



## Co-Presidents' Message

We are writing this message to you shortly after the presidential election. In looking at previous CLEA Co-Presidents' messages, we see repeated references to significant challenges amid larger political and social issues here and abroad. While a more favorable outcome in the presidential election might have meant a lessening of those challenges rather than an escalation of them, the truth is that we have and will always face significant challenges in our line of work. We know what we need to sustain ourselves individually, and we know that cultivating community is crucial to moving forward together. We've been here before, and we know what to do.

We remain committed to protecting academic freedom, achieving equivalency in status for clinicians and our programs, developing clinical pedagogy for social change, and promoting diversity and inclusion within our profession. As you'll read about in this newsletter, our committees are continuing to lead the way in each of these areas and beyond.

We are also embarking on the development of a new strategic plan that acknowledges the complexities of our current era and positions us to effectively mentor and support the next generation of lawyers.



Gowri Krishna  
(Fordham)



June Tai  
(Iowa)

We look forward to seeing you at the upcoming AALS Conference on Clinical Education on April 26-29 in Baltimore, the theme of which—the Role of Lawyers and the Responsibilities of Clinical Teachers in Society—could not be more critical. CLEA's New Clinicians Conference will take place at the University of Baltimore on April 26th—we invite all new clinicians to register.

In solidarity,  
Gowri Krishna & June Tai  
CLEA Co-Presidents 2024-2025

### CLEA NEWSLETTER

- Updates from CLEA Committees
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## CLEA's Updated Statement on U.S. News and World Report Rankings for Clinical Programs

The Clinical Legal Education Association (CLEA) continues to oppose the ranking system used by U.S. News and World Reports (USNWR). CLEA exists to advocate for clinical legal education as fundamental to the education of lawyers, and one of our core points of advocacy is to pursue and promote justice and diversity as core values of the legal profession.

With regard to clinical rankings, the current USNWR ranking system places us in competition with each other, when we as a group see ourselves in a shared struggle for social justice and equity in legal education. There are no articulated factors for ranking clinical programs, including whether to recognize the work of externship programs, so the voting can be arbitrary and inconsistent. Moreover, some schools may unfairly suffer because they do not have the budget or the support of their administration to market their program or send their clinical faculty to annual conferences.

For clinic faculty who are in a position to take action against the use of USNWR rankings, possible alternatives to participating in the ranking of clinical programs could include: (1) declining to submit a ballot at all and sending a letter to USNWR explaining why; (2) requesting that USNWR remove the school from the clinical ranking survey; (3) submitting a ballot in which the response for every school is "no answer;" and/or (4) making a public statement against the use of USNWR rankings requesting that others do not rank the school in the survey.

We understand that each law school has a unique set of needs and priorities. Some clinical programs outside the top-tier rankings have achieved

recognition of their respective programs through the USNWR; and this, in turn, has allowed them to further advance the goals of their clinical education programs. Individual faculty may choose to continue to participate, or may not be in a position to refuse to submit a rankings ballot or ask that their program not be ranked. If faculty do vote, CLEA urges those ranking clinical programs to focus on factors that promote the principles for which CLEA advocates, namely the increased presence of clinical education (law clinics and externships) in law school curricula, security of position for clinical faculty, and diversity and equity. In evaluating clinical programs, CLEA urges voters to consider: 1) the number of law clinic and externship slots available relative to the student population at a school; 2) the breadth and quality of clinical curricular offerings available to students; 3) the school's security of position, academic freedom, and governance rights for faculty who teach clinics or externships; and 4) the extent to which the school has committed to pursuing racial justice in its clinical program through its course offerings, impact on the community, and demonstrated commitment to diversity and equity in hiring and promotion of clinical faculty.

CLEA urges voters to score only those programs for which they have sufficient information to make informed decisions. It urges voters to choose the "No Answer" option when they have insufficient information to assess a particular clinical program. Last, CLEA also urges those who receive ballots to consult their clinical colleagues for their views to increase the range of informed opinions reflected in the balloting.

## Awards

2025 Society of American  
Law Teachers' Great  
Teacher Award

**Claudia Angelos  
(NYU)**

AALS Section on Law,  
Medicine and Health Care  
Distinguished Community  
Service Award

**Kate Mitchell  
(Loyola Chicago)**

## CLEA Committee Reports

### Externship Committee

In October, more than 130 externship clinicians attended the Externship 12 Conference in Boston. The CLEA Externship Committee, with the AALS Externship Committee, sponsored the biennial conference, which was hosted by the New England Consortium of Externships and held at Boston University School of Law. The conference created space for engaging learning opportunities and developing connections. Panel topics included paid externships, international placements, navigating change and many others.

CLEA distributed membership information at a conference table and asked new clinicians to update our membership directory. In the fall, we worked with the CLEA Awards committee to develop application procedures for scholarship funding, which supported three attendees.

CLEA was thrilled to present the Externship Achievement Award to Carrie Kass, the Associate Dean for Experiential Education at Quinnipiac University School of Law. Professor Kass has made outstanding contributions to law school experiential education, externship pedagogy, and has mentored many new clinical and externship teachers.

Over the coming months, the Committee will review its strategic plan and evaluate current and future projects. We anticipate releasing a final report of this year's national virtual placement survey. We look forward to continuing our collaboration with the AALS Externship Committee on programs and initiatives, including awards.

#### *Committee Co-Chairs*



Kate Devlin Joyce  
(Boston Univ.)



Dena Bauman  
(Cornell)





## New Clinicians Committee

The New Clinicians Committee is hard at work planning the 2025 New Clinicians Conference! The conference will be held on April 26, 2025, at the University of Baltimore School of Law in advance of the AALS Conference on Clinical Education in Baltimore, Maryland. Please save the date and email co-chairs Nickole Miller and Paul Radvany at [nickole.miller@drake.edu](mailto:nickole.miller@drake.edu) and [radvany@fordham.edu](mailto:radvany@fordham.edu) with any questions.

### *Committee Co-Chairs*



Nickole Miller  
(Drake)



Paul Radvany  
(Fordham)

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## CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION BY THE NUMBERS

A recurring column by Robert Kuehn, Washington University School of Law

### *The Employment Benefits of Law Clinics and Externships*

One of the reasons law students enroll in a law clinic or externship is the belief that the experience will improve their marketability. In a [nationwide survey](#) asking what was driving demand for their courses, 94% of externship directors and 66% of law clinic directors said it was, in part, because students believe those courses improve employment opportunities. [i] Surveys of recent law graduates and employers show that students' perceptions of the positive impact of a clinic or externship experience on their job opportunities upon graduation are well founded. Research shows that clinics and externships do aid graduates in obtaining their first job and that potential employers value entry-level candidates with law clinic and externship experience.

A number of NALP studies have documented the importance of law school experiential courses in hiring decisions. A 2010 [survey of law firm associates](#) asked how much, if any, of the associate's law school experiential learning experiences were discussed in the job interview with their current employer. [ii] Over two-thirds of respondents reported that their experiential learning was discussed, with 6% reporting that it had been discussed "extensively." [iii] In the more recent NALP [survey of 2020 law school alumni](#) in all types of employment, not just firms, 86% reported discussing their law school experiential courses during interviews for their first post-graduate job, with 25% saying they had "extensively" discussed their experiential learning. [iv] Those currently working in public interest/legal services, public prosecutor, and public defender positions reported the highest levels of discussions about their experiential courses while interviewing.

A 2011 NALP survey of lawyers [practicing in nonprofit and government sectors](#) asked how useful their participation in experiential learning during law school was in obtaining their first job in a nonprofit or government setting. [v] Externships/field placement courses were rated most useful (3.6 out of 4.0 "very useful"), followed by law clinics (3.3), pro bono work (2.9), and skills/simulation courses (2.4). Seventy-percent of respondents indicated that their experiential course(s) was "very useful" in obtaining [their first job](#). [vi]

Two Gallup surveys for AccessLex looked at the relationship between a student's law school practical experiences and whether they had a "good job" waiting for them upon graduation. In a [2015 study](#) of graduates from seven Southeastern law schools, those who strongly agreed that they participated in an internship or job during law school that allowed them to apply what they were learning in the classroom were 1.4 times more likely (62% to 44%) to report they had a good job upon graduation than graduates who did not have that experience. [vii]

In a later [2017 nationwide Gallup survey](#) of those who received a law degree between 1941 and 2017, however, J.D. holders with a "co-op program, internship or practicum" experience while in law school were not more likely to have had a good job waiting upon graduation compared to those who did not have those experiences. [viii] Gallup offered no explanation for why these results appeared to vary from the 2015 survey, although different lists of experiences were used in each survey and Gallup did note that those experiences had become nearly universal among more recent graduates, while much less so for graduates prior to the 1970s.

## *The Employment Benefits of Law Clinics and Externships, continued*

Two NALP reports also highlight the importance of law clinic and externship experiences to employers. In a [2010 report](#) on the public interest employment market, public interest employers were found to be looking for job candidates with direct experience working with low-income clients. [ix] According to a public defender, “previous experience in a PD’s office is always a plus for law students.” A similar [report in 2012](#) asked public interest employers what job seekers, especially law students, should do to help land a public interest job. [x] The employers advised students to “enroll in a clinical education program,” explaining that “public interest employers want to see applicants that have practical and effective lawyering skills, including client interviewing, motion practice, and courtroom experience.”

The NALP study of 2020 alumni employment noted that public interest/legal services, public defender, and public prosecutor offices “frequently screen applicants for their commitment to a type of practice, which clinics demonstrate.” A [review of postings](#) for lawyer positions found that many types of employers identify law clinic experience as a positive factor in hiring. [xi] Government, legal services, district attorney, public defender, and law firm positions indicated that law clinic experience was either preferred or a plus in their hiring decisions. Some employers even indicated they require clinic experience.

A [nationwide survey of 24,000 lawyers](#) by the Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System asked which of seventeen hiring criteria would be most helpful in determining if a new law graduate possessed the necessary foundational characteristics, professional competencies, and legal skills the lawyer believed were important to successfully enter the

profession. [xii] Externship and law clinic experiences was rated amount the top six criteria. Legal employment rated highest, with 88% of respondents reporting it was “somewhat helpful” or “very helpful” in determining if a candidate possesses the necessary foundations. Following close behind were a legal externship experience (82%) and participation in a law clinic (77%). Of the ten most helpful hiring criteria, only two related to academic experience or achievement, leading the study authors to conclude that “hiring lawyers tend to view experience actually working in the law as indicative of a new lawyer possessing the foundations necessary for success.”

[Models using nationwide data](#) to link the availability of or enrollment in a school's law clinic courses and the employment success of its graduates have proven unworkable, hindered by the lack of information on cause and effect and the timing of job offers, confounding influences, and differences among schools and their employment markets. [xiii] But surveys by schools of their graduates confirm the importance of clinics and externships, with half of one school's graduates reporting that their externship or clinic experience helped them obtain a job after graduation. [xiv]

Studies by state bar associations also have found that law clinic and externship training improves a graduate’s marketability. An [Illinois State Bar Association](#) study found a shift in the criteria by which applicants for entry-level positions were judged by private law firms, observing that “new graduates who enter the job market without practical skills (i.e., those without experience in an externship, clinic, judicial clerkship, or independent employment in the public or private sector) are at a distinct disadvantage in attempting to enter the private sector.” [xv] [Massachusetts Bar](#)

## *The Employment Benefits of Law Clinics and Externships, continued*

Association, State Bar of California, and State Bar of Wisconsin studies also reported that the enhanced skills found in law clinics and externships will improve a law graduate's marketability. [xiv]

Surveys consistently demonstrate that law students, recent graduates, and employers recognize the career advantages of law clinics and externships, with many reporting that these opportunities are integral to securing entry-level positions. Employers across sectors — including public interest, government, and private practice — place a high premium on candidates with clinic and externship experience, viewing these as critical indicators of a graduate's readiness for the legal profession. Law schools should take note of this extensive empirical evidence and ensure that all their students obtain this important clinical training.

[i] Robert R. Kuehn et al., Center for the Study of Applied Legal Education, 2022-23 Survey of Applied Legal Education 16-17 (2023), [https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=4568376](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=4568376).

[ii] 2010 Survey of Law School Experiential Learning Opportunities and Benefits, The NALP Foundation for Law Career Research and Education 38 (2011), <https://www.nalp.org/uploads/2010ExperientialLearningStudy.pdf>.

[iii] NALP 2010 and 2011 survey response summary (on file with author).

[iv] Study of Law School Alumni Employment & Satisfaction: Employment Outcomes Three Years After Graduation, Class of 2020, NALP & The NALP Foundation for Law Career Research and Education 126 (2024), <https://www.nalpfoundation.org/product-page/us-law-school-alumni-employment-satisfaction-study-class-of-2020>.

[v] 2011 Survey of Law School Experiential Learning Opportunities and Benefits: Responses from Government and Nonprofit Lawyers, The NALP Foundation for Law Career Research and Education 30 (2012), pro.

[vi] Margaret E. Reuter & Joanne Ingham, The Practice Value of Experiential Legal Education: An Examination of Enrollment Patterns, Course Intensity, and Career Relevance, 22 *Clinical L. Rev.* 181, 229 (2015).

[vi] Gallup & Access Group, *Life After Law School* 7 (2016), pro.

[vii] GALLUP & ACCESS GROUP, *Life After Law School* 7 (2016),

<https://arc.accesslex.org/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1010&context=commissioned>.

[viii] Gallup & AccessLex Institute, *Examining Value, Measuring Engagement: A National Study of the Long-Term Outcomes of a Law Degree* 9 (2018), pro.

[ix] 2011-2012 NALP Public Interest Employment Market Snapshot Report, NALP (Fall 2012), pro.

[x] NALP Public Interest Employment Market Snapshot Report, NALP (Jan. 2012), pro.

[xi] Robert R. Kuehn, *Measuring Clinical Legal Education's Employment Outcomes*, 2015 *Wis. L. Rev.* 645, 660.

[xii] Alli Gerkman & Logan Cornett, Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System, *Foundations for Practice: Hiring the Whole Lawyer: Experience Matters* 5, 7 (2017), pro.

[xiii] Kuehn, *supra* note 11, at 655, 663-64.

[xiv] Hanover Research Council, *NYLS Alumni Career Path Survey Analysis* 15-16 (2010).

[xv] Illinois State Bar Association, *Report and Recommendations of the Special Committee on the Impact of Current Law School Curriculum on the Future of the Practice of Law in Illinois* 19 (2015), <http://www.isba.org/sites/default/files/committees/Impact%20of%20Current%20Law%20School%20Curriculum%20on%20the%20Future%20of%20the%20Practice%20of%20Law%20in%20Illinois.pdf>.

[xvi] Mass. Bar Ass'n, *Rpt. of the Task Force on Law, The Economy and Underemployment: Beginning the Conversation* 5 (2012), Ma; State Bar of Cal., *Task Force on Admissions Regulations Reform: Phase I Final Rpt.* 21 (2013), Ma; State Bar of Wis., *Challenges Facing New Lawyers Task Force Rpt. and Recommendations* 15 (2013), Ma.



## Good News: Moves, Honors & Promotions



Rima Nathan (Florida State) was named a “Florida Fraud Fighter” of distinction by AARP Florida.



Wally Mlyniec (Georgetown) was honored by the Council for Court Excellence with the 27th Annual Justice Potter Stewart Award on May 27, 2024. The Justice Potter Stewart Award, named to honor the memory and public service of the late Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, was established in 1997. The Award recognizes individuals and organizations whose work on behalf of the administration of justice has made a significant contribution to the law, the legal system, the courts, or the administrative process in our nation's capital.



Robbi Smith (Cardozo) was promoted to Assistant Dean, Externships and Field Clinics.



Lindsay M. Harris (Univ. of San Francisco) received the 2024 Provost's Award for Innovation in Global Education for her work directing the International Human Rights Clinic in its mission to engage with human rights defenders in exile.



Rachel Reeves (UConn School of Law) was promoted to Associate Clinical Professor of Law.



Kristina Campbell (Gonzaga) joined the faculty in the School of Law as Professor of Law and Director of the Beatriz and Ed Schweitzer Border Justice Initiative. She is also the Rita G. & Norman L. Roberts Faculty Scholar.



Michelle Ewert (Washburn) has been named the inaugural Sheila Reynolds Chair of Clinical Law. This is Washburn's first named Chair position for the Law Clinic. Sheila Reynolds has taught at Washburn Law for thirty-one years, almost all of that time in the Law Clinic.

## Moves, Honors & Promotions (cont.)

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H. Marissa Montes (Loyola Los Angeles) just launched Loyola's Binational Migrant Advocacy Project (BMAP) in conjunction with the ITESO, Jesuit University in Guadalajara. BMAP is the first US law school clinic to have a formal presence abroad and will be bringing immigration legal services to both migrants in transit and deportees year around.



Mridula Raman (Berkeley) was promoted from clinical supervisor to Deputy Director of the Death Penalty Clinic. Mridula joined the clinic five years ago. Before joining Berkeley Law, she represented indigent death-sentenced clients in Texas and Arizona as an Assistant Federal Defender. She also has an article forthcoming in the Yale Law & Policy Review tentatively called "Prosecuting Abortion."



Radhika Kapoor (Berkeley) joined the Human Rights Clinic as clinical supervising attorney. Prior to joining the clinic, Radhika was a fellow at the Harvard Law School Program on International Law and Armed Conflict (HLS PILAC), where her practice spanned a range of public international law matters. Her areas of focus included the use of force between States, the international legal regulation of armed conflict, intersections between principled humanitarian action and counterterrorism frameworks, the adverse humanitarian impacts of sanctions regimes, and the procedures and practice of the United Nations Security Council.



Lisa Martin, Emily Suski, and Clint Wallace (South Carolina) were promoted to full professor in July 2024.



Carlotta Lepingwell (Tulane), Clinical Assistant Professor, will serve as Interim Director of the Criminal Justice Clinic following the retirement in January of Katherine Mattes.

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## Moves, Honors & Promotions (cont.)

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Carrie Kaas (Quinnipiac) received the 2024 Externships Achievement Award at the Externships 12 Conference in Boston. Presented by the AALS Clinical Section's Externships Subcommittee and CLEA, the award honors outstanding contributions to externship pedagogy and the externship community. As Director of Externships and later Associate Dean of Experiential Education, Carrie developed a robust externship program at Quinnipiac University School of Law, boasting over 300 potential externship sites. Alumni praise Carrie for her guidance, compassion, and commitment to humanizing the field of law. She is also celebrated for her leadership in clinical education, including service as President and Board Member of CLEA, contributing author for "Best Practices for Legal Education," and co-editor of "Building on Best Practices."

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Katy Ramsey Mason (Memphis) has been awarded tenure and promoted to Associate Professor of Law.

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Danny Schaffzin (Memphis) was named a Cecil C. Humphreys Professor of Law.

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Karen Tokarz (Washington Univ. - St. Louis), Director of the Civil Rights and Community Justice Clinic, was the co-recipient of the 2024 Pincus award from the AALS. The award acknowledges excellence in service, scholarship, program design and implementation, and other activity benefiting clinical legal education and the advancement of justice. Professor Tokarz was also awarded the Missouri Lawyers Media 2024 ICON Award for sustained success and leadership in the legal profession. The award highlighted her work with the St. Louis Mediation Project, in which clinic students and volunteers provide free mediation of housing disputes in St. Louis eviction courts.

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Sabrina Balgamwalla (Wayne State) was appointed as the Edward J. Littlejohn Research Scholar.

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## Moves, Honors & Promotions (cont.)

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Leigh Goodmark (Maryland) stepped down as director of the Clinical Law Program to become the Associate Dean of Research and Faculty Development. Leigh joins Dean Renée Hutchins Laurent and Vice-Dean Deborah Thompson Eisenberg in the Dean's Suite. All three of Maryland's deans are clinicians!

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Ron Hochbaum (Pacific McGeorge) was promoted by the faculty to Associate Clinical Professor of Law. Professor Hochbaum is a national expert on homelessness and poverty law. He directs the Homeless Advocacy Clinic - the first of its kind to exclusively represent people who have had contact with the criminal legal system.

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Kathleen Hoke (Maryland) received the University of Maryland, Baltimore Founders Week 2024 Public Servant of the Year Award.

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Christine Natoli (UC Law San Francisco), who teaches the Refugee & Human Rights Clinic, was promoted to Professor of Practice.

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Maneka Sinha (Maryland) received the 2024 Award for Excellence in Scholarship at the AAPI/MENA Workshop in the Legal Academy for her article, *The Automated Fourth Amendment 73 Emory L.J. 589 (2024)*.

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Brittany Glidden (UC Law San Francisco), who teaches and directs the Individual Representation Clinic, won the Law School's 2024 Mary Kay Kane Excellence Award for Service.

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Jeff Brooks (Louisiana State) was promoted to full Professor of Professional Practice.

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Darrell Mottley (Suffolk), Director of the Intellectual Property and Entrepreneurship Clinic, has been elected to the American Bar Foundation's Board of Directors where he joins a distinguished group of leaders committed to advancing justice and expanding legal knowledge.

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## Moves, Honors & Promotions (cont.)

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Dana Montalto (Harvard) received the 2024 Dave Myers Award from the National Law School Veterans Clinic Consortium (NLSVCC).



Randi Mandelbaum (Rutgers) was promoted to Associate Dean of Clinical Education.



Kristie Bluett and Sarah Eads Adkins (Cincinnati) were promoted to Associate Professor of Clinical Law.



Sandra Simkins (Rutgers) was promoted to Professor of Law and Associate Dean of Clinical Education.



Charles Auffant (Rutgers) was promoted to Deputy Dean of Clinical Education.



Melina Healey (Touro) was promoted to Associate Clinical Professor of Law with an award of specialized tenure.



Laura Cohen (Rutgers) was promoted to Professor of Law.



Brenda Smith (American) has been appointed to the Council on Criminal Justice Women's Justice Commission, a landmark national initiative focused on addressing the unique challenges faced by women in the criminal justice system.



Jeff Baker (Pepperdine) received the Faculty Award at the 2024 Belonging Awards for outstanding commitments to diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging in the law school community.

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## Moves, Honors & Promotions (cont.)

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Anita Sinha (American) received the AUWCL Innovation in Pedagogy Award, which recognizes exceptional creativity and innovation in instruction. She received the 2024 Pauline Ruyle Moore Scholarship Award, which recognizes an outstanding scholar each year in the area of public law, for her article *Transnational Migration Deterrence*, 63 BC L. REV 1295 (2022). She also was appointed the faculty director of AUWCL's newly-named Program on Gender, Theory, Law & Practice (formerly the Women & the Law Program).

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Chris Heard (Houston) was promoted to Clinical Professor.

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Tasha Willis (Houston) was promoted to Clinical Professor.

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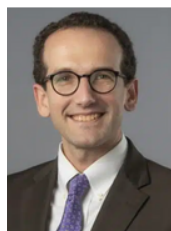
J. Anna Cabot (Houston) was promoted to Assistant Dean of Clinical Programs.

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Diane Sumoski (Southern Methodist) has been named the inaugural Chair of the Dallas Bar Association's Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice Section.

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Christophe Courchesne (Vermont), Director of the Environmental Advocacy Clinic and Associate Professor of Law, was named the interim director of the school's Environmental Law Center, leading the school's internationally-renowned environmental law program for the 2024-2025 academic year.

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Peter Steffensen (Southern Methodist) was promoted to Assistant Director of the First Amendment Clinic.

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Dena Bauman (Cornell), Class of '91, joined the faculty as a lecturer of law and director of the Externship and Pro Bono Scholars Program. Most recently, Dena directed the externship program at UC Davis. She is delighted to return to her alma mater.

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Michelle Gross (Washington Univ. - St. Louis) recently joined the clinical faculty as director of the Intellectual Property Clinic. Michelle comes to us after many years of directing the Intellectual Property Clinic at Arizona State University.

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## Moves, Honors & Promotions (cont.)

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David Singleton (UDC) was promoted to Associate Dean of Clinical Programs and Professor of Law. Previously, he was a Professor at NKU Chase College of Law, Constitutional Litigation Clinic Director, and Executive Director of the Ohio Justice & Policy Center for 21 years.

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Professor Stephen Yale-Loehr (Cornell) was a winner of the Provost Award for Teaching Excellence in Graduate and Professional Degree Programs. The award honors faculty who excel in teaching and academic advising in programs that lead to an advanced degree at the master's, PhD, DVM, and JD levels.

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Jerome Hughes (UDC), Director of the Community Development Law Clinic, was promoted to Associate Professor of Law. Students in his clinic learn transactional and business lawyering skills while representing cooperatives, nonprofit organizations, and urban entrepreneurs.

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James Hardwick (Cornell), adjunct professor of law and lead attorney for the Veterans Law Practicum, was awarded a 2024–25 Cornell Engaged Faculty Fellow. Facilitated by the Einhorn Center for Community Engagement at Cornell, fellows spend a year developing a community-engaged project. Hardwick will focus on discharge upgrades in the local veteran community.

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Saleema Snow (UDC), Director of the Youth Justice Clinic, received a 2024 Hero of Hope Award for her commitment to educating residents in the D.C. Department of Corrections enrolled in her paralegal course.

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Angela Cornell (Cornell) was awarded a \$9,000 Seed Grant from the Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies for collaborative work with Scottish Scholar on Strikes and Democracy.

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Danielle Cover (Wyoming), former Director of the Civil Legal Services Clinic, has transitioned to the College of Law's legal writing faculty.

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## Moves, Honors & Promotions (cont.)

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Valeria Gomez (Baltimore) joined the CLEA Board of Directors in July 2024 and was also reappointed as a member of the American Bar Association's Commission on Immigration.

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Hemanth Gundavaram (Northeastern) has been elected to serve on the 2024 Executive Board of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Section on Minority Groups.

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Katie Kronick (Baltimore) serves on the Clinical Law Review selection committee to select a new editor-in-chief and several new editors for the peer reviewed and edited publication. She also co-chairs the Scholarship Sub-Committee for the AALS Clinical Committee and became a member of the Scholars Strategy Network and was selected as an SSN Fellow for 2024-2025.

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Andrew Haile (Northeastern) recently co-led an immersive Dialogue of Civilizations course that brought a group of Northeastern students to the ancient forests of the Pacific Northwest to explore the legal and philosophical frameworks for protecting "old-growth" forests — woods that have not been logged since European settlement of North America.

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Neha Lall (Baltimore) was elected Co-Vice President of the CLEA Executive Committee, along with Kathryn Banks (St. Louis).

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Lynnise Pantin (Columbia), Pritzker Pucker Family Clinical Professor of Transactional Law and founding director of the Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic, now serves as the Vice Dean for Experiential Education as of July 2024.

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Jaime Lee (Baltimore) became a co-founder of the Maryland-DC Chapter of the Scholars Strategy Network, which connects journalists, policymakers, and civic leaders with researchers to improve policy and strengthen democracy.

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Caryn Schreiber (Wyoming) has joined the faculty as Assistant Professor and Director of the Civil Legal Services Clinic. Previously, she was a Visiting Assistant Professor and Director of the Housing Advocacy Clinic at Rutgers.

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## Moves, Honors & Promotions (cont.)

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Genevieve Fajardo (St. Mary's), supervising attorney for the Real Estate Clinic, has been appointed Associate Dean of Partnerships and Innovation. In October, she completed a trip to Colombia to recruit students for LLM studies and international research exchanges, and gave two presentations on migration and the U.S. Presidential election.

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Erica Schommer (St. Mary's), supervising attorney for the Immigration and Human Rights Clinic, has been recognized by immigration legal services provider, American Gateways, as a "Pro Bono Champion" for her contributions to their work and the immigrant communities they serve.

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Karen Kelley (St. Mary's), Assistant Dean for Clinical Programs, was recognized as St. Mary's faculty recipient of the 2024 AALS "Pro Bono Honor Roll" for exceptional work supporting the law school community in providing pro bono legal services.

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Greg Zlotnick (St. Mary's), supervising attorney for the Consumer Protection Clinic, has been appointed Clinical Assistant Professor of Law, after previously serving as a Visiting Clinical Assistant Professor.

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Amanda Rivas (St. Mary's), Director of Externships, received the "Luminaria Mentorship Award" from the 2024 Lawtina Network Summit, in recognition of her work as Faculty Sponsor for the Summit and her dedication to aspiring Latinas in the legal profession.

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Elora Mukherjee (Columbia), director of the Immigrants Rights' Clinic, and Mike Wishnie (Yale Law School), director of the Jerome N. Frank Services Organization, have served as founding board members of the Asylum Seeker Advocacy Project (ASAP) since its inception in 2015. The organization just hit a major milestone -- ASAP has more than a million asylum seeker members, making it the largest organization of its kind in history. ASAP offers invaluable resources to its members. Membership is free, and we encourage your asylum-seeking clients to sign up.

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Patricia Redmond (Miami), the Law School's Bankruptcy Clinic Director, was honored with Annual Hoeveler Award.

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## Moves, Honors & Promotions (cont.)

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Craig Trocino (Miami) of the Innocence Clinic along with his students were honored and recognized by the Miami-Dade Commission and they issued a Proclamation declaring October 4, 2024, as International Wrongful Convictions Day.

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Kevin Kelly (Seton Hall) received the Lighthouse Award from the New Jersey Commission on Professionalism in the Law in June 2024. The award is conferred annually on an attorney who has exhibited the utmost professionalism and integrity throughout their legal career and who serves as an inspiration and guiding light to their colleagues in the bar.

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Rebecca Sharpless' (Miami) book *Shackled: 92 Refugees Imprisoned on ICE Air* was honored with a Bronze Independent Publisher Book Award in the current events category.

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Glykeria Teji (Seton Hall) joined the faculty full-time in July 2024 as an Associate Clinical Professor in the Immigrants' Rights/International Human Rights Clinic. She previously served as Managing Attorney of the Detention and Deportation Defense Initiative.

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Andrew Darcy (Seton Hall) joined the faculty full-time in August 2024 as an Associate Clinical Professor, directing the Health Justice Clinic as part of the Housing Justice Project.

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Diane K. Smith (Seton Hall) received the Lifetime Advancement of Pro Bono Service Award from the New Jersey State Bar Foundation in October 2024.

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Anne Kassalow (Seton Hall) was promoted to Managing Attorney of the Housing Justice Project at the Center for Social Justice in August 2024.

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Meredith Esser (Wyoming) joined the faculty as Assistant Professor and Director of the Defender Aid Clinic. Prior to her appointment, she was a Clinical Teaching Fellow in the Civil Rights Clinic at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law.

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Susan Roy (Seton Hall) was promoted to Managing Attorney of the Detention and Deportation Defense Initiative at the Center for Social Justice in October 2024.

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## Moves, Honors & Promotions (cont.)

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Sarah M. Polly and Laura McNally (Case Western) are co-teaching the Second Chance Reentry Clinic in the Milton and Charlotte Kramer Law Clinic during the 2024-2025 academic year.



Bethany Schols (Penn State) was promoted to Associate Clinical Professor of Law. Professor Schols is the inaugural Executive Director of the Anuncia Donecia Songsong Manglona Lab for Gender and Economic Equity. The mission of the Manglona Lab is to address gender equity, especially in pay.

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Susan Bardo (Penn State Law) received the Donald J. Smith, Jr. Pro Bono Award from MidPenn Legal Services at their Access to Justice event, for her significant contributions toward achieving Equal Justice, through her work directing the Family Law Clinic.

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Tianna Gibbs (American) has joined AUWCL as a professor of law and the director of the Gender Justice Clinic. She has focused her clinical practice on providing low-income District residents with representation in family law and other matters to promote gender justice, racial justice, and economic justice. Her practice-based scholarship sits at the intersection of family law, domestic violence, race and the law, poverty law, and access to justice issues that impact litigants in high-volume courts. She received her J.D. from Yale Law School.

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Andrew Budzinzki (American) has joined AUWCL as an associate professor of law and the director of the Elliott Milstein Civil Advocacy Clinic. He has focused his practice on representing survivors of intimate partner violence in a variety of family law matters, including civil protection orders, divorce, custody, and child support cases. His scholarship focuses on the intersection of access to justice and procedural rules, as well as issues in clinical pedagogy and design. He received his J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School.

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## Moves, Honors & Promotions (cont.)

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Caroline Wick (American) returns to AUWCL as a practitioner-in-residence and the Acting Director of the Disability Rights Clinic. She re-joins us after spending a year at Villanova University, where she was the Director of the Health Law Clinic. Before becoming a clinician, she was a senior attorney with the Children's Law Center in D.C., where she focused on medical-legal partnerships. She received her J.D. from Tulane University Law School.

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Miriam Marton (UDC) became our General Practice Clinic Director this year. Previously, she served as Associate Dean and Director of Clinics at Tulsa College of Law and launched the first interdisciplinary clinic at UConn Law with the School of Social Work and Medical School.

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Colleen Cullen (Drake) joined the tenure-track faculty at the Law School, where she is directing the Criminal Defense Program. Prior to coming to Drake, Colleen was a Lasch Teaching Fellow at the University of Denver's Criminal Defense Clinic.

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David Reiss (Cornell) was an expert witness in a forfeiture proceeding that stemmed from an expansive criminal scheme to defraud vulnerable New York City residents out of their homes. Reiss was a pro bono expert on behalf of one of the homeowners. Judge Ramos (SDNY) ruled in favor of the homeowner, relying in part on Reiss' testimony regarding due diligence norms in real estate transactions.

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Alberto Benítez (George Washington) was once again named to the Best Lawyers list for Washington D.C. Additionally, in May 2024, the American Immigration Lawyers Association presented him with the 2024 Elmer Fried Excellence in Teaching Award.

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Laurie Kohn (George Washington) was appointed as Senior Associate Dean of Academic Development, Graduate, and Online Education. In this new role, Dean Kohn joins Senior Associate Deans Elizabeth Ewert and Steve Schooner as part of Dean Dayna Bowen Matthew's senior leadership team. Dean Kohn will remain the Jacob Burns Foundation Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs.

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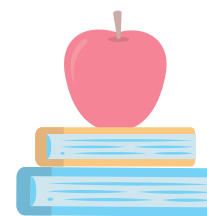


Caroline Rogus (George Washington) was appointed to a four-year term with the Standing Committee on Pro Bono Legal Services of the D.C. Circuit Judicial Conference, on which she works with other members to assess how the legal community is responding to the unmet legal needs of D.C. area residents.

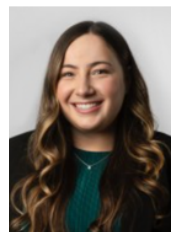
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## Good News: New Clinicians



Jennifer Brinkman (Northern Kentucky) has joined the faculty as Director of the Children's Law Center Clinic at the law school.



Chandler Meersman (Illinois Chicago) has joined the Community Legal Clinics team as Staff Attorney for the Fair Housing Legal Clinic.



Asher Waite-Jones (Berkeley) joined the Policy Advocacy Clinic as clinical supervisor. Asher joins Berkeley Law after eight years as a legal aid attorney in California and Indiana. As a legal aid lawyer, he provided direct representation to youth and adults in multiple states in cases related to the consequences of racialized mass incarceration, including criminalization of homelessness, fines and fees, drivers-license revocation, and vehicle tows.



TJ Grayson (Berkeley) joined the Policy Advocacy Clinic as clinical supervisor, where he supports community-led campaigns that challenge the harms of the criminal legal system and work to build community power. Previously, he served as a Civil Rights Fellow at the Social Justice Legal Foundation, receiving intensive training in civil rights litigation from experienced trial lawyers while pursuing Section 1983 cases against law enforcement and a class action against a private ICE detention facility. Before his time at SJLF, TJ was a Justice Catalyst Fellow at the Advancement Project, where he supported abolitionist campaigns to end police violence, with a focus on addressing the power and influence of police associations.



Clint Wallace (South Carolina), who has been teaching doctrinal tax classes at South Carolina, has established and will teach the Low Income Taxpayer Clinic in addition to his doctrinal classes. We are delighted to welcome our colleague Clint to clinical teaching!

## New Clinicians (cont.)

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Cormac Smith (Washington Univ. - St. Louis) recently joined the clinical faculty to launch and direct the Veterans Law Clinic. Cormac retired after 20 years of active duty with the Army, including 14 years with Army JAG.

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Nan Baker (Washington Univ. - St. Louis) recently joined the Low Income Taxpayer Clinic as a fellow. Nan is a 2022 graduate of Yale Law School and a 2019 graduate of Washington University. Nan will focus on representing clients and on community outreach.

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Charly Gilfoil (Maryland) joined the Clinical Law Program as a staff attorney with the Medical-Legal Partnership Clinic

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Lexie Salamone (Washington Univ. - St. Louis) has recently joined the Immigration Law Clinic as the Nimick Forbesway Legal Fellow. Lexie is a 2024 graduate of Saint Louis University School of Law.

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Jeff Miller (Memphis) has joined the faculty as an Assistant Professor of Law. Jeff will direct and teach a new Disability Rights Law Clinic starting in Spring 2025.

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Cristina Meneses (Maryland) is in her first semester as Senior Managing Director of the Clinical Law Program

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Denise Marzano-Doty (Touro) has moved to the full-time faculty as an Assistant Clinical Professor of Law and is Director of the Law Center's newly formed Small Business Legal Assistance Clinic.

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Gene Barr (Touro) has joined the faculty as an Adjunct Clinical Professor, and is teaching the Child Support Mediation Clinic.

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GeDa Jones Herbert (Tulane) has joined the Civil Rights & Federal Practice Clinic as a visiting Clinical Assistant Professor.

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Terrica Odum (Southern Methodist) has joined the faculty of the VanSickle Family Law Clinic.

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## New Clinicians (cont.)

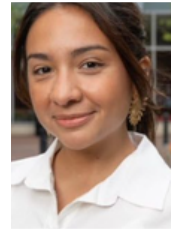
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The Law Center (Louisiana State) welcomes new faculty Jordan Engelhart, Richard Pittman, and Joan Gillham.



Rutgers welcomes eight new faculty members: Jessica Frisina, Jessica Rofe, Sara Lynch, Jeremy Speigel, Viktoria Zerda, Felicia Farber, Tara Pomparelli, and Meghan Knapp.



Adrian E. Alvarez (Miami) is now a supervising attorney in the School of Law's Startup Clinic.



The Milton and Charlotte Kramer Law Clinic (Case Western) welcomed fellows Kendall McPherson (Environmental Law Clinic), and Julia Aromatorio (Health Law Clinic) in August 2024.



## New Clinicians (cont.)

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Ary Ascencio (Suffolk) recently joined the Legal Innovation and Technology Center as a Clinical Fellow. Ary plays a crucial role in enhancing the Lab's initiatives aimed at making civil legal processes more accessible to the public by developing code and technological solutions in a variety of projects. Her crucial support will allow the LIT Center to provide electronic court filing for pro se litigants in trial and appellate courts across the country, online dispute resolution tools allowing low-income litigants move through the divorce process, and utilize Docassemble, a free, open-source platform that allows users to create guided interviews to automate document assembly and workflow. Suffolk is very excited to welcome Ary!



Aaron Diaz (St. Mary's) joined the Criminal Justice Clinic as a Visiting Clinical Assistant Professor of Law.



Kirt Mayland (Vermont) has joined the faculty as a Visiting Assistant Professor in the Energy Clinic, providing students with hands-on experience in developing renewable energy projects across New England.



Prithika Balakrishnan (UC Law San Francisco) has joined the faculty at the law school and teaches the Criminal Practice Clinic.



Tom Leith (Syracuse) has joined the faculty at the College of Law as Associate Teaching Professor and Director of the Criminal Defense Clinic.



Kate Weisburd (UC Law San Francisco) has joined the faculty at the law school and teaches the Criminal Practice Clinic.



Michael Rosenbloom joined the Cyberlaw Clinic of Harvard Law School as a Senior Clinical Instructor.



Andrea Jacoski (Miami) is the incoming associate director of the Immigration Clinic

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## New Clinicians (cont.)

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Dennis Fan (Columbia) has joined the faculty at the law school as of July 2024 as the founding director of the Appellate Litigation Clinic, which represents litigants in federal and state appeals across New York. Professor Fan was previously in the U.S. Department of Justice and the New York Attorney General's Office.

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American welcomes practitioners-in-residence Chloe Sugino (Immigrant Justice Clinic) and Tamar Alexanian (Elliott Milstein Civil Advocacy Clinic).



Texas Law welcomes new clinical faculty Erin Gaines (Environmental Clinic); Miriam Khalifa (Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic); and Blase Kearney (Criminal Defense Clinic).



Angie McCarthy (American) returns to AUWCL as the Director of the Externship Program. Angie rejoins us after a stint at Equal Justice Works, where she was a senior program manager. Prior to her time at EJW, Angie worked in many capacities at AUWCL, including most recently as the Assistant Director of the Office of Public Interest.

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Brenda N. Aravina (Seton Hall) joined the Center for Social Justice in August 2024 as a bilingual paralegal for the Detention and Deportation Defense Initiative.

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## New Clinicians (cont.)

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Lissette Diaz (Seton Hall) joined the faculty full-time in August 2024 as an Associate Clinical Professor, directing the Family Law Clinic at the Center for Social Justice.

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Quo Judkins (UDC) joined our clinical faculty as our Criminal Defense and Racial Justice Clinic Director supervising students in D.C. Superior Court representing indigent clients charged with misdemeanors. Previously, she worked at Howard University Law and DC Public Defenders and opened Judkins Firm.

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Paula Leyva Hernandez (Seton Hall) joined the Center for Social Justice in August 2024 as a Detention Fellow with the Detention and Deportation Defense Initiative.

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Ngozi Ndulue (Clarke) directs our new Criminal Defense and Racial Justice Post-Conviction Clinic. Previously, she was the Innocence Project's first Special Advisor on Race and Wrongful Conviction and worked at the Death Penalty Information Center, National NAACP, and Ohio Justice & Policy Center.

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JoEllyn Jones (Seton Hall) joined the Center for Social Justice in August 2024 as a Practitioner in Residence to launch a new initiative, the Criminal Legal Education, Advocacy and Reform/Reentry Assistance Project (CLEAR/RAP).

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Alexandra Kilduff (Seton Hall) joined the Center for Social Justice in August 2024 as an Adjunct Professor to launch the new Transactional Law Clinic as part of the weekend program. The clinic focuses on advice to nonprofits and small businesses.

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## New Clinicians (cont.)

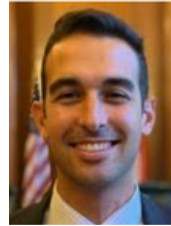
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The Center for Health Law and Policy Innovation (Harvard) welcomes clinical instructors Zeinab Bakhiet (Health Law and Policy Clinic); Kristen McEnroe (Food Law and Policy Clinic); Akif Khan (Food Law and Policy Clinic); and Shannon Nelson (Emmett Environmental Law and Policy Clinic).



Harvard welcomes clinical instructors Amy Smith (Criminal Justice Institute); Sam Davis (Election Law Clinic); Erin Cho (Transactional Law Clinics); and Alex Sacks-West (Harvard Legal Aid Bureau).





## Good News: Books and Publications



Rachel Moran (Univ. of St. Thomas), *Overbroad Protest Laws*, *Columbia Law Review* (forthcoming 2025); *Red Flag Officers*, *Colorado Law Review* (forthcoming 2025).



Medha D. Makhoul (Penn State Dickinson), *Beyond Medical Tourism: Pressured Exits and Global Health Justice*, 98 *TUL. L. REV. ONLINE* 1 (2024); *Charity Care for All: State Efforts to Ensure Equitable Access to Financial Assistance for Noncitizen Patients*, 23 *HOUSTON J. HEALTH L. & POLY* 55 (2024); *Can Medical-Legal Partnerships Do More to Advance Reproductive Justice After Dobbs?*, 26 *AMA J. ETHICS* E655 (2024) (with Natasha Rappazzo); *Gendered Effects of U.S. Pandemic Border Policy on Migrants from Central America*, in *ROUTLEDGE GENDER COMPANION TO GENDER AND COVID-19* 247 (Linda C. McClain & Aziza Ahmed eds., 2024); *Regulating Skin Lightening Products: A Case Study of Structural Forces Shaping Inequities in Health*, *JOTWELL* (August 16, 2024) (reviewing Colleen Campbell, *Intersectionality Matters in Food and Drug Law*, 95 *UNIV. COLO. L. REV.* 1 (2024)).



Amelia McGowan (Arkansas Fayetteville), *The Gendered Violence of Asylum Reporting Requirements*, *Columbia Human Rights Law Review* (forthcoming 2024).



Lauren Valastro (Colorado), *How Misapplying Twombly Erodes Retirement Funds*, 32 *George Mason L. Rev.* (2025).



Katie Kronick (Baltimore), *We Would Vote for People with Felonies—Well, Not All of Them* (with Amanda K. Rogers), *Newsweek* (June 10, 2024); *The Criminal Legal System Is Failing People with Intellectual Disabilities*, *Baltimore Sun* (June 28, 2024).



Jonathan Kerr (Baltimore), *Riding on Horseback to the Moon: Consent Searches in the Age of Smartphones and Digital Tracking*, 82:2 *Wash. and Lee L. Rev.* (forthcoming 2025).

## Books and Publications (cont.)

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Annie Smith (Arkansas Fayetteville), *Dismissing Human Trafficking: Forced Arbitration of Survivors' Civil Suits*, 70 *Vill. L. Rev.* (forthcoming 2025) (with Daniel Werner).



Carolyn Young Larmore (Chapman), *First Gen in the Field*, 31 *Clinical L. Rev.* 239 (2024).



Sarah Davila & Alejandra Palacios, (Illinois Chicago ), *CBP One Mobil Application: Violating Migrants' Rights to Privacy and Freedom from Discrimination*, White Paper, October 9, 2024.



Wally Mlyniec, (Georgetown) delivered a paper, *Identifying Barriers To Experiential Education and Strategies For Overcoming Them*, on July 17, 2024 at the Law School Global League Academic Conference in Bogota, Colombia.



Lara Bazelon and Belle Yan (Univ. of San Francisco) are looking forward to the publication of their law review article, co-authored with Northwestern Professor Beth Redbird, in the *Santa Clara Law Review*, which is titled *Ground Rules: Giving Meaning and Effect to Key Terms in the California Racial Justice Act*.



Lindsay M. Harris (Univ. of San Francisco) published a co-edited volume with Mallika Kaur, *How to Account for Trauma and Emotions in Law Teaching*, through Edward Elgar Publishing, featuring chapters from several clinicians.



Valeria Gomez (Baltimore), *The New Abortion Borders for Immigrant Women*, \_\_ *MINN. J. L. & INEQUALITY* \_\_ (forthcoming 2025)



David Rapallo (Georgetown), published *Congress's Power to Investigate Crime: Did Trump Kill Kilbourn?*, *N.Y.U. Journal of Legislation & Public Policy* (forthcoming 2024).

## Books and Publications (cont.)

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Kristina Campbell (Gonzaga) published: Commentary on *Arizona v. United States*, in *FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: REWRITTEN IMMIGRATION LAW OPINIONS* (with Annie Lai, UC-Irvine) edited volume) (2023); *Protecting Youth: The Dismantling of Youth as a “Particular Social Group”* in *Contemporary Asylum Law*, in *CRITICAL GEOGRAPHIES OF YOUTH: LAW, POLICY, AND POWER* (The West Virginia University Press, the *GENDER, FEMINISM, AND GEOGRAPHY* series) (book chapter) (2023).

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Clint Wallace (South Carolina) published *Taxing Luxury Emissions*, 109 *Cornell L. Rev.* 1153 (2024) (with Shelley Welton) and *Penalizing Precarity*, 123 *Michigan L. Rev.* \_\_ (forthcoming 2025) (with Goldburn Maynard)

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Emily Suski (South Carolina) published *Equal Protection, Title IX & the School Civil Rights Collapse*, 77 *Stanford Law Review* -- (forthcoming 2025)

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Megan Bess (Illinois Chicago), Nira Geevargis (UC Law San Francisco), and June Tai (Iowa), *Case Rounds Redefined: Multidisciplinary Perspectives in Reflective Practice*, 75 *Wash U. J. L. Pol’y* 71 (2024).

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Madalyn Wasilczuk (South Carolina) published *Killing Stays*, 2024 *Wisconsin Law Review* (2024). Madalyn also published a pregnancy prosecutions report: *Pregnancy as a Crime: A Preliminary Report on the First Year After Dobbs* (Sept. 2024) (co-authored with Wendy A. Bach). In addition, Madalyn is the *Pregnancy After Dobbs* co-principal investigator, which is funded by a grant of \$2,403,621 from an anonymous donor to partner with non-profit *Pregnancy Justice* and Professor Wendy Bach, University of Tennessee - Knoxville.

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## Books and Publications (cont.)

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Meghan Brooks (South Carolina) published *Presuming Enough? Keeping the PACT Act's Promise*, 110 *Iowa Law Review* -- (forthcoming 2025).

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Peter Joy (Washington Univ. - St. Louis), Director of the Criminal Justice Clinic, published the following: *Improving the Signal Quality of Grades*, *Journal of Law, Economics & Organization* (2023) (co-author); *May a Defense Lawyer Cross-Examine a Former Client?*, 39 *ABA Criminal Justice* 48 (Fall 2024) (co-author); *Ethics Complaint Against Judge Howell*, 39 *ABA Criminal Justice* 46 (Summer 2024) (co-author).

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Lisa Martin (South Carolina) published *The Importance of Civil Pathways to Protection Orders*, 113 *Geo. L.J.* 705 (forthcoming 2024). Lisa also published 2 new reports from her Bellows Scholar project study: one on same-sex partners and one on the timing of protection order filings throughout the calendar year.

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Bob Kuehn, (Washington Univ. - St. Louis), Director of the Public Defender Externship, published the following: *Whither Coursework and NextGen Bar Exam Success?*, 7 *Raising the Bar* 2 (Fall 2024); *The Fallacy of "We Can't Afford More Clinical Legal Education for Our Students"* (Apr. 2024); *Who's Minding the Clinical Legal Education Store?* (Jan. 2024).

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Claire Raj (South Carolina) published *Poverty, Process, and the Right to an "Appropriate" Education*, 74 *Duke Law Journal* -- (forthcoming 2025). Claire also recently concluded a stint with the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights as Special Counsel working with the political and career OCR staff to draft amendments to the federal regulations for Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, an important disability rights law affecting children with disabilities.

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Maneka Sinha (Maryland), *The Automated Fourth Amendment*, 73 *Emory L.J.* 589 (2024)

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## Books and Publications (cont.)



Elizabeth Hubertz (Washington Univ. - St. Louis), Director of the Interdisciplinary Environmental Clinic, published: *The Dirty Secret of Lowndes County, Alabama*, 32 ABA JOURNAL OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT LAW 319 (2024).



Greg Baltz (Rutgers), published *Tenant Union Law*, Yale L. & Pol'y Rev. (forthcoming 2024) and *All Power to the Tenants*, Law & Political Economy Blog (Oct. 8, 2024)



Steve Alagna (Washington Univ. - St. Louis), Director of the Appellate Clinic, published: *The Pedagogical Value of Clinical Amicus Advocacy*, 75 Wash. U. J.L. & Pol'y 47 (2024)



Laura Cohen (Rutgers) published *The Anti-Racist Imperative of Infancy*, 19 NW J. L. & Soc. Pol'y 177 (2024) and *Barriers to Innocence: Identifying, Investigating, and Undoing Wrongful Convictions (Forward)*, 76 Rutgers L. Rev. \_\_ (2024)



Sabrina Balmgwalla (Wayne State), *Clinics and Emergencies*, 32 Clinical L. Rev. 1 (2024) (with Elizabeth Keyes); *Immigrant Youth Exceptionalism*, 19 Harv. L. & Pol'y Rev. 155 (2024).



Jon Dubin (Rutgers), published *The Color of Social Security: Race and Unequal Protection in the Crown Jewel of the American Welfare State*, 35 Stanford Law & Policy Rev. 104 (2024); *Social Security Disability Law and Procedure in Federal Court*



[Treatise] (Co-authored with Carolyn A. Kubitschek, Thomson Reuters Publishing Co.) (2024 Ed.); and *Supplement to Social Security Law, Policy and Practice: Cases and Materials* (Co-authored with Frank S. Bloch (Vanderbilt), West Academic Publishing Co.) (2024)



Jennifer N. Rosen Valverde (Rutgers), published *A Panoramic IDEA: Cabining the Snapshot Rule in Special Education Disputes*, 55 Ariz. St. L. J. 1445 (2023) and *On Legal Guardianship: An Exploratory Assessment of Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices of Resident Physicians*. *Medical Teacher*, 2023 Sep 18:1-7. DOI: 10.1080/0142159X.2023.2256965 (with Barajas-Ochoa A, Mackie TI, and Fofana B).

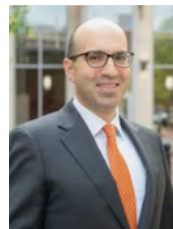
## Books and Publications (cont.)

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Joanne Gottesman (Rutgers), published “Children, Culpability, and Conduct-Based Inadmissibility in Immigration Law,” 98 Tul. L. Rev. 65 (2023-2024).

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Jeremy Spiegel (Rutgers), published Camden Coalition Medical-Legal Partnership: Year One Analysis of Civil + Criminal MLP Model in Addiction Medicine Setting, *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics*, March 2024.

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Kathryn Sabbeth (Rutgers) published Who Says Evictions Should Be Efficient?, *L. & Pol. Econ. Project* (July 17, 2024).

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Penny Venetis (Rutgers) published Using State Constitutions and International Human Rights Law to Compel Law Enforcement to Process Rape Kits, 109 *Cornell L. Rev.* \_ (2024)

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Tomica Burke Saul (Rutgers) published Reparative Entrepreneurship: The Business of War on Drugs Reparations, \_\_ *Colum. Bus. L. Rev.* \_\_ (forthcoming 2025).

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Komal Vaidya (Villanova), Decommodify Cooperative Capital, *Northeastern University Law Review*, November 2024, (Volume 16, Issue 2)

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Priya Baskaran (American), Searching for Justice: Incorporating Critical Legal Research into Clinic Seminar, 30 *CLINICAL L. REV.* 227 (2024).

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Melina Healey (Touro), Opening Up the In-House: A Model for Collaborative Holistic Services and Education in Law School Clinical Programs, *Wash U. Journal of Law and Public Policy*, 2024.

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Tianna Gibbs (American), Right-Sized Access to Protection, *UMKC L. REV.* (forthcoming 2024).

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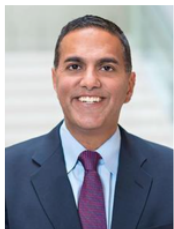


Manoj Viswanathan (UC Law San Francisco), Making Social Security Progressive, *Columbia Law Review Forum*.

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## Books and Publications (cont.)

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Jayesh Rathod (American), *Pressured Exit*, 98 *TULANE L. REV.* 805 (2024). The journal also published two response pieces to Prof. Rathod's article: Medha D. Makhoulf, *Beyond Medical Tourism: Pressured Exits and Global Health Justice*, 98 *TUL. L. REV.* Online 1 (2024), and Luciana Gandini, *The Potential of Pressured Exit as an Analytical Category and Typology*, 98 *TUL. L. REV.* Online 21 (2024).

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Karen Musalo (UC Law San Francisco), *Why Biden's new border plan is a terrible idea*, *L.A. Times*. Karen Musalo is also serving as a key expert witness on the plaintiff side in the Canadian case, *Canadian Council for Refugees et al vs. Minister of Citizenship and Immigration and Minister of Public Safety*. The litigation challenges the "Safe Third Country" agreement between the US and Canada.

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Saleema Snow (UDC), *Transportation: The Hidden Right to Exclude*, 25 *U. PA. J. CONST. L.* 1372, August 2023.

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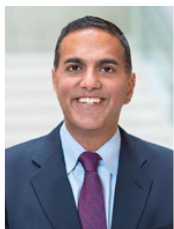
Simone Levine (UC Law San Francisco), *Merging Responsibilities: Ethical Considerations for Securing Consent in Open-Source Investigations of Conflict-Related Sexual Violence*, *Journal of International Criminal Justice* (with Alexa Koenig & Anthony Ghaly).

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Anne Schaufele (UDC) and Jayesh Rathod (American), *Immigrant*, *Wisconsin Law Review*, 2024.

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Kate E. Bloch (UC Law San Francisco), *Advancing Human Rights and the Rule of Law in Haiti*, 30 *Clinical L. Rev.* 289 (2024) (with Ariel Chéry, Marie Gerda Dorcy, Roxane Edmond Dimanche, Yvon Janvier, Maxo Mezilas, & Benjamin Trouille).

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Jerome Hughes (UDC), *Envisioning Sec. 501(C)(3) Social Impact Cooperatives as a Strategy to Address Poverty*, 53 CUMB. L. REV. 395, 2023.



Angela Cornell (Cornell) was cited by Bloomberg News on the Boeing strike, “Boeing Deal’s Big Compensation Bump Raises the Bar for Other Unions.” She organized an interdisciplinary conference on Labor, Strikes and Democracy at Cornell Law School in April of this year. She was an invited panelist at the American Constitutional Society (ACS) Annual Conference in Atlanta on a panel on “Necessary Labor for Democracy.” She gave the annual Cornell presentation at the Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural Site and National Historic Site in Buffalo on “Organized Labor as a Democratic Catalyst” in July. Additionally, she was the discussant at an ILR conference on Transnational Labor Rights in a Globalized Economy on the ILO Draft Instrument: Decent Work in the Supply Chain as well as being a discussant at the Labor and Employment Relations Association (LERA) Annual Conference on Union Power, Satisfaction and Composition.



Jocelyn Cazares Willingham (Clarke), *Process [Ill]defined: Immigration Judge Reviews of Negative Fear Determinations*, Columbia Human Rights Law Review, Vol. 55, No. 1, 2024.



Ian M. Kysel (Cornell) published “African Guiding Principles on the Rights of Migrants, Refugees and Asylum-Seekers: An Introductory Note,” in *International Legal Materials* 63 (2024) (with Luwam Dirar and Fatma Raach). He also presented



“Empowering Human Rights Students to Change the World,” at Northwestern University School of Law in April 2024.



Jeff Baker (Pepperdine), *Christian Realism and the Sins of Mass Incarceration*, Georgia Criminal Law Review (forthcoming 2025).

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## Books and Publications (cont.)

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Beth Lyon (Cornell) co-authored “Portable Justice,” Migration and the Sustainable Development Goals, Datta and Piper, Eds.; “Relational Self and Farmworker Law Reform: The Case of Indonesia,” Legal Pluralism and Critical Social Analysis; and “One Bridge, Two Gaps: The Unrealized Interprofessional Potential for Law and Accounting Clinical Collaboration,” Business Education Innovation Journal.



Estelle M. McKee (Cornell) published “Why Upstate NY counties should welcome, not ban, migrants,” in the Syracuse Post-Standard (June 7, 2023) (with Jaclyn Kelley-Widmer); and “Essentializing Cultures in Us Asylum Law,” in Brooklyn Law Review 89, 443 (2024) (with Jaclyn Kelley-Widmer). She also led a plenary session on persuasive writing techniques and cofacilitated small-group sessions at the September 2024 “Persuasion Institute: A Workshop in Legal Storytelling and Narrative Construction for Capital Post-Conviction Counsel,” in Ithaca, and led a three-day workshop for judicial law clerks in the Southern District of New York on writing to pro se litigants.



Heather Murray (Cornell) was a panelist in the Pennsylvanians for Modern Courts’ One-Day Law School for Journalists in July on unsealing court documents and was a panelist at Yale Law School’s Access and Accountability Conference in November discussing clinic and client successes to emulate. She also conducted a FOIL and Open Meetings Law training with Michael Linhorst for the Press Club of Long Island in October and was a guest speaker in an internet law class at Western New England School of Law in November on government transparency in the age of social media.



Emily Benfer (George Washington) authored a peer-reviewed article “Housing is Health: Prioritizing Health Justice and Equity in the U.S. Eviction System” which appeared in the Yale Journal of Health, Policy, Law, and Ethics. Her research was discussed in GW Today.

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## Books and Publications (cont.)

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Paulina Levya Hernandez, Detention Fellow (Seton Hall), co-authored with Salimah Khoja (CUNY), *Between a River and a Wall: An Impossible Choice for Migrants Living Under Operation Lone Star and S.B. 4*, 27 CUNY L. Rev. 2 (2024) (Scholarship for Social Justice).



Ragini Shah's (Suffolk) book, *Constructed Movements*, is being released in January of 2025. Her book chronicles how the maldistribution of public resources, the exploitation of migrant labor and the U.S. immigration enforcement regime, entrench the necessity of migration as a strategy for survival in Mexico and highlights the alternative visions elaborated by migrant community organizations that seek to end the conditions that force migration, and suggests solutions. Professor Shah is the founding director of the Immigrant Justice Clinic at Suffolk Law.

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Several members of the SMU Clinical faculty published articles in a forthcoming issue of the SMU Law Review celebrating the 75th anniversary of the clinical program, including:



-Professors Thomas S. Leatherbury and Peter B. Steffensen, "Press Freedoms Under Pressure: Clinical Perspectives on the State of Press Freedoms in Texas in 2024"



- Professors Natalie Nanasi and Demetrice Lopez, "Can Criminal Defense Attorneys be Victim-Centered?"



- Associate Dean for Experiential Learning Mary Spector, "75 Years of Clinical Legal Education: Celebrating the Past While Looking to the Future"



- Professor Diane Sumoski, "Raising the Bar in Child Welfare Law"



## Books and Publications (cont.)

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Ron Hochbaum (Pacific McGeorge) published two opeds about the Supreme Court case *Grants Pass v. Johnson*: Will the Supreme Court decide that criminalizing homelessness is constitutional?, *The Sacramento Bee* (Jan. 31, 2024); and SCOTUS Anti-Homeless Ruling Formalizes Segregation of the Poor, *Truthout* (July 28, 2024).

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Quinten Steenhuis & David Colarusso (Suffolk) launched the LIT Blog in June, exploring technological innovations to increase access to justice, including their Document Assembly Line project. LIT Center Co-Director Quinten Steenhuis wrote about nine practice uses for AI tools to help municipal lawyers save time and adapt to new legal challenges. Co-Director, David Colarusso, wrote about “Protective Randomness: Why We Fear the AI Unknown and What to Do About It.” See <https://suffolklitlab.org/blog/>.

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Erika Hanson, Sara Raza, Katie Garfield, Erin Mizraki, Hannah Rahim, Jessica Samuels, Carmel Shachar, and Emily Broad Leib (Harvard), *Food is Medicine: A State Medicaid Toolkit*, July 2024.



David Colarusso (Suffolk) has been awarded a patent for an innovative, machine learning program that scores free-response questions based solely on student answers without the input of model answers or external information. This groundbreaking approach produces rankings that align more closely with human graders than random shuffling, thus enhancing assessment efficiency in legal education.

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## Books and Publications (cont.)

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Harvard authors, continued.



Sabrineh Ardalan (Harvard), Congress's Untapped Authority to Certify U Visas, *Columbia Law Review*, June 2024.

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Alberto Benítez (George Washington) spoke on a panel sponsored by the Immigration Law Association about the 2024 Presidential Election and the potential impacts on immigration law.

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Tiffany Lieu (Harvard), Effectively Irrebuttable Presumptions: Empty Rituals and Due Process in Immigration Proceedings, *George Washington Law Review*, June 2024.

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Abigail Fleming (Miami), Public Health Impacts and Intra-Urban Forced Displacement Due to Climate Gentrification in the Greater Miami Area – Community Lawyering for Environmental Justice and Equitable Development, 78 *U. Mia. L. Rev.* 432 (2024) (with Theresa Pinto, Sabrina Payoute & Elissa Klein); When Justice Destroys Cement Monsters, 54 *U. Mem. L. Rev.* 889 (2024) (with Photini Kamvisseli Suarez).

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Emily Broad Leib and Trevor Findley (Harvard), Proposed Nutrition Competencies for Medical Students and Physician Trainees, *JAMA*, September 2024; Emily Broad Leib (Harvard Law School), Ingesting Risk — The FDA and New Food Ingredients, *The New England Journal of Medicine*, September 2024.

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## Books and Publications (cont.)

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Tamar Ezer (Miami), *Integrating Human Rights in Domestic Clinical Practice*, 30 *Clinical L. Rev.* 345 (with Elizabeth Brundige, Aya Fujimura-Fanselow, Ryan Thoreson) (2024); in *Punishing Homelessness, the U.S. Abandons Human Rights*, *Human Rights At Home Blog* (Oct. 10, 2024) (with Abigail Wettstein); *Food, Housing, and Racial Justice Symposium*, 31 *U. Miami Int. and Comp. L. Rev.* 78 (2024) (with Denisse Córdova Montes, Photini Kamvisseli Suarez, Katherine Murray, Julian Seethal, Mackenzie Steele, and Sarah Walters); *Housing, Not Punishment to Address Homelessness* *Human Rights At Home Blog* (June 14, 2024).



Hayat Bearat (Northeastern), “Caged by a Marriage: How Child Marriages in the United States Are Enabled by Our Immigration System,” 71 *Drake Law Review* 1 (2024).

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Carmel Shachar (Harvard), *Telehealth after the Federal COVID-19 Public Health Emergency: Implications and Future Directions*, *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics*, October 2024; Carmel Shachar, Elizabeth Kaplan (Harvard Law School), *Preventive Care Coverage Threatened by Federal Court Ruling*, *JAMA Viewpoint*, September 2024.



Rebecca Sharpless (Miami), *Shackled: 92 Refugees Imprisoned on ICE Air* (2024).



John Card, Elizabeth Kaplan (Harvard), *Using Medicaid 1115 Reentry Waivers To Improve The Health Of People Leaving Incarceration*, *Health Affairs Forefront*, September 2024.



Bernard Perlmutter (Miami), *(After Babel) Stories of State Regulation of Immigrant Parent-Child Conversations: A Comparative Study, in The State’s Power to Intervene in Family Life* (with Arkadiusz Wudarski, ed.) (Max Planck Institute/Mohr Siebeck Verlag) (2024).

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## Books and Publications (cont.)

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Carrie Bettinger Lopez (Miami), *A Client's Crisis Becomes a Legal Crisis: A Domestic Violence Ruling Goes Global*, in *Crisis Lawyering: Effective Legal Advocacy in Emergency Situations* 13 (Ray Brescia & Eric K. Stern eds., reprint 2024) (2021); *The Impact of COVID-19 on Survivors of Gender-Based Violence and Service Providers in Miami-Dade County: A Case Study*, in *Domestic Violence and Abuse as a Shadow Pandemic: An International and Interdisciplinary View* (Florence Seemungal ed., 2024) (with Denisse Córdova Montes).

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Denisse Córdova Montes (Miami), *The Impact of COVID-19 on Survivors of Gender-Based Violence and Service Providers in Miami-Dade County: A Case Study*, in *Domestic Violence and Abuse as a Shadow Pandemic: An International and Interdisciplinary View* (Florence Seemungal ed., 2024) (with Carrie Bettinger-López) (forthcoming 2024); *Food, Housing, and Racial Justice Symposium*, 31 *U. Miami Int. and Comp. L. Rev.* 78 (2024) (with Denisse Córdova Montes, Photini Kamvisseli Suarez, Katherine Murray, Julian Seethal, Mackenzie Steele, and Sarah Walters); *Constitutionalizing the Human Right to Food in Maine: A People's Tool to Advance Food Sovereignty in the U.S.*, 76 *Me. L. Rev.* (2024) (with Heather Retberg, and Photini Kamvisseli Suarez).

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Melianie Cherdack (Miami), *Gone Phishing: Bank and Broker-Dealer Liability for Electronic Wire Fraud Scams*, 31 *PIABA Bar J.* 1 (2024).

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Patricia Redmond (Miami), "You're Killing Me, Smalls!" The Problem of the Nonparticipating Class in Subchapter V, *Am. Bankr. Inst. J.*, Oct. 2024, at 20 (with Ashley D. Champion).

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Neha Lall (Baltimore), Biden's administration has abandoned his promise to pay interns fairly, *The Hill*, May 30, 2024; *It's Past Time to Allow Paid Field Placements*, *Inside Higher Ed*, Sept. 20, 2024.

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## Books and Publications (cont.)

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Margaret E. Johnson (Baltimore),  
Menstrual Justice After Dobbs, \_\_  
WIS. L. REV. \_\_\_ (forthcoming 2025).



Elizabeth B. Cooper (Fordham) &  
Anita Weinberg (Loyola Chicago),  
Finding Our Way: Teaching Legislative  
Advocacy Clinics, 31 Clin. L. Rev. 41  
(2024).



Laurie Kohn (George Washington)  
presented at the SEALS Conference on  
innovations in family law pedagogy. In  
November, Dean Kohn presented at  
the Midwest Clinical Conference, First  
Class: What's Love got to do with it?  
Finding Inspiration amidst the  
Logistics.



Paulina Vera (George Washington)  
spoke on a panel sponsored by the  
Immigration Law Association about  
the 2024 Presidential Election, and the  
potential impacts on immigration law.



Arturo Carrillo (George Washington)  
co-authored a new briefing paper  
entitled Exploring Tech Company  
Responsibility in Armed Conflict,  
available here. The paper summarizes  
discussions and key takeaways from a  
three-part learning series organized in  
partnership with the International  
Committee of the Red Cross, the  
Stockholm International Peace  
Research Institute, and the Civil and  
Human Rights Clinic.



Anne Weismann (George Washington)  
presented The Future of FOIA. The  
panel discussed the problems and  
solutions that technology poses and  
shared perspectives as to what the  
future holds for accessing documents  
under the FOIA.

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## Books and Publications (cont.)

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Joan Meier (George Washington), whose response to *United States v. Rahimi: Resisting the “Suicide Pact”* for Now was published in *George Washington University Law Review*. In June 2024, Professor Meier presented at the AFCC annual conference in Boston on *The Truth About Kayden's Law* the federal provision of the Violence Against Women Act which incentivizes states to adopt more protective provisions in their custody statutes in return for federal dollars to fund family court trainings on abuse.

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## Retirements



Philip M. Genty (Columbia) retired in June 2024 as the Everett B. Birch Innovative Teaching Clinical Professor in Professional Responsibility. Philip joined the Columbia faculty in 1989 and co-founded and led the law school's Prisoners and Families Clinic, which was later renamed the Incarceration and the Family Clinic. He served as the longtime director of the law school's prestigious Harlan Fiske Stone Moot Court Competition and also as the Vice Dean for Experiential Education. He received a Columbia University Presidential Award for Outstanding Teaching in 2014, and Columbia Law School's Willis L.M. Reese Prize for Excellence in Teaching in 2008. Prior to Columbia, he taught at Brooklyn Law School and worked as an attorney at Prisoners' Legal Services of New York, the New York City Department of Housing, Preservation and Development, and the Bedford-Stuyvesant Community Legal Services Corporation.



Katherine Mattes (Tulane), Director of Tulane's Criminal Justice Clinic, Co-director of the Women's Prison Project, and Chair of Clinics, will retire in January after 23 years. Her work in criminal advocacy, including post-Katrina, reforms in the areas of juvenile life without parole sentencing, mental illness in the criminal legal system, and criminalized survivors of intimate partner violence, have changed the legal landscape in Louisiana.



Diane K. Smith (Seton Hall) retired in the fall of 2024 from her position as Managing Attorney of the Housing Justice Project at the Center for Social Justice. After a 40-career directing legal services offices in New Jersey, Diane left retirement in 2021 to join Seton Hall and launch the Housing Justice Project to combat the eviction crisis. She led the implementation of the Project at both Seton Hall and Rutgers.

## Remembrances

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Vermont Law and Graduate School mourns the passing of Professor Kevin Jones, founder and director of the school's Energy Clinic. Professor Jones made significant contributions to the field of energy law during his tenure from 2010 to 2024 and played a crucial role in establishing the school as a leader in energy law education. A memorial fund for student education has been established in his name: <https://www.givecampus.com/schools/VermontLawSchool/the-kevin-b-jones-fund#professor-jones>

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On Friday, November 15, 2024, George Washington University Law School hosted a symposium titled "Honoring the Legacy of Professor Susan R. Jones: Investing in Social Enterprises, Communities, and in the Next Generation of Social Impact Lawyers." Scholars, advocates, and former students gathered to celebrate the profound impact Professor Jones had on community economic development, social justice, and legal education. The Washington Area Lawyers for the Arts and the American Bar Association co-sponsored the program. The event also marked the launch of the Susan Jones Memorial Entrepreneur and Community Empowerment Award. This award, to be presented at graduation, honors a student exemplifying Professor Jones' values of community empowerment, financial literacy, and social entrepreneurship. The award includes a monetary contribution to support the recipient as they begin their career in a field indelibly shaped by Professor Jones.

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More than 25 years ago, clinical legal educators perceived the need to establish an organization that was separate from the AALS Clinical Section. The Clinical Legal Education Association was incorporated in 1992, in part to enable clinicians to act swiftly and independently – something the Clinical Section cannot do because of its status within the AALS. Another goal in creating CLEA was to broaden our community by allowing membership for many individuals who do not meet the eligibility requirements of the Clinical Section. CLEA and the Clinical Section do not compete; rather, the two organizations collaborate and their interests often overlap. CLEA urges clinical teachers to belong to both entities. CLEA is currently engaged in activities such as:

- Advocating on behalf of its members with the ABA Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar to further excellence in legal education;
- Supporting individual schools, programs, and teachers who face political interference and other threats;
- Working with the Clinical Section and NYU Law School to publish the peer-reviewed Clinical Law Review;
- Presenting the biennial New Clinicians Conference and other programs specifically designed for new clinical teachers at regional and other conferences;
- Supporting amicus briefs on topics important to clinical legal education;
- Commissioning and publishing Best Practices for Legal Education: A Vision and a Roadmap (Stuckey, et al, 2007), and supporting the publication of Building on Best Practices: Transforming Legal Education in a Changing World (Maranville, Bliss, Kaas, and Sedillo Lopez, et al, 2015).