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LEGAL EDUCATION & ADMINISTRATION EXPERIENCE

University of North Texas Dallas College of Law

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs & Professor of Law 2021-present

Courses: Torts, Legal Profession, First Amendment, Police Misconduct, International Criminal Law

Southern Illinois University School of Law

Dean 2010-2017

Professor of Law 2010-2021

Courses: Torts; Constitutional Law; First Amendment; Advanced Torts; Civil Rights; Law & Social Justice Seminar; Civil Procedure; Legal Globalization & Comparative Law: Germany & International Courts (including embedded study abroad in Europe); Professional Responsibility; Introduction to Law & The Legal System (Undergraduate Honors Course)

Texas Wesleyan University School of Law (now Texas A&M University School of Law)

Interim Dean 2006-2008

Professor of Law 1997-2010 (Associate Professor 1997-2001; Professor 2001-2010)

Director of Academic Support 1997-2000

Courses: Civil Procedure; Federal Courts; Civil Rights; Jury Process; Complex Litigation

Washington & Lee University School of Law

Visiting Professor of Law 2005-2006

Courses: Civil Procedure; Civil Rights; Professional Responsibility; Legal Research & Writing

University of Cincinnati College of Law

Instructor 1992-1997

Courses: Legal Research & Writing; Professional Responsibility; Academic Support Workshop

FULBRIGHT AWARDS

Fulbright International Education Administrators Program, France

Fulbright Higher Education Administrator, 2015

Universität Bayreuth Faculty of Law, Business & Economics, Bayreuth, Germany

Fulbright Senior Scholar, 2009-2010

Courses: U.S. Constitutional Law; U.S. Common Law Legal Methods

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

United States Commission on Civil Rights, Chicago, Illinois
Civil Rights Analyst, 2018 (Sabbatical Project)

American Bar Association Rule of Law Initiative, Amman, Jordan
Legal Education Specialist, Legal Education Reform Project, 2010 (Sabbatical Project)

O'Melveny & Myers, Los Angeles, California
Attorney, Litigation Associate 1988-1991

EDUCATION

University of Southern California
Gould School of Law
Juris Doctor, 1988
Publications Editor, *Southern California Law Review*

Indiana University Bloomington
Kelley School of Business
Bachelor of Science, 1984
Major: Business
Concentration: Economics and Public Policy

HIGHER EDUCATION LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT EDUCATION

Fulbright International Education Administrators Program
France 2015

Harvard University Graduate School of Education
Institute for Management and Leadership in Education, 2012

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- Speaker and Symposium Co-Planner, *When Life Gives You Lemons: Creating Meaningful International Opportunities for Students Despite the Pandemic*, SIU Law Journal Symposium on Innovations in International Legal Education During the Pandemic: Breaking Down Physical Barriers and Borders with Technology and Cutting-Edge Teaching Pedagogies, Virtual Symposium (April 2021).

- Speaker, *Complicity in the Perversion of Justice: The Role of Lawyers in Eroding the Rule of Law in the Third Reich*, St. Mary's Journal on Legal Malpractice & Ethics Annual Symposium on Legal Malpractice & Ethics, San Antonio, Texas (January 2020).
- Speaker, *Federal Court Jurisdiction: How to Land It and Avoid It*, Tips of the Trade: A Federal Civil Practice Seminar 2019, co-sponsored by the Illinois State Bar Association Federal Civil Practice Section and the Federal Bar Association, Springfield, Illinois (September 2019).
- Lecturer, Udmurt State University Faculty of Law, Izhevsk, Russia (May 2019).
- Speaker, *Talkin' 'Bout My Generation: Navigating the Multi-Generational Workplace*, Cybersecurity, Employment Law Update & Ethics CLE, United States Arbitration & Mediation (February 2019).
- Moderator, *Criminal Injustice: An Open Discussion About Criminal Justice Reform*, Black History Month Discussion Series, SIU Law Black Law Students Association (February 2019 & September 2019).
- Program Planner & Moderator, *Building Bridges Through Shared Experiences: The AALS Women in Legal Education Oral History Project*, AALS Section on Women in Legal Education Program, Association of American Law Schools 2019 Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana (January 2019).
- Program Planner & Discussion Leader, *Building Bridges: WILE Networking, Mentoring, and Discussion*, AALS Section on Women in Legal Education Program, Association of American Law Schools 2019 Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana (January 2019).
- Program Planner & Presenter, *AALS Section on Women in Legal Education Ruth Bader Ginsburg Lifetime Achievement Award Presentation*, AALS Section on Women in Legal Education Luncheon, Association of American Law Schools 2019 Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana (January 2019).
- Speaker, *Traversing the New Personal Jurisdiction Landscape*, Federal Court Jurisdiction: How to Land It and Avoid It, Tips of the Trade: A Federal Civil Practice Seminar, co-sponsored by the Illinois State Bar Association Federal Civil Practice Section and the Federal Bar Association, O'Fallon, Illinois (June 2018).
- Keynote Speaker, *"Gravitate to the Love": The Lawyer as Helper*, Third Circuit Red Mass, Saint Boniface Catholic Church, Edwardsville, Illinois (October 2017).
- Panelist, *A Day in the Life of an Associate Dean: Leadership, Management, Finances, Administration & Beyond*, ABA Associate Deans Conference, Deans' Plenary Panel, Chicago, Illinois (July 2017).
- Commentator, *Commentary on The Law of Holocaust Denial: When Facts are Facts*, SIU School of Law (January 2017).

- Keynote Speaker, *Leadership In Higher Education*, Becky Skillman Leadership Institute, Bedford, Indiana (July 2016).
- Speaker, *Catastrophic Failure in Legal Ethics: The Judges & Lawyers of the Third Reich*, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri Bench & Bar Seminar, Cape Girardeau, Missouri (April 2016).
- Panelist, *Meeting Our Students Where They Are: Preparing Our Students for Academic Success and Bar Passage*, 2016 ABA Deans Workshop, San Francisco, California (February 2016).
- Speaker, *Intercultural Diversity Workshop*, Law & Medicine Down Under: Shared Experiences, Divergent Paths, Sydney, Australia (June 2015).
- Panelist, *The Lawyer's Ethical Responsibilities in Representing a Client with Diminished Capacity*, End of Life Decisions—Defining Death and the Choice to Die, Law and Medicine Down Under: Shared Experiences, Divergent Paths, Sydney, Australia (June 2015).
- Speaker, *Breaking Into the Legal Academy: Becoming a Law Professor or Law School Administrator*, Illinois State Bar Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (December 2014).
- Speaker, *Innovation in International Legal Education in the United States: An American Law Dean's Perspective*, International Conference on Innovation in Higher Education, SRH University of Applied Sciences, Heidelberg, Germany (December 2014).
- Panelist, *Innovation in Higher Education: A Conversation About Competency Based Teaching in Higher Education*, Moderated by Frankfurt Allgemeine. International Conference on Innovation in Higher Education, SRH University of Applied Sciences, Heidelberg, Germany (December 2014).
- Program Organizer, Moderator, and Discussant, *Crossing the Bar: Current Character and Fitness Issues in Admission to the Profession*, Workshop on the Legal Profession, Southeastern Association of Law Schools 2014 Annual Meeting, Amelia Island, Florida (August 2014).
- Speaker, *When Ethics Fail: Lawyers and Judges of the Third Reich*, Nuremberg's Legacy: Law, Medicine & Ethics, Munich, Germany (June 2014).
- Panelist, *Change Is Here*, Lessons of the Past: Change is Inevitable, American Academy of Appellate Lawyers Spring Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (May 2014).
- Speaker, *The Law of the Holocaust*, Public Lecture, sponsored by the SIU School of Law Decalogue Society, Carbondale, Illinois (April 2014).
- Panelist, *State Bar Involvement in Legal Education Reform*, Panelist, Legal Education Affordability and the Responsibility of Law Schools, Section for Law School

Administration and Finance, Association of American Law Schools 2014 Annual Meeting, New York, NY (January 2014).

- Panelist, *What Legal Educators Could Learn From Journalism Education*, Managing the Transformation of Legal Education: Lessons from Other Disciplines, Section for the Law School Dean, Association of American Law Schools 2014 Annual Meeting, New York, NY (January 2014).
- Program Planner and Master of Ceremonies, *AALS Section on Women in Legal Education Ruth Bader Ginsburg Lifetime Achievement Award Ceremony*, Section on Women in Legal Education Awards Luncheon, Association of American Law Schools 2014 Annual Meeting, New York, NY (January 2014).
- Speaker, *The Nuts and Bolts of Becoming a Law Professor*, Illinois State Bar Midyear Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (December 2013).
- Speaker, *The Times, They Are A'Changin': Legal Education in 2013 and Beyond*, Illinois Appellate Lawyers Association, Carbondale, Illinois (October 2013).
- Speaker, *Opportunities for Women in the Legal Profession*, Carbondale Community High School Women in Leadership Program (September 2013).
- Speaker, *SIU Law: 40 Years of Serving the Public Interest in Southern Illinois and Beyond*, Jackson County Bar Association Meeting, Carbondale, Illinois (September 2013).
- Discussant, *The Future of Legal Education*, The Future of the Legal Profession, Workshop on The Legal Profession, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Palm Beach, Florida (July 2013).
- Moderator, *The Classroom of the Future: Digital Materials as a Path to Achieving Better Outcomes at Lower Costs*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Palm Beach, Florida (July 2013).
- Speaker, *Pathways to the Academy: Becoming a Law Professor or Administrator*, Illinois State Bar Midyear Meeting, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin (June 2013).
- Speaker, *Pathways to the Academy: Becoming a Law Professor or Administrator*, Illinois State Bar Midyear Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (December 2012).
- Speaker, *Financial Issues Related to Legal Education*, Illinois State Bar Association Special Committee on the Impact of Law Student Debt on the Delivery of Legal Services, Chicago, Illinois (December 2012).
- Panelist, *Character and Fitness Inquiries and Law School Admissions: A Dean's Perspective*, Illinois State Board of Bar Examiners, Supreme Court Character and Fitness Committee Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois (November 2012).

- Speaker, *State of the SIU School of Law*, Jackson County Bar Association Meeting, Carbondale, Illinois (September 2012).
- Speaker, *So You Want to Become a Lawyer: What You Need to Know About Law School*, Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, Missouri (September 2012).
- Panel Planner and Moderator, *Globalization Across the Law School Curriculum*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Amelia Island, Florida (July 2012).
- Speaker, *Pathways to the Academy: Becoming a Law Professor or Administrator*, Illinois State Bar Annual Meeting, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin (June 2012).
- Speaker, *SIU School of Law: Forty Years of Public Service in Southern Illinois*, Rotary Club of Carbondale Breakfast, Carbondale, Illinois (May 2012).
- Speaker, *Abraham Lincoln: The Lawyer*, Indiana State Bar Association “Why Was Lincoln A Lawyer” Program, Bedford, Indiana (March 2012).
- Panel Co-Chair and Moderator, *Cutting-Edge Issues in Public and Private International Law*, International Legal Education and Specialist Certification Committee, ABA Section of International Law, 2011 Fall Meeting, Dublin, Ireland (October 2011).
- Speaker, *The U.S. Legal and Judicial Systems*, International Law Week, Workshop on International White Collar Crime, SRH Heidelberg, Heidelberg, Germany (October 2011).
- Speaker, *The Changing Landscape in Legal Education*, Jackson County Bar Association Meeting, Carbondale, Illinois (September 2011).
- Speaker, *Who Me? A Law Professor?*, Illinois State Bar Annual Meeting, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin (June 2011).
- Speaker, *The Legacy of John Adams*, Franklin County Bar Association Law Day Luncheon, Benton, Illinois (May 2011).
- Speaker, *The Rule of Law in Jordan*, Sponsored by International Law Society, Southern Illinois University School of Law, Carbondale, Illinois (April 2011).
- Master of Ceremonies, *Installation of Rita Hartung Cheng, 22nd Chancellor of Southern Illinois University*, Carbondale, Illinois (April 2011).
- Speaker, *The Rule of Law in Jordan*, Inns of Court, Carbondale, Illinois (April 2011).
- Speaker, *The U.S. Legal System*, University of Jordan Faculty of Law, Amman, Jordan (March 2011).

- Keynote Speaker, Illinois State Bar Association Swearing In Ceremony (November 2010).
- Speaker, *Update on the SIU Law School*, Jackson County Bar Association Meeting, Carbondale, Illinois (September 2010).
- Panel Co-Planner and Panelist, *Obtaining Financial Support for Teaching Abroad*, Global Law School: Teaching/Studying Abroad & Bringing It Home, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Palm Beach, Florida (August 2010).
- Lecturer, *International Plagiarism Standards*, Lecture for Masters Students, Yarmouk University Faculty of Law, Irbid, Jordan (April 2010).
- Conference Planner and Presenter, *Interactive Teaching Workshop for New Professors*, (ABA Rule of Law Initiative—Jordan training workshop for all Jordanian law professors who had been teaching for five years or less), Amman, Jordan (March 2010).
- Lecturer, *Introduction to Moot Court Oral Argument*, ABA Rule of Law Initiative—Jordan National Moot Court Training Seminar (for students and faculty from ten Jordanian law schools), Amman, Jordan (March 2010).
- Lecturer, *Introduction to United States Common Law*, Lecture for Faculty and Students, Yarmouk University Faculty of Law, Irbid, Jordan (March 2010).
- Speaker, *Creating a Faculty-Led Professional Development Program*, Faculty Workshop, Yarmouk University Faculty of Law, Irbid, Jordan (March 2010).
- Speaker, *Is There an “Ideal” Lawyer?: A Critical Look at To Kill A Mockingbird’s Atticus Finch*, Universität Bayreuth Faculty of Law, Business and Economics, Bayreuth, Germany (November 2009).
- Speaker, *Atticus Finch: Constructing a Heroic Lawyer*, Lecture Series on The Well-Rounded Lawyer, Office of the Attorney General of Texas, Austin, Texas (August 2009).
- Speaker, *The Legal Civil Rights Movement* and Panelist, *They Had A Dream Too*, Texas Young Lawyers Association (February 2009).
- Panelist, *The Role for Pre-Law in Improving Diversity in the Legal Profession: Pipeline & Collaboration*, Pre-Law Advisors’ National Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada (October 2008).
- Co-Chair, Panelist, and Discussion Leader, *From Orientation to Graduation: Legal Ethics Across the Law School Curriculum*, Mexican Curricular Reform Project: Overview Regarding the Teaching of Professional Responsibility, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Palm Beach, Florida (July 2008).
- Keynote Speaker, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law Alumni Association Annual Meeting, Fort Worth, Texas (April 2008).

- Keynote Speaker, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law Alumni Association Justice Joe Greenhill Golf Tournament Dinner, Cowboys Golf Club, Grapevine Texas (April 2008).
- Professional Delegate, US-Russia Joint Conference on the Rule of Law, hosted by St. Petersburg University School of Law, St. Petersburg, Russia (November 2007).
- Speaker, *Texas Wesleyan University School of Law: Ten Years of Service and Impact in Fort Worth*, Fort Worth City Council, Pre-Council Meeting, Fort Worth, Texas (October 2007).
- Planning Committee Member and Speaker, Wingspread VIII P-20 Pipeline Conference, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law, Fort Worth, Texas (October 2007) (consortium of academics and professionals seeking to promote and expand diversity in the legal profession and in legal education by providing mentorship and programming for at-risk children and youth).
- Invited Discussant, Wingspread VII P-20 Pipeline Conference, hosted by the Johnson Foundation, Racine, Wisconsin (June 2007).
- Keynote Speaker, 2007 Texas Wesleyan University School of Law Alumni Association Annual Meeting, Fort Worth, Texas (April 2007).
- Discussion Leader, *Coffee Comparisons: Networking Discussions and Team Reports*, Wingspread VI P-20 Pipeline Conference, Monterey, California (October 2007).
- Keynote Speaker, Texas Wesleyan University Law Review Alumni Association Annual Dinner, Fort Worth, Texas (October 2006).
- Moderator, *International Adoption and Cultural Transformation*, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law Conference on International Adoption, Fort Worth, Texas (November 2003).
- Speaker, *The New ABA Multijurisdictional Practice Rules: Recognizing the Realities of Client Representation in the Twenty-First Century*, Federal Civil Practice Conference, Federal Bar Association, Dallas, Texas (March 2003).
- Panelist, *Fashioning Women in Law*, Panelist and Planning Committee Member, Film Presentation and Panel Discussion, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law, Fort Worth, Texas (February 2005).
- Panelist, *Why Law Schools Should Have Pro Bono Requirements (And What It Means For the Community)*, ACLU Meeting, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law, Fort Worth, Texas (February 2001).
- Faculty Speaker, *What Kind of Lawyer Will You Be?*, Elected by Students, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law Commencement, Fort Worth, Texas (December 2001).

- Panelist, *Procedural Issues Raised by the USA Patriot Act*, Conference on The New USA Patriot Act, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law and the ACLU, Fort Worth, Texas (October 2001).
- Moderator and Panelist, *What Women in the Legal Profession Want (and Get)*, Panel on Women in the Legal Profession, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law, Fort Worth, Texas (March 2001).

SCHOLARSHIP & OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Complicity in the Perversion of Justice: The Role of Lawyers in Eroding the Rule of Law in the Third Reich, 10 St. Mary's Journal on Legal Malpractice & Ethics 198 (2020). Available at <https://commons.stmarytx.edu/lmej/vol10/iss2/2> .

"Don't Come Around Here No More": Narrowing Personal Jurisdiction Over Non-Resident Corporations in Illinois, 42 S. Ill. U.L.J. 593 (2018). Available at https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3657586 .

"Your Time to Shine is Drawing Near": Remembering Professor Bill Schroeder, 41 S. Ill. U.L.J. 247 (2017).

Foreword to the Southern Illinois University Law Journal Symposium Issue—The President's Taskforce on Twentieth Century Policing: Procedural Justice, Policing and Public Health, 40 S. Ill. U. L.J. 415 (2016) (co-authored with Professor Ed Dawson).

Germany's Legal Education System Offers Lessons for U.S. Reform, Chicago Daily Law Bulletin, Vol. 159, No. 198 (October 9, 2013) (http://www.law.siu.edu/_common/documents/germany-legal-education-cdlb.pdf).

Aiding and Abetting the Unauthorized Practice of Law, "Ethics Question of the Week" in Corporate Counsel Weekly (CCW) (March 3, 2010); also published in Corporate Practice Series Portfolio No. 87, "Legal Ethics for In-House Corporate Counsel" (2010).

Stepping In: The Unique Challenges Faced By Interim Law Deans, 40 Univ. Toledo L. Rev. 343 (2009) (Leadership in Legal Education Symposium IX).

An Open Letter to the Next President of the United States, Rotagraph, Vol. 90, No. 18, October 31, 2008 (editorial regarding crisis in American civic literacy).

Texas Wesleyan Law School and Its Public Service Partnerships, Tarrant County Bar Bulletin (December 2006) (Winner of State Bar of Texas 2007 Best News Article Award).

Have License, Will Travel: An Analysis of the New ABA Multijurisdictional Practice Rules, 81 Wash. U. L. Q. 737 (2003).

In the Shadow of Atticus Finch: Constructing a Heroic Lawyer, 13 Widener L. J. 123 (2003) in Symposium, *When a Lawyer Stood Tall: Sharing and Understanding Stories of Lawyer Heroes*, 13 Widener L. J. 1 (2003).

Crossing State Lines: The New ABA Multijurisdictional Practice Rules, Wesleyan Lawyer 26 (Summer 2003).

Teaching Legal Methods: Why, How, and What Next?, 7 Mich. J. Race & Law 494 (2002) in *Breaking Into The Academy: The 2002-2004 Michigan Journal of Race & Law Guide For Aspiring Law Professors* (eds. Gabriel J. Chin & Denise C. Morgan).

What Kind of Lawyer Will You Be?, Wesleyan Lawyer 30 (Spring 2002).

When is a Computer a Lawyer?: Interactive Legal Software, Unauthorized Practice of Law, and the First Amendment, 71 U. Cin. L. Rev. 147 (2002).

Article III and the Adequate and Independent State Grounds Doctrine, 48 Am. U. L. Rev. 1053 (1999).

Due Process and the Impermissible Collateral Attack Rule in Employment Discrimination Cases: An Analysis of Section 108 of the Civil Rights Act of 1991, 58 U. Pitt. L. Rev. 435 (1997).

Lousy Lawmaking: Questioning the Desirability and Constitutionality of Legislating by Initiative, 61 S. Cal. L. Rev. 733 (1988) (student note).

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Coach, UNT Dallas College of Law, Nuremberg International Moot Court Team 2023, 2024, 2025
- American Bar Association Site Evaluation Teams (ABA law school re-accreditation review):
 - o Chair, University of Texas (spring 2022)
 - o AALS Representative, Mississippi College School of Law (spring 2020)
 - o Chair, Mitchell Hamline School of Law (fall 2018)
 - o Chair, South Texas College of Law Houston (fall 2016)
 - o Chair, University of Maine School of Law (fall 2014)
 - o University of Mississippi School of Law (spring 2012)
 - o Thomas M. Cooley Law School, Ann Arbor, Michigan (spring 2011)
 - o Charlotte School of Law (fall 2008)
 - o Washburn University School of Law (spring 2008)

- Association of American Law Schools Section on Women in Legal Education:
 - o Executive Committee Member (2014-2021)
 - o Social Media Director (2018-2021)
 - o Chair (2018)
 - o Chair Elect (2017)
 - o Secretary (2016)
 - o Treasurer (2015)
 - o Chair, AALS Section on Women in Legal Education Ruth Bader Ginsburg Lifetime Achievement Award Committee (2013-2016)
- Director, Udmurt Law Student Project, coordinate distance education lectures for Russian law students at Udmurt State University in Izhevsk, Russia (2013-2022)
- Faculty Advisor, Southern Illinois University Law Journal (2019-2021)
- Executive Committee, AALS Section on Professional Responsibility (2017 -2019)
 - o Chair, Judith Maute Mentoring Program
- Steering Committee, International Refugee Law Committee, ABA Section on International Law (2016-2019)
- Member, Working Group on Policy Related to Universal Jurisdiction in Human Rights Cases, ABA Section on International Law, International Human Rights Committee (2019-2020)
- Co-Vice Chair for Programs, International Legal Education and Specialist Certification Committee, ABA Section on International Law (2018-2020)
- Steering Committee & Liaison on International Legal Education, International Human Rights Committee, ABA Section on International Law (2018)
- Planning Committee, 2017 Health Policy Institute on *Obamacare After Obama*, co-sponsored by SIU School of Law, SIU School of Medicine, Southern Illinois Healthcare, and Illinois State Bar Association Section on Health Law, Springfield, Illinois
- ISBA Council for Law School Deans (2016-2017)
- Global Outreach Committee, Southeastern Association of Law Schools (formerly International Committee) (2013-2019)
- Planning Committee, 2017 SIU Law Journal Symposium on *International Approaches to Prosecuting Terrorism*
- Fulbright Scholar Discipline Peer Review Committee (2012-2015)
- Fulbright International Education Administrators Program France (2015)

- Commissioner, Illinois Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism (2014-2021); Education Committee Chair (2017-21), Co-chair (2016-17); Executive Committee (2016-21)
- University Joint Benefits Committee, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (2015-2018)
- Planning Committee Chair, *Law & Medicine Down Under: Australia 2015*, Interdisciplinary Continuing Education Travel Abroad Program jointly sponsored by SIU School of Law and SIU School of Medicine in Australia (2014-2015)
- Honorary Degrees & Distinguished Service Awards Committee, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (2010-2013; 2014-2017)
- Planning Committee Chair, *Nuremberg's Legacy: Law, Medicine & Ethics*, Interdisciplinary Continuing Education Travel Abroad Program jointly sponsored by SIU School of Law and SIU School of Medicine in Germany (2013-2014)
- Library Affairs Committee, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (2013-2015)
- Faculty Innovative Curriculum Awards Committee, International Association of Law Schools (IALS) (2013-2015)
- Planning Subcommittee, AALS Section for the Law School Dean Open Program for Law School Deans, Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting 2014
- Civil and Environmental Engineering Program Review Committee, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (2013-2014)
- Prospective Law Teachers Workshop Committee, Southeastern Association of Law Schools (2013-2014)
- Chair, AALS Section on Women in Legal Education Annual Meeting Luncheon Program Planning Committee (2013-2014; 2014-2015)
- Deans Advisory Committee, Illinois Supreme Court Access to Justice Commission (2012-present)
- Law Day Committee, Jackson County Bar Association (Illinois) (2012-2013)
- Student Speaker Awards Committee, International Association of Law Schools & Law School Admissions Council (2012-2013)
- Speakers Committee, International Association of Law Schools (2012-2013)
- Finance and Legal Affairs Committee, Law School Admissions Council (2011-2013)
- Chair, College of Agricultural Sciences Dean Search Committee, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (2011-2012)

- Social Media Policy Committee, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (2011-2012)
- Faculty Advisor, SIU School of Law Student Bar Association (2010-2017)
- Chair, College of Engineering Dean Search Committee, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (2010-2011)
- Provost Search Committee, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (2010-2011)
- North American Law Deans' Forum Participant, International Association of Law Schools (2012)
- International Legal Exchange (ILEX), Jordan/Lebanon Planning Committee, American Bar Association Section of International Law (2010-2011)
- Legal Education Specialist, American Bar Association Rule of Law Initiative, Legal Education Reform Project, Amman Jordan (Spring 2010)
- Fulbright Final Selection Committee, Germany Stipend 2010-2011 German-American Fulbright Commission (committee to select German students to receive Fulbright Scholarship to study in the United States)
- Co-editor, Civil Procedure & Federal Courts (a Law Professor Blogs Network Weblog)
- Founding Co-editor. Law Deans on Legal Education (a Law Professor Blogs Network Weblog)
- Board of Directors, Texas Re-Entry Services (2006-2008)
- Committee on Misconduct and Irregularities in the Law School Admission Process, Law School Admissions Council (2007- 2009)
 - o ad hoc sub-committee to consider proposals for changes to the LSAC statement regarding "Ethical Conduct in Applying to Law School" and the LSAC "Statement of Good Admissions and Financial Aid Practices"
- Law School Advisory Committee, Texas Access to Justice Commission (2006-2008)
- Diversity Committee, Tarrant County Bar Association (2006-2008)
- Lancaster Task Force (committee of city officials and business leaders to plan and monitor the revitalization of the "Lancaster Corridor" area of downtown Fort Worth) (2006-2008)
- ABA Ethics 2000 Advisory Committee (1998-2003)
- Reviewer for Aspen Publishing Company

- ABA Commission on Women, Project on Gender Equality in Legal Education, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law Faculty Liaison (1998-1999)
- Judge, Colleyville Heritage High School Winter Debate Invitational (1999 & 2000)
- Strategic Planning Committee, The Barbara Gordon Montessori School, Colleyville, Texas (1998-1999)
- Judge, Texas Undergraduate Moot Court Association (1997)
- Technical Consultant, Ohio Committee of Bar Examiners (1995)
- Bylaws Committee, Associate of Legal Writing Directors (1996)

SELECTED AWARDS

- SIU Law Class of 2021 Outstanding Faculty Member Award
- Fulbright Specialist Roster (2018-2023)
- Fulbright International Education Administrators Award—France (2015)
- Fulbright Senior Scholar Award—Germany (2009-2010)
- 2015 Shattering the Glass Ceiling Award (given by Southern Illinois University School of Law Women's Law Forum)
- 2009 Richard Gershon Leadership Award (given by Texas Wesleyan University School of Law Alumni Association)
- 2008 Texas Wesleyan University School of Law Alumni Association Leadership Award
- 2007 State Bar of Texas Best News Article Award (for *Texas Wesleyan Law School and Its Public Service Partnerships*, Tarrant County Bar Bulletin, December 2006)

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Bar Association
- Tarrant County Bar Foundation (Texas), Life Fellow
- Tarrant County Bar Association (Texas) (1997-2010)
- Tarrant County Women Lawyers (Texas) (1997-2010)
- Dallas Bar Association (2005-2010)

- Rotary Club of Fort Worth (2007-2009)
- Illinois State Bar Association (2010-2021)
- Jackson County Bar Association (Illinois) (2010-2021)
- Southern Illinois American Inn of Court (2011-2021)
- Williamson County Bar Association (Illinois) (2010-2021)
- Fulbright Association
- Women Lawyers' Association of Greater St. Louis
- International Association of Law Schools
- National Association of Women Lawyers

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL WORKSHOPS & TRAINING PROGRAMS

- SafeZone Trainer Certification Training 2015
- Center for Advancement and Support of Education, Development for Deans, 2007
- ABA Law School Deans' Development Conference, 2008, 2010, and 2012
- ABA New Law Deans' Workshop, 2006 and 2010
- ABA Annual Law Deans' Workshop, 2007, 2008, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016
- Multiculturalism Workshop, Universität Bayreuth, Bayreuth, Germany, 2009

BAR ADMISSIONS

- State Bar of California, admitted to practice 1988
- Supreme Court of the United States
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- United States District Court for the Central District of California