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Employment

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON LAW CENTER, Houston, Texas

Newell H. Blakely Professor of Law (since 2018).

[Assistant Professor 1990-96, Assoc. Professor 1996-99; Professor 1999-present, George Butler Research Professor of Law, 2000-2003; UH Law Foundation Professor of Law, 2003-2012; Alumnae College Professor of Law, 2012-2018.]

Past Administrative Positions:

Criminal Justice Institute Director, 2003-2021.

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs 01/2001-05/2002.

Director, Mexican Legal Studies Program, Mexico City, 1998-2000

Co-Principal Investigator, Keck Professionalism Initiative (1996)
(\$300,000 grant).

Honors: 2021 Faculty Distinction Award, University of Houston Law Alumni Association

2015 Distinguished Leadership in Teaching Excellence Award, University of Houston.

2003 Teaching Excellence Award, University of Houston.

2000 Ethel M. Baker Faculty Award.

Subjects: Criminal Law; Criminal Procedure; Evidence; Seminar: Hot Topics in Criminal Law and Procedure; Seminar: Wrongful Convictions; Seminar: Sentencing; Federal Criminal Law; Seminar: Prisoners' Rights and Prison Reform; Criminal Law Issues in U.S.-Mexico Relations; Legal Analysis

Education

YALE LAW SCHOOL, J.D., 1988.

Activities: *Yale Law Journal*, senior editor.

YALE UNIVERSITY, B.A. Economics, 1985.

Community Honors

2023 Lifetime Achievement Award, Hispanic Bar Association of Houston.

2020 Mayor's Hispanic Heritage Education in the Community Award (Oct. 2020, City of Houston).

MUSTANG LEGEND, Awarded by J.W. Nixon High School 2014.

PRIMERA AWARD, Hispanic National Bar Association, October 7, 2011 (recognized as the first tenured Latina law professor in the State of Texas; tenured since 1996).

2009 TOP 25 WOMEN OF VISION AWARD by *Hispanic Business Magazine*

HISPANIC BAR ASSOCIATION—HOUSTON, PRESIDENT'S AWARD 1994, in recognition of organizing city-wide law student mentorship program. **EXCELLENCE AWARD** 1995 and 1996. In recognition of coordinating the law student mentorship and scholarship program.

KEY TO THE CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS. March 31, 1989. For promoting voting rights of minorities.

AMERICAN G.I. FORUM, PRESIDENT'S AWARD, 1989. For promoting voting rights of non-English-speaking Americans.

Harry S. Truman Scholar, State of Texas, 1983. For public service and academic achievement.

Professional and Community Activities

Member of New York State Bar (admitted 1988).

Admitted to practice in United States Supreme Court (1999).

Appointed as Deputy Monitor for Federal District Court overseeing the Consent Decree in ODonnell v. Harris County (2020-2027).

Appointed as Monitor for Federal District Court overseeing the Consent Decree in Lomas v. Harris County (2017-2020).

Elected to the Council of the International Association of Evidence Science (2019-present).

Vice Chair of the Board of Directors, Houston Forensic Science Center (2015-2019) (member from 2012-2019).

Chair, Harris County District Attorney Kim Ogg's Transition Team, Evidence Integrity Committee (Mar. 2017).

Chair, Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner's Transition Team, Criminal Justice Committee (Jan.-Mar. 2016).

Member, Timothy Cole Advisory Panel on Wrongful Convictions (panel formed by Texas Legislature to conduct investigation and submit recommendations) (2009-2011) (selected as representative of Texas public law schools).

Elected Member, The American Law Institute (1999-present). Appointed as Advisor of Model Penal Code: Sentencing Project (2000-present).

Mentor on Scholarship, Southeast Association of Law Schools, June 2012 (served as a mentor by critiquing the paper of a junior faculty mentor through a mentorship program).

Chair, ABA Death Penalty Assessment Team (Texas) (2004-2005).

Member, Houston Bar Foundation (2004-present).

Chair, Association of American Law Schools, Criminal Justice Section (2000-2001), Executive Committee Member, (1993-present). Planning Committee Member, Criminal Justice Section Conference (1999-2000).

Member, American Bar Association, Criminal Justice Section, Forfeiture, Civil Remedies and RICO Committee. Working group to provide detailed analysis of recent forfeiture reform proposals for ABA to present to Congress (1999-2000).

Liaison, American Bar Association, Criminal Justice Section and Association of American Law Schools, Criminal Justice Section (2000-2001).

Board of Editors, Criminal and Civil Forfeiture Law Reporter (1995).

Member of the Staff Diversity Task Force of the Texas Commission on Judicial Efficiency, appointed by Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice Tom Phillips (1995-96).

Member, Leadership Texas Class of 1999. Women's organization that provides leadership training to select group of women from around the state.

Member, Houston Bar Association, Criminal Justice Section (1995-2000), Planning Committee for Criminal Justice Bench-Bar Conference (1995-96).

Consultant to DEA Special Agent-in-charge Farrone. (May 1996). Provided instruction to DEA agents on law relating to the forfeiture of real property assets involved in year-long investigation.

Houston Hispanic Bar Association, Board of Directors (1990-2006). Founder and co-organizer of a city-wide mentorship program between Hispanic attorneys and Hispanic law students (1992-2000), administered three scholarship competitions (1991-2010).

Coordinator, Yale Law School Alumni Organization, Houston Chapter (1999-2005).

Board of Directors, Planned Parenthood of Houston and Southwest Texas (1992-94).

Hispanic National Bar Association (1990-1998), Law Student Award Committee (1991).

Publications

Books and Book Chapters:

A Systemic Approach to Systemic Problems: Responding to Irregularities in the Criminal Justice System (with R. Wicoff), in *WRONGFUL CONVICTIONS AND 25 YEARS OF THE DNA REVOLUTION* (Cambridge University Press, 2017) (D. Medwed, ed.).

COPS IN LAB COATS: CURBING WRONGFUL CONVICTIONS THROUGH INDEPENDENT FORENSIC LABORATORIES (Carolina Academic Press, 2015). [Book reviews: Brandon L. Garrett, *The Crime Lab in the Age of the Genetic Panopticon*, 115 MICH. L. REV. 979 (2017); Valena Elizabeth Beety, *Cops in Lab Coats and Forensics in the Courtroom*, 13 OHIO ST. J. CRIM. L. 543 (2016); Brandon L. Garrett, *The Genetic Panopticon: Even with DNA in hand, crime lab results are deeply flawed*, BOSTON REVIEW (Mar. 17, 2016)]

AMERICAN JUSTICE IN THE AGE OF INNOCENCE: UNDERSTANDING THE CAUSES OF WRONGFUL CONVICTIONS AND HOW TO PREVENT THEM (Sandra Guerra Thompson, Jennifer L. Hopgood & Hillary K. Valderrama, eds. 2011).

THE LAW OF ASSET FORFEITURE (2nd ed. 2005) (with J. Gurule and M. O’Hear) (LEXIS Law Publishing).

The Non-Discrimination Ideal of Hernandez v. Texas Confronts a “Culture” of Discrimination: The Amazing Story of Miller-El v. Texas, in "COLORED MEN and HOMBRES AQUI": *Hernandez v. Texas* and the Emergence of Mexican American Lawyering (Houston: Arte Publico Press, 2006) (Michael A. Olivas, ed.)

THE LAW OF ASSET FORFEITURE (1998) (with J. Gurule) (LEXIS Law Publishing).

Articles:

Justice Ginsburg’s Criminal Justice Legacy: Fair Tribunals, Fair Punishment (forthcoming ___ J. Crim. L. & Crim’y ___ (2024 (with S. Medlin).

Liberty, Safety, and Misdemeanor Bail, 76 FLA. L. REV. 321 (2023) (with B. Garrett, D. Carmichael & S. Kang).

The Causal Effect of Pretrial Detention: Evidence from Large-Scale Misdemeanor Bail Reform (submitted for peer-review publication, forthcoming 2023) (with S. Kang & B. Garrett).

Debiasing Criminal Justice (with N. Casarez) 31 WILLIAM AND MARY BILL OF RIGHTS JOURNAL 519 (2023).

Solving Daubert’s Dilemma for the Forensic Sciences through Blind Testing, 57 HOUS. L. REV. 101 (2019) (with N. Casarez) (symposium article).

Three Transformative Ideals for Building a Better Crime Lab, 34 GEORGIA ST. L. REV. 1007 (2018) (with N. Casarez) (invited symposium article).

Building the Infrastructure for “Justice through Science”: The Texas Model, 119 W. VIRGINIA L. REV. 100 (2016) (with N. Casarez) (invited symposium article).

Do Prosecutors Really Matter? A Proposal to Ban One-Sided Bail Hearings, 44 HOFSTRA L. REV. 1161 (2016) (invited symposium article).

Daubert Gatekeeping for Eyewitness Identifications, 65 SMU L. REV. 3 (2012).

Judicial Gatekeeping of Police-Generated Witness Testimony, 102 J. CRIM. L. & CRIMINOLOGY 329 (2012). The National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers selected this article to feature in its “Getting Scholarship Into Court” Project, published in *The Champion* (Nov. 2013).

Eyewitness Identifications and State Courts as Guardians against Wrongful Convictions, 7 OHIO ST. J. CRIM. L. 603 (2010) (solicited).

Judicial Blindness to Eyewitness Misidentification, 93 MARQUETTE L. REV. 639 (2009) (invited symposium article).

DOJ's Attack on Federal Judicial "Leniency," The Supreme Court's Response, and The Future of Sentencing, 44 TULSA L. REV. 519 (2009) (with S. Klein) (invited symposium article) (cited by the United States Supreme Court in the majority opinion in *Freeman v. United States*, 564 U.S. 522 (2011)).

What Price Justice? The Importance of Costs to Eyewitness Identification Reform, 41 TEXAS TECH LAW REVIEW 33 (2008) (invited symposium article).

Beyond a Reasonable Doubt?: Reconsidering Uncorroborated Eyewitness Identification Testimony, 41 U.C. DAVIS L. REV. 101 (2008). [included in the e-library of the Association in Defence of the Wrongly Convicted (AIDWYC) in Ontario, Canada, April 2016].

Immigration Law and Long-Term Residents: A Missing Chapter in American Criminal Law, 5 OHIO ST. J. CRIM. L. 645 (2008).

Latinas and Their Families in Detention: The Growing Intersection of Immigration Enforcement and Criminal Law, 14 WM. & MARY J. WOMEN & L. 1 (2008) (invited symposium article).

The Booker Project: The Future of Federal Sentencing, 43 HOUSTON LAW REVIEW 269 (2006) (invited symposium introduction).

Evading Miranda: How Seibert and Patane Failed to "Save" Miranda, 40 VALPARAISO LAW REVIEW 645 (2006) (invited symposium article).

The Non-Discrimination Ideal of Hernandez v. Texas Confronts a "Culture" of Discrimination: The Amazing Story of Miller-El v. Texas, 25 CHICANO-LATINO L. REV. 97 (2005) (invited symposium article).

Criminal Procedure (summary of Fifth Circuit decisions) (with E. Marrus), 35 TEX. TECH L. REV. 683 (2004) (invited annual issue).

The White Collar Police Force: "Duty to Report" Statutes in Criminal Law Theory, 11 WILLIAM AND MARY BILL OF RIGHTS JOURNAL 3 (2002) (invited symposium article).

Appendi's Unanswered Question: Is Failure to Charge an Element in an Indictment a Jurisdictional Error?, 37 CRIMINAL LAW BULLETIN 602 (2001) (peer-reviewed journal) (solicited).

Between a Rock and A Hard Place: Invoking The Fifth Amendment in Civil Asset Forfeiture Cases, 15 GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 555-600 (1999) (invited symposium article).

Family Values?: The Family As An Innocent Victim Of Civil Drug Asset Forfeiture, 81 CORNELL LAW REVIEW 343-392 (1996).

The Myth of Dual Sovereignty: Multijurisdictional Drug Law Enforcement and Double Jeopardy, 73 NORTH CAROLINA LAW REVIEW 1159-1210 (1995). Reprinted in CRIMINAL LAW REVIEW-1996 (Clark Boardman Callahan, publishers).

Reconciling Federal Asset Forfeitures And Drug Offense Sentencing, 78 MINNESOTA LAW REVIEW 805-856 (1994).

Domestic Drug Interdiction Operations: Finding the Balance, 82 JOURNAL OF CRIMINAL LAW AND CRIMINOLOGY 1109-1161 (1992).

Voting Rights and the Constitution: The Disenfranchisement of Non-English Speaking Citizens, 97 YALE LAW JOURNAL 1419-1437 (1988). Reprinted as a book chapter in: LATINOS IN THE UNITED STATES: HISTORY, LAW AND PERSPECTIVE, vol. 6 (Garland Publishing 1994) (Sedillo-Lopez, ed.).

Court-Ordered Reports

[Monitoring Pretrial Reform in Harris County: First Sixth Month Report of the Court-Appointed Monitor \(2020\)](#) (with B. Garrett, D. Carmichael & S. Kang).

[Monitoring Pretrial Reform in Harris County: Second Report of the Court-Appointed Monitor \(2021\)](#) (with B. Garrett, D. Carmichael & S. Kang).

[Monitoring Pretrial Reform in Harris County: Third Report of the Court-Appointed Monitor \(2021\)](#) (with B. Garrett, D. Carmichael & S. Kang).

[Monitoring Pretrial Reform in Harris County: Fourth Report of the Court-Appointed Monitor \(2022\)](#) (with B. Garrett, D. Carmichael & S. Kang).

[Monitoring Pretrial Reform in Harris County: Fifth Report of the Court-Appointed Monitor \(2022\)](#) (with B. Garrett, D. Carmichael & S. Kang).

[Monitoring Pretrial Reform in Harris County: Sixth Report of the court-Appointed Monitor \(2023\)](#). (with B. Garrett, D. Carmichael & S. Kang).

Short Pieces:

The Texas Firearm Carry Act of 2021, 60 THE HOUSTON LAWYER 28-30 (2022).

Advancing Social and Racial Justice Through Bail Reform, 58 THE HOUSTON LAWYER 14-16 (2020) (with Brandon L. Garrett).

Sentencing Guidelines in the US, A Primer, in 86 REFORM 45 (2005) (a journal of the Australian Law Reform Commission) (solicited).

Did the War on Drugs Die After 9/11?, 14 FEDERAL SENTENCING REPORTER 147 (2002).

Guest Editor's Observations: *Congressional Reform of Civil Forfeiture: Punishing Criminals Yet Protecting Property Owners*, 14 FEDERAL SENTENCING REPORTER 71 (2001).

Informal Dispositions, entry for ENCYCLOPEDIA OF CRIME AND JUSTICE (McMillian Re Reference 2000)

Book Review: Reconstructing the Truth About Justice, 8 CRIMINAL LAW FORUM 161 (1996).

The New Sentencing Entrapment and Sentencing Manipulation Defenses, 7 FEDERAL SENTENCING REPORTER 181-185 (1995).

Op Ed Pieces:

We need to Fix Forensics. But how? (by Radley Balko), WASHINGTON POST, six-part series from June-August, 2019 (publishing the discussions of several experts).

Mentally ill Texans need Medicaid Expansion, AUSTIN STATESMAN, Apr. 7, 2015 (with J. Mantel).

Area Police are Ignoring Rules on Eyewitnesses, HOUSTON CHRONICLE, Jan. 15, 2013.

Perry v. New Hampshire, Scotusblog, Oct. 19, 2011.

Memory Fails Us, NEW YORK TIMES, Sept. 1, 2011 (in "Room for Debate" feature).

Is it a New Era of Justice in Harris County?, HOUSTON CHRONICLE, Aug. 5, 2010 at B9.

Fallout from Duke case clouds future rape trials: New doubts from jury selection to victim credibility, HOUSTON CHRONICLE, Jun. 1, 2007.

It is Easy, and Wrong, to Blame Immigrants for Crime, HOUSTON CHRONICLE, Nov. 2, 2006 at B9.

In Fastow's Case the Punishment Fit the "Snitch," HOUSTON CHRONICLE, Oct. 3, 2006 at B11.

Selected Presentations

Legislative Presentations:

Testimony before the House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations, at a hearing on "The Future of Forensic Science in the United States," Mar. 31, 2017.

Testimony before Texas House Committee on County Affairs, *Racial Profiling by Texas DPS*, September 2016.

Testimony before Joint House Committees on County Affairs and Criminal Jurisprudence, *Public Safety Risks of a Money Bail System*, Sept. 2016.

Testimony before the Texas Senate Criminal Justice Committee, regarding pretrial release practices, Sept. 22, 2015.

Academic Presentations:

Panelist, *Misdemeanor Bail in Harris County*, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, April 26, 2024.

Panelist, *Justice and Health for All: The Future of Affirmative Action in Legal and Medical Education*, University of Houston Fertitta Family College of Medicine, April 12, 2024.

Speaker, *Law, Community and Social Justice Conference*, University of Houston Law Center, Sept. 22, 2023,

Speaker, *Misdemeanor Bail Reform in Harris County*, Centering [Racial] Disparities Conference, Rice University, May 18, 2023.

CLE, *Wrongful Convictions and Misidentifications*, Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, April 21, 2023 (Austin, Texas).

Panelist, *Justice Ginsburg as Criminal Justice Decider*, Holocaust Museum Houston, May 12, 2022.

Speaker, *De-Biasing Criminal Justice*, William and Mary Bill of Rights Journal Symposium, Mar. 4, 2022.

Public Event, *A Blueprint for Bail Reform*, Duke University, Mar. 18, 2021.

CLE, *De-Biasing Criminal Justice*, American Bar Foundation (ABA 2021 Midyear Meeting), Feb. 19, 2021 (panel on The Emotional Influence of Gruesome Photographs in the Courtroom)

CLE, *Solving Daubert's Dilemma for Forensic Science through Blind Testing*, Houston Bar Association, Nov. 2019.

Panelist, *Reforming the Crisis of Fines and Fees in Criminal Justice*, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Apr. 2018.

Panelist, *Three Transformative Ideals to Build a Better Crime Lab*, Georgia State University School of Law, Apr. 2018.

Panelist, *How Houston's Crime Lab is Transforming Criminal Justice*, AALS Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, Jan. 2018.

Speaker, *Building the Infrastructure for Justice through Science*, International Association of Forensic Sciences, Toronto, CA, Aug. 2017.

Speaker, *Forensic Science Ethics Roundtable*, University of Texas Law School, Apr. 14, 2017.

Speaker, *Why the Texas Legislature Should Support Bail Reform*, Conference hosted by the Texas Journal on Civil Liberties & Civil Rights, University of Texas School of Law, Jan. 27, 2017.

Speaker, *On the Logic and Fairness of Fines Calibrated to a Person's Income*, University of Texas at Austin School of Law, Stakeholder Meeting on Fines and Fees, sponsored by the Texas Civil Rights Clinic, Sept. 2016.

Speech, *Bail Reform in Texas and Harris County*, Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Earl Carl Institute for Legal and Social Policy, Mar. 2016.

Panelist, *Building the Infrastructure for "Justice through Science,"* West Virginia University Law School, Mar. 2016.

Panelist, *The Prosecutor as a Minister of Pretrial Justice*, AALS Annual Meeting, NY, Jan. 2016.

Panelist, *American Federal and State Civil Forfeiture Laws*, at Tilberg University School of Law, The Netherlands, Oct. 2015. (International Conference on Criminal and Terrorism Funding).

Panelist, *State Civil Forfeiture Practices and Racial Profiling*, William and Mary Law School, Brigham-Kanner Property Law Symposium, Oct. 2015.

Panelist, *Outbreaks of Injustice: Responding to Systemic Irregularities in the Criminal Justice System*, Northeastern University School of Law, Boston, MA, Sept. 2015.

Panelist, Taz Galaxy Symposium, Howard University School of Law, Wash. D.C., *On Bar Association Involvement as a Means of Law Reform*, Sept. 2014.

Panelist, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, *Federalism Issues in Reforming Forensic Science*, Aug. 2014.

Workshop Participant, *The Dilemma of Unscientific "Forensic Sciences,"* SMU Dedman School of Law, Dallas, Texas, Jan. 2014.

Panelist, *"The Paradox of the Ethical, But Biased Crime Lab Analyst,"* Law & Society Annual Meeting, Boston, Mass., June 2013.

Panelist, *On Criminal Law Pedagogy*, AALS Mid-Year Meeting of the Criminal Justice Section, San Diego, CA, June 2013.

Securing of Evidence in Criminal Cases, May 19, 2012, Istanbul Medeniyet University, Istanbul, Turkey.

Police-Generated Witness Testimony in Criminal Cases, May 17, 2012, Selcuk University, Konya, Turkey.

Panelist, SEALS Conference, *"Applying Daubert in Criminal Cases,"* July 2011, South Carolina.

Panelist, *Crimmigration*, Association of American Law Schools 2009 Annual Meeting, Criminal Justice Section.

Panelist, SEALS Conference, *"Issues in Admitting Eyewitness Identification Evidence,"* July 2009, Florida.

Presenter, Marquette Law Review Symposium, *"Judicial Blindness to Eyewitness Misidentification,"* June 2009, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Roundtable participant, *Criminal Law Pedagogy*, Tulane Law School, New Orleans, LA, Sept. 2009.

Presenter, Texas Tech Law Review Symposium, *"What Price Justice? The Importance of Costs in Eyewitness Identification Reform."* April 2008, Lubbock, Texas.

Lecture, *Beyond a Reasonable Doubt?: Reconsidering Eyewitness Identification Testimony*, International Society for the Reform of Criminal Law Annual Meeting, Vancouver, BC, June 2007.

Lecture, *Making a Course Real*, Institute for Law Teaching Summer Conference, Suffolk Univ. Law School, Boston, MA, June 2007 (on teaching about law practice and ethical dilemmas through substantive law courses).

Lecture, *Latinas and their Families in Detention: Caught in the Web of Post 9/11 National Security Concerns and Anti-Immigrant Politics*, William and Mary Law School, February 25, 2007.

Lecture, *Sentencing Guidelines in the United States after Booker*, May 18, 2005, Dalhousie Law School, Halifax, Nova Scotia (at the Conference of the National Consortium of Legal Education).

Symposium Lecture, *Evading Miranda: Ask First, Warn Later Practices and the Irony of Missouri v. Seibert*, Valparaiso School of Law, January 2005.

Symposium Lecture, *The Amazing Story of Miller-El v. Texas*, UHLC, November 2004.

Symposium Lecture, *The White Collar Police Force: "Duty to Report" Statutes in Criminal Law Theory*, William and Mary School of Law, March 2003 (invited), Williamsburg, Virginia..

Lecture, *Did the War on Drugs Die After 9/11?*, Association of American Law Schools, Criminal Justice Section, January 2002, New Orleans.

Symposium Lecture, *Invoking The Fifth Amendment in Civil Asset Forfeiture Cases*, Georgia State School of Law, 1999.

Lecture, *Civil Asset Forfeiture and Money Laundering*, Economic Crime Summit, Austin, TX, May 2000.

Community Presentations:

Misdemeanor Bail in Harris County: Race, Gender, and Vulnerable People, Harris County Office of Justice Safety conference, "Centering [Racial] Disparity and Highlighting Fairness within Harris County Criminal Justice System," Rice University, May 19, 2023.

Pretrial Justice in Harris County, Christ Church Cathedral—Houston, Conference on Slavery and its Many Legacies, May 15, 2021.

Monitoring Misdemeanor Bail Reform, National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies and Texas Association of Pretrial Services, Conference, April 29, 2021

Racial and Ethnic Justice and Pretrial Reform in Harris County, The Houston Seminar, Mar. 23, 2021 (part of the series called "The Many Names of Slavery").

Lecturer, *The Real CSI: Getting Forensic Science Right*, Yale '85 Speaker Series, Sept. 20, 2020.

Presenter, Rice University's Baker Institute for Public Policy Webinar, *The Changing Role of the Prosecutor in Harris County Bail Practices*, Sept. 16, 2020.

Lecturer, *The Real CSI: Getting Forensic Science Right*, Houston Museum of Natural Science, Feb. 11, 2020.

Town Hall Panelist, *Harris County Bail Bond Agreement*, Greater Houston Coalition for Justice, Feb. 6, 2020.

Panelist, *Why the Money Bail System is Bad Public Policy*, at a Rothko Chapel Symposium on Mass Incarceration, Feb. 15, 2017.

Panelist, ADL Panel Discussion on Criminal Justice Reform, Sept. 2016.

Panelist, TSU Panel Discussion on "Criminalizing Poverty," Sept. 2016.

Keynote Speaker, *Cops in Lab Coats*, Houston Community College, Nov. 2015.

Panelist, UHLC Program entitled, *Orange is the New Black*, Apr. 2015.

Panelist, UHLC CLE program entitled, *Grand Juries, Policing, and Civil Rights*, Feb. 2015.

Inaugural Lecturer, The Common Reader Speaker Program at the University of Houston Clear Lake. *Reforming the Practice of Forensic Science through Community Service*. Sept. 2014.

Panelist, after a screening of the film *La Jaula de Oro* (The Golden Dream), a film about the journey of unaccompanied minors from Central America to the United States. UH Dept. of Political Science, Oct. 2014.

Keynote address, Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration of the Houston District of the EEOC Oct. 2014.

Speaker, Laredo-Webb County Bar Association Meeting, *Scientific Evidence and Wrongful Convictions*. Aug. 2014.

The Evolution of Forensic Science and Exoneration Cases, February 2, 2013, Law and Media Seminar, Houston, Texas.

Presenter, National Workshop for District Judges, sponsored by the Federal Judicial Center, held in San Antonio, Texas (Sept. 2008) (presented on a panel with the Chairman of the Federal Sentencing Commission and a District Judge).

Lecture, *The Death Penalty in Texas*, Christ Church Cathedral, Houston, May 2000.

Lecture, *Evidence Issues in a Criminal Trial*, High School for Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement, April 2000.

Lecture, *The Problem of Racial Profiling*, M.D. Anderson Library, UH Department of Humanities and Fine Arts Speaker's Series. Fall 1999.

Panelist, ABA Conference, Race and Poverty in the Criminal Justice System, Atlanta (1999).

Lecture, *The American Criminal Justice System and Dealing with Computer Crimes*, series of lectures in Spanish on March 25-27, 1998 sponsored by the U. S. Embassy in Mexico City before audiences of research scholars, State Supreme Court Justices, state officials, prosecutors, and the Mexican equivalent of the DEA.

Lecture, *Family Values?: The Family As An Innocent Victim of Civil Asset Forfeiture*, Law & Humanities Symposium entitled "The Movable Boundaries Between Public and Private Life" at the University of Houston Law Center, Feb. 8, 1997.

Lecture, *Asset Forfeiture Law*, National Hispanic Bar Association Conference, Miami, Florida, Fall 1996.

Lecture, *Racial Issues and The Implications of the O.J. Simpson Case*, Houston Bar Association Criminal Bench-Bar Conference, April 19, 1996.

Lecture, *Addressing the Court: 104(a) and 104(b) Hearings*, National College of District Attorneys, Evidence for Prosecutors Conference, October 24, 1995, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Panelist, *Women as Professionals in the Criminal Justice System*, Conference sponsored by the University of Houston Criminal Justice Center, April 6, 1995.

Lecture, *Pictorial Evidence: Two Theories of Admissibility, and Matters of Privilege*, National College of District Attorneys, Evidence for Prosecutors Course, San Diego, Calif., March 1995.

Lecture, *Recent Changes In Texas Evidence Law*, Mexican American Bar Association CLE Program, March 1994.

University Service Activities

University Committees:

Provost's Ad Hoc Promotion and Tenure Policy Task Force (2014-2016); Provost's Ad Hoc Committee on the Hiring and Retention of Hispanic Faculty (2009-2014) Chair. UH

Chancellor and President Search Committee (2007). Law Center Dean Search (elected position) (1994-95) (2013-14). Substance Abuse Committee (1992-93). Police Advisory Board (1993-1996), Chair (1996-97).

Law Center Committees:

Executive Committee (elected position) (1993-1994), (1999-2000, 2005-2006, 2012-14). In addition to numerous committee assignments, I have served as chair of Appointments, Promotion and Tenure, and Curriculum.

Law Center Activities:

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs (2001-2002). Coordinator for State Employee Charitable Campaign (1998). Pre-Law Institute, Faculty Member (2007-2012) (pipeline program for minority college students). Founder and Chair, Ad Hoc Planning Committee for Teaching Methods Workshops (1995-1996). Advisor, Houston Law Review Frankel Lecture Symposium (1995-98). Faculty Mentor for First-Year Students in both part-time and full-time programs (1993-present). Faculty Advisor, Hispanic Law Students Association (1990-present), Criminal Law Association (2018-19).

Professional Experience

NEW YORK COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, New York, NY

Assistant District Attorney (Appeals Bureau and Trial Bureau 40), 1988-90

HUGHES HUBBARD & REED, L.L.P., New York, NY

Intern, Commercial Litigation, June 1987

COX & SMITH, L.L.P. San Antonio, TX Intern,
Commercial Litigation, July 1987

BROWN & WOOD, L.L.P., New York,
NY

Intern, Real Estate Law, Banking Law and Securities Litigation, June-August 1986

NEW HAVEN LEGAL ASSISTANCE, New Haven, CT

Intern, Entitlements Litigation. Jan.-May 1986

TEXAS RURAL LEGAL AID, Laredo, TX

Intern, Class Action Litigation, June-August 1985

FIRST BOSTON CORP., New York, NY

Intern, Petroleum Research Analysis, June-August 1984

Media Appearances, Blogs, and Podcasts

Podcast, *How the Hell is this Legal?*, on the use of uncharged offenses in sentencing (April 2021).

Podcast, *Emphasis Added* (Houston Law Review), regarding “Solving Daubert’s Dilemma for the Forensic Sciences through Blind Testing,” July 15, 2020 (with Nicole Casarez).

Contributing Editor, *Grits for Breakfast*, award-winning blog on criminal justice in Texas (since 2015).

Podcast: *The CAP Impact, From Worst to First*, May 30, 2019 at <https://www.stitcher.com/podcast/capimpact/the-capimpact-podcast/e/61475505> (on the blind testing program at Houston Forensic Science Center, as well as Houston’s bail reform lawsuit).

Podcast: *Lawyer 2 Lawyer*, Apr. 2017 at <https://legaltalknetwork.com/podcasts/lawyer-2lawyer/2017/04/aftermath-massachusetts-drug-lab-scandal-dismissal-21000-cases/> (on Massachusetts case of forensic fraud)

Podcast: *Undisclosed: The Killing of Freddie Gray*, May 11, 2017 at <https://www.stitcher.com/podcast/undisclosed-podcast/e/50132775?autoplay=true>

Podcast: *Excited Utterance* Podcast, Oct. 9, 2016 at <https://www.excitedutterancepodcast.com/listen/?offset=1477890000182> (on *Cops in Lab Coats* book)

Podcast: *Reasonably Suspicious*, 2015 (on *Cops in Lab Coats* book) (no longer available online)

Regular media appearances both locally as well as nationally on *National Public Radio*, *CNN*, *ABC News*, *The New York Times*, and the *Wall St. Journal*, as well as many other major newspapers. Interviewed by Spanish-language newspapers and television. Live radio and television interviews both in English and Spanish.