

# RENEE NEWMAN KNAKE

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## EDUCATION

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW SCHOOL, J.D., 1999

NORTH PARK COLLEGE, Chicago, IL, 1996, *Summa Cum Laude*  
B.A. Communication Arts & Economics

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## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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### UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

#### *Law Center*

Professor of Law and the Larry and Joanne Doherty Chair of Legal Ethics (2016-present)

*Administrative Leadership*: Director, Law Center Outcomes and Assessments (2017-present)

*Teaching*: Constitutional Law; Professional Responsibility

*Service*: Promotion and Tenure (2017-18); Diversity, Inclusion and Equality (2017-18);  
Lateral Appointments (2016-17); Student Affairs (2016-17); 1L faculty mentor (2016-18)

#### *College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences*

Faculty Affiliate, Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program (2017-present)

### MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

#### *College of Law*

Foster Swift Professor of Legal Ethics (2015-2016); Professor of Law (2014-2016);  
Associate Professor (2011-14, tenured 2013); Assistant Professor (2009-11); Lecturer in Law  
(2007-09); Visiting Professor (2006-07)

*Administrative Leadership*: Co-Director, Kelley Institute of Ethics and the Legal Profession  
(2011-2016); Director, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Law Practice Summer Program in London, UK (2011-  
14); Co-Founder, ReInvent Law Laboratory for Law, Technology, Innovation, and  
Entrepreneurship (2012-14) (secured over \$250,000 in grant funding and private donations)

*Teaching*: Constitutional Law Topics—Freedom of Expression; Entrepreneurial Lawyering;  
Federal Jurisdiction; Foundations of Law; First Amendment and Lawyers' Speech;  
Professional Responsibility; 21<sup>st</sup> Century Law Practice—New Models and Markets

*Service*: Appointments (2011-12, 2014, Chair 2015-16); Search, Dean of Career Services  
(2014); Promotion Advisory Committee (2013-14); Curriculum (2013-14); University  
College Honors Program (2012-16); Admissions (2012-13); Law Journals (2009-11)

#### *Honors College*

Professor of Law (2014-15)

*Teaching*: Honors Research Seminar

#### *Eli Broad College of Business*

Associate Professor (2013-14)

*Teaching*: Legal, Ethical and Intellectual Property Issues in Big Data Analytics

### STANFORD LAW SCHOOL, CENTER ON THE LEGAL PROFESSION, Palo Alto, CA

Scholar-in-Residence (2015 sabbatical leave)

### AMERICAN BAR FOUNDATION, Chicago, IL

Visiting Scholar (2015 sabbatical leave)

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## PUBLICATIONS

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### Books

1. *SHORTLISTED: MODERN LESSONS FROM WOMEN CONSIDERED FOR THE SUPREME COURT BEFORE SANDRA DAY O’CONNOR*, with Hannah Brenner (forthcoming New York University Press)
2. *LEGAL ETHICS FOR THE REAL WORLD—BUILDING SKILLS THROUGH CASE STUDY*, with Ellen Murphy (forthcoming Foundation Press)
3. *PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY: A CONTEMPORARY APPROACH*, 3RD ED. with Russ Pearce, Bruce Green, Ellen Murphy, Sung Kim, Peter Joy, and Laurel Terry (West Publishing 2017)

### Articles

1. *The Legal Monopoly*, WASHINGTON LAW REVIEW (forthcoming 2018)
2. *Lawyer Speech in the Regulatory State*, 84 FORDHAM LAW REVIEW 2099 (2016)
3. *Legal Information, the Consumer Law Market, and the First Amendment*, 82 FORDHAM LAW REVIEW 2843 (2014)
  - Notable citation: *The Lawyer as Public Figure for First Amendment Purposes*, 57 BOSTON COLLEGE LAW REVIEW 1543, 1596 (2016)
4. *Democratizing Legal Education*, 45 CONNECTICUT LAW REVIEW 1281 (2013)
  - Reviewed in JOURNAL OF THINGS WE LIKE LOTS (JOTWELL) Apr. 29, 2013
5. *Democratizing the Delivery of Legal Services*, 73 OHIO STATE LAW JOURNAL 1 (2012)
  - Winner, Association of American Law Schools PR Section Paper Competition (2012)
  - Notable citation: *Private Ordering and the Market for Legal Services*, 94 BOSTON UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 179, 230 (2014)
6. *Rethinking Gender Equality in the Legal Profession: A Study on Media Coverage of Supreme Court Nominees*, 84 TEMPLE LAW REVIEW 325 (2012) (with Hannah Brenner)
  - Winner, Association of American Law Schools New Voices in Gender Competition (2012)
7. *Attorney Advice and the First Amendment*, 68 WASHINGTON & LEE LAW REVIEW 639 (2011)
  - Notable citations: *Professional Speech*, 125 YALE LAW JOURNAL 1238, 1246 (2016); *The “Speech Integral to Criminal Conduct” Exception*, 101 CORNELL LAW REVIEW 981, 1043 (2016)
8. *The Supreme Court’s Increased Attention to the Law of Lawyering: Mere Coincidence or Something More?* 59 AMERICAN UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 1499 (2010) (lead article)
  - Notable citation: *Brief of the Association of Professional Responsibility Lawyers as Amicus Curiae, Rubashkin v. United States*, US Supreme Court No. 11-1203 (2012)
9. *From Research Conclusions to Real Change: Understanding the First Amendment’s (Non)Response to the Effects of Media on Children*, 63 SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 101 (2010)
  - Notable citation: *The Child Paradox in First Amendment Doctrine*, 87 NEW YORK UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 1414, 1422 (2012)

## **PUBLICATIONS continued**

### **Essays/Reviews**

1. *Abolishing Death*, DUKE JOURNAL OF CONSTITUTIONAL LAW & PUBLIC POLICY (forthcoming 2018)
2. *Legal and Ethical Impediments to Data Sharing and Integration Among Medical Legal Partnership Participants*, ANNALS OF HEALTH LAW (forthcoming 2018) (with Jessica Mantel)
3. *Shortlisted*, 24 UCLA WOMEN'S LAW JOURNAL 67 (2017) (with Hannah Brenner)
4. *The Commercialization of Legal Ethics*, 29 GEORGETOWN JOURNAL OF LEGAL ETHICS 715 (2016)
  - Reviewed in JOURNAL OF THINGS WE LIKE LOTS (JOTWELL) Nov. 21, 2016
5. *What We Know and Need to Know About "Access to Justice" Research*, 67 SOUTH CAROLINA LAW REVIEW 193 (2016) (with Elizabeth Chambliss and Robert Nelson)
6. *A Taxonomy of Lawyer Regulation*, LEGAL ETHICS (2014) (peer reviewed) (with Russell Pearce and Noel Semple)
7. *Cultivating Learners Who Will Invent the Future of Law Practice: Some Thoughts on Educating Entrepreneurial and Innovative Lawyers*, 38 OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 1 (2012)
8. *Gender and the Legal Profession's Pipeline to Power*, 2012 MICHIGAN STATE LAW REVIEW 1419 (2012) (with Hannah Brenner)
9. *Why the Law Needs Music: Revisiting NAACP v. Button through the Songs of Bob Dylan*, 38 FORDHAM URBAN LAW JOURNAL 110 (2011)
10. *The Progress of Women in the Legal Profession*, 29 PACE LAW REVIEW 293 (2009) (book review for special issue devoted to women lawyers, reviewing Mary Jane Mossman's THE FIRST WOMEN LAWYERS and Jean McKenzie Leiper's BAR CODES)
11. *Resolving Ethical Dilemmas in James Welch's The Indian Lawyer*, 33 AMERICAN INDIAN LAW REVIEW 13 (2008-09)
12. *Beyond Atticus Finch: Lessons on Ethics and Morality from Lawyers and Judges in Postcolonial Literature*, 32 JOURNAL OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION 37 (2008)

### **Online Essays**

1. *How Big Data Analytics is Changing Legal Ethics*, BLOOMBERG LAW (2016)
2. *Why Law Students Should Be Thinking About Entrepreneurship and Innovation in Legal Services*, BLOOMBERG LAW (2012)
3. *Contemplating Free Speech and Congressional Efforts to Constrain Legal Advice*, 37 RUTGERS LAW RECORD 12 (2010)
4. *Prioritizing Professional Responsibility and the Legal Profession: A Preview of the United States Supreme Court's 2009 Term*, 5 DUKE JOURNAL OF CONSTITUTIONAL LAW & PUBLIC POLICY SIDEBAR 1 (2009)

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## SELECT PRESENTATIONS

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### Lectures

- *BYU Law School Future of Law Annual Lecture Series*, Oct. 18, 2017
- *University of Houston Law Center Yale Rosenberg Annual Lecture*, March 23, 2017
- *Pace Law School Annual Phillip A. Blank Lecture on Attorney Ethics*, March 18, 2013

### Keynote Addresses

- *South Carolina Law Review Symposium on Legal Education*, Feb. 28, 2014
- *Association of Professional Responsibility Lawyers Annual Meeting*, Aug. 8, 2013
- *University of Oregon Law School Judge Helen Frye Tribute*, Apr. 5, 2013

### Competitively Chosen Presentations

- *Duke Journal of Constitutional Law and Public Policy Symposium*, forthcoming Feb. 2, 2018
- *Loyola Law School Chicago Annual Symposium on Health Law & Policy*, Nov. 10, 2017
- *The Antigua Forum*, Guatemala, Jan. 20-21, 2017
- *Yale Law School Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference*, May 2, 2015
- *Georgetown University Law Center for the Study of the Legal Profession*, Apr. 12, 2013
- *AALS Annual Meeting Professional Responsibility Program*, Washington, DC, Jan. 6, 2012
- *AALS Annual Meeting New Voices in Gender Program*, Washington, DC, Jan. 5, 2012
- *Washington and Lee University Junior Faculty Workshop on Children & Law*, July 16, 2009
- *MSU National Conference: Consumer Culture & Ethical Treatment of Children*, Nov. 12, 2009

### Invited Talks

- *South Texas College of Law*, Sept. 28, 2017
- *University of Kansas Faculty Series*, Sept. 13, 2017
- *Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law*, Apr. 8, 2017
- *Touro Law Review Brandeis Symposium*, March 31, 2016
- *Georgetown Journal of Legal Ethics Colloquium*, March 18, 2016
- *Fordham Law Review Symposium*, Oct. 25, 2015
- *National Conference of Bar Presidents*, Chicago, Aug. 1, 2015
- *Gruter Institute Conference on Innovation and Growth*, May 27, 2015
- *Stanford Law School*, Apr. 30, 2015
- *ABA Standing Committee on Public Education*, Apr. 10, 2015
- *American Bar Foundation*, Apr. 8, 2015
- *University of Maryland School of Law*, March 27, 2015
- *Washington & Lee Law School Faculty Workshop*, Nov. 17, 2014
- *American Bar Association Annual Meeting*, Boston, Aug. 9, 2014
- *University of Arizona Law School Faculty Speaker Series*, Apr. 17, 2014
- *American University Washington College of Law Faculty Workshop*, March 21, 2014
- *Fordham Law Review Symposium on Lawyers' Monopoly*, Oct. 18, 2013
- *George Mason Law School Research Roundtable*, Sept. 20, 2013
- *University of Florida Law School*, Sept. 12, 2013
- *Legal Services Board*, London, UK, June 12, 2013
- *Gruter Institute Conference on Innovation and Growth*, May 21, 2013

## **SELECT PRESENTATIONS continued**

### **Invited Talks continued**

- *Northeastern University Law School Faculty Colloquium*, March 29, 2013
- *Stanford Law School*, March 6, 2013
- *Connecticut Law Review Symposium on Future of Legal Education*, Nov. 16, 2012
- *Northeastern Law School Symposium on Experiential Education in Law*, Oct. 27, 2012
- *Vermont Law School*, Oct. 26, 2012
- *Gruter Institute Conference on Innovation and Growth*, May 22, 2012
- *Ohio Northern Law Review Symposium*, March 26, 2012
- *University of Tennessee College of Law Faculty Workshop*, Feb. 9, 2012
- *AALS Annual Meeting*, Washington DC, Jan. 5, 2012
- *Michigan State Law Review Symposium*, Sept. 9, 2011
- *University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law*, Apr. 8, 2011
- *Fordham Law Urban Law Journal Symposium*, Apr. 5, 2011
- *Michigan State University Sandra Seaton Roundtable*, November 11, 2010
- *University of Illinois College of Law Faculty Workshop*, Aug. 26, 2010
- *ABA Annual Conference on Professional Responsibility*, Seattle, June 4, 2010
- *Society for the Study of Midwestern Literature Annual Meeting*, East Lansing, May 7, 2009
- *Society for the Study of Midwestern Literature Annual Meeting*, East Lansing, May 8, 2008
- *MSU College of Law Indigenous Law and Policy Center*, October 19, 2007

### **Conference Presentations**

- *Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting*, Aug. 3 2017
- *Law and Society Annual Meeting*, Mexico City, June 22, 2017
- *Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting*, Aug. 5, 2016
- *International Legal Ethics Conference VII*, Fordham Law School, July 14, 2016
- *International Legal Ethics Conference VI*, City Law School London, July 11, 2014
- *Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting*, July 29, 2012.
- *International Legal Ethics Conference V*, University of Calgary, July 13, 2012
- *Arizona State University College of Law Junior Scholars Conference*, March 17, 2012
- *Indiana University School of Law Big Ten Untenured Conference*, Aug. 3, 2011
- *Law and Society Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA, June 7, 2011
- *Association for the Study of Law, Culture and Humanities Conference*, UNLV, March 11, 2011
- *Loyola Constitutional Law Colloquium*, Loyola University Chicago, Nov. 5, 2010
- *International Legal Ethics Conference V*, Stanford Law School, July 16, 2010
- *Law and Society Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL, May 29, 2010
- *International Legal Ethics Conference III*, University of Queensland and Griffith University, Gold Coast, Australia, July 15, 2008
- *Association for the Study of Law, Culture and Humanities Conference*, Georgetown University, March 24, 2007

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## SELECT CONSULTING/CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

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### **CLE – Alternative Fee Arrangements and Litigation Financing**

- *ABA Business Law Annual Meeting*, Chicago (2017)

### **CLE – The New Duty of Competence and Hot Topics in Conflicts of Interest**

- *PretiFlaherty Annual In-House Ethics Institute*, Portland, Maine (2017)

### **CLE – A Legal Ethics Agenda for Big Data Analytics**

- *Transportation Law Institute*, Houston (2016)
- *Houston Intellectual Property Law Association Annual Institute on Intellectual Property*, Galveston, Texas (2016)
- *Intellectual Property Owners Annual Meeting*, New York (2016)

### **CLE – The ABA Report on the Future of Legal Services in the United States**

- *ABA Annual Meeting*, San Francisco (2016)

### **Consulting – *In re Slaughter*, 480 S.W.3<sup>rd</sup> 842 (2015)**

- Consulting expert in support of successful reversal of discipline by the State Commission on Judicial Conduct for judge's comments on social media.
- Testified before Texas Supreme Court Special Court of Review

### **CLE – Medical Marijuana: First Amendment and Ethical Issues**

- *Cobalt LLP CLE Panel*, Berkeley (2011)

### **Consulting – Conflicts of Interest**

- Consulting expert including issuance of opinion letters for various conflicts of interest matters.

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## CONFERENCES/LECTURES ORGANIZED

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- *Kelley Institute of Ethics and the Legal Profession Annual Lecture Series* (1) Chief Judge Jonathan Lippman (2015); (2) Justice Michael Cavanagh and Governor James Blanchard (2014); (3) Senator Carl Levin (2013); (4) Prof. Richard Susskind (2012); (5) Attorney General Lisa Madigan (2011); (6) Prof. Deborah Rhode (2010); (7) Prof. David Wilkins (2009).
- *ReInvent Law Conference Series* (1) University of Westminster, London (June 2014); (2) Great Hall, Cooper Union, New York, NY (Feb. 2014); (3) CBI Centre, London (June 2013); (4) Computer History Museum, Mountain View, CA (March 2013); (5) Dubai International Financial Centre for Excellence (Dec. 2012); (6) CBI Centre, London (June 2012).
- “Gender and the Legal Profession’s Pipeline to Power,” *Michigan State University Law Review Symposium*, Detroit, MI, Apr. 12-13, 2012.
- “Legal Education’s Response to Economic Realities Facing the Profession,” *Legal Ethics Forum Blog*, Feb. 2012.
- “Workshop on Changes in Law Practice; Implications for Legal Education,” *AALS Annual Meeting*, Washington, DC, Jan. 5, 2012.
- “The U.S. Supreme Court’s Increased Attention to the Law of Lawyering: Mere Coincidence or Something More?” *AALS Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, LA, Jan. 7, 2010. Competitively selected as Hot Topic Panel by AALS Executive Committee.

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## GRANTS/AWARDS

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- Award. Named fellow to the American Bar Foundation, “an honorary organization of attorneys, judges, law faculty, and legal scholars whose public and private careers have demonstrated outstanding dedication to the welfare of their communities and to the highest principles of the legal profession, ... limited to one percent of lawyers licensed to practice in each jurisdiction” (2016-present).
- Grant (\$6,000). Received MSU Undergraduate Honors Research Seminar Grant (2014-15).
- Award. Named as an American Bar Association Journal “Legal Rebel,” an “annual honors program for the change leaders of the legal profession” (2013).
- Award. Named as one of the Fastcase 50, an award that “recognizes 50 of the smartest, most courageous innovators, techies, visionaries, and leaders in the law” (2013).
- Award. Recipient of the Innovation Award from the College of Law Practice Management, honoring “lawyers, law firms, and other deliverers of legal services who are currently engaged in some extraordinary innovative efforts” (2013).
- Grant (\$150,000). Received grant from the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation for projects related to technology, innovation, and entrepreneurship in legal services (2012-14).
- Grant. Received Purdue Pre-Tenure Fellowship to fund attendance at Annual Conference for Pre-Tenure Women at Purdue University (2010).
- Grant. Received National Institute for Teaching Ethics and Professionalism Fellowship to fund attendance at annual conference (2009).
- Grant (\$2,000). Received grant to support research on ethical treatment of children from Michigan State Children’s Research Collaborative and the Michigan Children’s Trust (2009).

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## PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

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### **Responsive Law**

*Board of Directors* (2016-present)

### **American Bar Association**

*Reporter*, ABA Presidential Commission on the Future of Legal Services (2014-2016)

### **State Bar of Michigan**

*Co-Chair*, Regulatory Reform, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Law Practice Task Force (2015-2016)

*Advisor*, Standing Committee on Lawyers and Judges Assistance (2009-10)

### **World Economic Forum**

*Delegate*, Global Agenda Councils on Rule of Law (2013-14) and Justice (2014-16)

### **The Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI)**

*Board of Directors* (2014-2016)

### **Association of American Law Schools**

*Treasurer*, Professional Responsibility Section (2017-18)

*Nominating Committee*, Leadership Section (2017)

*Executive and Nominating Committees*, Professional Responsibility Section (2010-13)

*Planning Committee*, Annual Meeting Workshop on Changes in Law Practice (2011-12)

### **International Association of Legal Ethics**

*Chair*, Outreach Committee (2012-14)

### **Referee/Outside Reviewer**

*Yale Law Journal* (2015)

*International Review of Law and Economics Journal* (2013)

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## SELECT MEDIA

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- Mentioned in *Above the Law*, “Michigan State College of Law Ranks Number One: The Law School at the Forefront of Emerging Technologies,” Aug. 30, 2017.
- Interviewed in *60db Podcast*, “Talk to My Robot Lawyer,” July 25, 2017.
- Interviewed in *Houston Public Media*, “Briefcase: Access to Justice,” Jan. 11, 2107.
- Quoted in *The Lawyerist*, “Big, Unanswered Questions on Big Data and Ethical Obligations,” Sept. 29, 2016.
- Quoted in *Corporate Counsel*, “In-House Lawyer’s DQ in Patent Case Offers Lessons for Legal Departments,” Sept. 20, 2016.
- Mentioned in *Bloomberg Big Law Business*, “Good and Bad News from the ABA Futures Report,” Sep. 6, 2016.
- Quoted in *Law360*, “5 Conversations Lawyers Should Avoid at Work, Aug. 25, 2016.
- Mentioned in *Above the Law*, “This Week in Legal Tech,” Aug. 22, 2016.
- Interviewed in *All Things Considered, National Public Radio*, “Out of State Lawyers Descend on Flint, Mich., Aid Water Crisis,” Apr. 14, 2016.
- Quoted in *Macomb County Legal News*, “Experts: Used Wrongly, Social Media Can Sting,” Jan. 22, 2016.
- Quoted in *Texas Lawyer*, “Facebook Judge Gets New Trial in Judicial Ethics Matter,” July 23, 2015.
- Quoted in *Law360*, “US Law Firms Still Flirting with Going Public,” July 1, 2015.
- Entrepreneurial Lawyering class featured in *New York Times*, “This is Law School?” Aug. 1, 2014.
- Quoted and research featured in *ABA Journal*, “Best Way to Boost Access to Justice? Change Ethics Rules,” Sept. 1, 2013.
- Mentioned in *ABA Journal*, “Legal Rebels or Just Weavers of the New Normal Fabric?” June 26, 2013.
- Quoted in *American Lawyer*, “The Future of Law from Silicon Valley,” March 10, 2013.
- Quoted and research cited in *Wall Street Journal*, “Women Notch Progress: Females Now Constitute One-Third of Nation’s Ranks of Lawyers,” Dec. 5, 2012.
- Featured in *Detroit Legal News*, “Pipeline to Power Symposium explores gender equality in the legal profession,” Apr. 11, 2011.
- Contributor, *Truth on the Market Blog Symposium*, “Unlocking the Law: Deregulating the Legal Profession,” Sept. 19-20, 2011.
- Quoted in *Ingham County Legal News*, “MSU’s Frank J. Kelley Institute of Ethics sponsors lecture,” Aug. 29, 2011.
- Radio interview, KUCI 88.9FM, *The Docket* with Evan Simon, Aug. 11, 2011.
- Quoted in *California Lawyer Magazine*, “Full Disclosure: Investors at Gates,” Aug. 2011.
- Quoted in *ABA Journal*, “Seduced: For Lawyers, the Appeal of Social Media Is Obvious. It’s Also Dangerous,” Feb. 1, 2011.
- Quoted in *National Law Journal*, “Lawyering Suits Pile Up at High Court,” July 6, 2010.
- Author, Amicus, “The Supreme Court’s Recent Focus on Lawyering Cases,” 2010.
- Quoted in *National Law Journal*, “High Court Justices to Take Up Lawyer Ethics, Errors,” Sept. 28, 2009.
- Contributor to the *Legal Ethics Forum Blog*, 2009-present.



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## **AMICUS BRIEFS**

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- North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners v. Federal Trade Commission, No. 13-534 (U.S. 2014), Co-Signer and contributor to Amicus Brief of Law Professors, et al.
- Maples v. Thomas, No. 10-63 (U.S. 2011), Co-Signer to Amicus Brief of Legal Ethics Professors and Practitioners and the Ethics Bureau at Yale as Amicus Curiae in Support of Petitioner, cited by majority in Maples v. Thomas, 132 S.Ct. 912 (2012).
- Holland v. Florida, No. 09-532 (U.S. 2009), Co-Signer to Amicus Brief of Legal Ethics Professors and Practitioners and the Stein Center for Ethics in Support of Petitioner Albert Holland, cited by majority in Holland v. Florida, 130 S.Ct. 2549 (2010).

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## **LAW PRACTICE AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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### **Piedmont Virginia Community College, Charlottesville, VA**

Assistant Professor (Jan. – Apr. 2005)

Taught business law course.

### **Office of the City Attorney, Charlottesville, VA**

Assistant City Attorney (Dec. 2001 – Apr. 2005)

One of four attorneys responsible for advising and representing all city departments, officials, boards, agencies, and employees on a wide variety of civil matters. Areas of responsibility included zoning, parks, housing authority, state legislation, police, economic development, cable, workers' compensation, foster care, and social services.

### **Hunton & Williams, Richmond, VA**

Associate (Jan. 2001 – Dec. 2001)

Defended and advised businesses and corporations engaged in litigation involving telecommunications, corporate governance, derivative suits, and consumer protection. Served as pro bono counsel for the Commonwealth of Virginia in child support cases.

### **Mayer, Brown & Platt, Chicago, IL**

Associate (Aug. 1999 – Dec. 2000); Summer Associate (1998)

Defended management in labor/employment litigation and general corporate litigation. Prepared cases for trial by conducting discovery, writing motions/briefs, taking depositions, drafting witness exams and opening/closing statements, and composing pretrial pleadings.

### **Debevoise & Plimpton, Washington, DC**

Summer Associate (1998)

Worked for corporate, banking, and litigation groups (permanent offer extended).

### **Professor Stephen Schulhofer, University of Chicago Law School, Chicago, IL**

Research Assistant (1997-98)

Conducted research for and edited book, UNWANTED SEX: CULTURE OF INTIMIDATION AND FAILURE OF LAW (Harvard 1998).

### **Mandel Legal Aid Clinic, University of Chicago Law School, Chicago, IL**

Law Clerk (1997)

Worked with anti-poverty child support project on legislative and court reforms.

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**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

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- Parent Volunteer, Donley Elementary (2010-14), Whitehills Elementary (2014-2015)
- East Lansing School Board, K-8 Facilities Committee (2010-11)
- Commissioner, City of East Lansing Zoning Board of Appeals (2009-10)
- Vice Chair and Commissioner, City of East Lansing Cable Commission (2006-08)

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**ADMITTED TO PRACTICE**

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Michigan (2006)

Virginia (2001-associate)

Illinois (1999-inactive)

Fourth and Seventh Circuits U.S. Court of Appeals

Northern District of Illinois