertation, Griffith University, Socio-Legal Research Centre, Queensland, Australia, 2013.
- Reviewer for Griffith Law Review, 2013.
- Reviewer for International Journal of Law in Context, 2013.
- Reviewer for Violence Against Women Journal, 2013.
- Reviewer for tenure file, West Virginia College of Law, 2013.
- Reviewer for Routledge Press, 2013.
- Reviewer for Studies in Law, Politics & Society, 2014.
- Reviewer for Columbia University Press, 2014.
- Reviewer for Yale University Press, 2014.
- External examiner, PhD dissertation, University of Southern Queensland, Australia, 2014.
- Art of the Rural, Board of Advisors, 2012-14.
- ClassCritsVII, Co-Organizer, University of California, Davis School of Law, 2014.
- Reviewer for Journal of Rural Social Sciences, 2015.
- Reviewer for Urban Geography, 2015.
- Reviewer for promotion file, University of New Hampshire, Department of Sociology, 2015.
- Reviewer for tenure file, Washington & Lee University School of Law, 2015.
- Reviewer for Rural Sociology, 2015, 2016.
- Reviewer for Local Environment, 2016.
- Reviewer for Yale University Press, 2016.
- Reviewer for tenure file, Seattle University School of Law, 2016.
- Reviewer for promotion file, University of Tennessee School of Law, 2016.
- Reviewer for promotion file, Merrimack College, 2016.
- Reviewer for Journal of Qualitative Criminal Justice and Criminology, 2016.
- Reviewer for Social and Cultural Geography, 2016.
- Reviewer for Environmental Sociology, 2017.
- Reviewer for Progress in Human Geography, 2017.
- Reviewer for Political Geography, 2018.
- Member, Poverty and Geography Network (multi-disciplinary network established by the National Poverty Research Center at the Institute for Research on Poverty), 2017-22.
- Reviewer for Oxford University Press book proposal, 2018.
- Reviewer for Nature Human Behavior, 2018.
- Member, Advisory Committee, Rural Jails Research and Policy Network, Vera Institute, 2019.
- Reviewer for tenure file, University of South Carolina, 2019
- Reviewer, International Journal of Rural Criminology, 2019.
- Reviewer, mid-tenure review file, Washburn School of Law, 2020.
- Reviewer, American Journal of Public Health, 2020.
- Reviewer, International Journal of Health and Place, 2020.
- Reviewer, Washington State University, Department of Sociology, 2020.
- Reviewer for Cambridge University Press, book proposal, 2020.



- Reviewer for Law and History, 2020.
- Reviewer for Race and Rurality (forthcoming 2022, West Virginia University Press)
- Reviewer for Women's History Review, 2021
- Reviewer for tenure file, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Sociology, 2021
- Reviewer for tenure file, University of South Dakota, Knudsen School of Law, 2021
- Reviewer for lateral hire, University of Alabama School of Law, 2021
- Review for Law & Social Inquiry, 2022.
- Review for Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers, 2024.

## SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

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- Member of Advisory Committee, Public Interest Attorney Loan Repayment Program, California Student Aid Commission (2023-24)
- Legal Services Corporation, Rural Justice Task Force (2021-2024)
- California Commission on Access to Justice, 2015-19; Rural Access Committee (previously Rural Task Force), 2015-19; Chair of Rural Access Committee (previously Rural Task Force) 2017-20.
- Women Lawyers of Sacramento, No Glass Ceiling Task Force (2005-07).

## COMMUNITY

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- Volunteer Adult Counselor to Youth, Sierra Service Project, Stockton, California, July 2015; Chiloquin, Oregon, July 2016; Smith River, California, July 2019; Del Norte County, California, August 2022.
- Judge, Physicians for Social Responsibility/Sacramento High School Essay Contest, Spring 2018.
- Volunteer, Winter Sanctuary, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, California, 2013-2017.
- Keynote Speaker, El Dorado County Democrats, Fred Winn Scholarship Award Luncheon, "The Most Important Issue Facing (Y)our Generation," April 18, 2013.
- Westminster Presbyterian Church, Sacramento (since 2000); Sunday Forum Coordinator, 2008-09.
- Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Ghana, 1998, Poland, 1995, Arkansas, 1993.
- American Community Council, The Hague, The Netherlands, 1995.
- American Church in London, Church Council, 1990-92.
- American Protestant Church of The Hague, Church Council, 1994-95.
- Rape Crisis Victim Advocate, Fayetteville, Arkansas, 1988-89.