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CURRENT POSITION

University of South Carolina School of Law, Columbia, SC (2006-present)

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Student Excellence, 2026-present

Class of 1969 Chair for Teaching Excellence, 2018-present

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, 2020-2026

Interim Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, 2020

Associate Dean for Diversity and Inclusion, 2016-2020

Professor of Law, 2013-present

Associate Professor of Law (with tenure), 2006-2013

Visiting Associate Professor of Law, Fall 2005

Courses: Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, Conflict of Laws, Federal Courts, Law and Social Justice

National and University Honors:

Student Disability Resource Center Thumbs Up Award, 2022

Michael J. Mungo Graduate Teaching Award, 2014

Social Justice Award (Faculty), 2014

Named as one of 26 “best law teachers” and featured in *What the Best Law Teachers Do* (Harvard University Press, 2013).

Law School Honors:

Invited Faculty Speaker at Winter Hooding Ceremony, 2022

Outstanding Faculty Member Award, 2008, 2010, 2020, 2021, 2023, 2025, and 2026

Eboni S. Nelson Award, 2017

Outstanding Faculty Publication Award, 2014 (article) and 2023 (book)

Best Classroom Teacher Award, 2014

University of Alabama School of Law, Tuscaloosa, AL

Visiting Associate Professor of Law, Fall 2011

University of Iowa College of Law, Iowa City, IA

Visiting Associate Professor of Law, Spring 2011

PAST POSITIONS

Northern Illinois University College of Law, DeKalb, IL (1998-2006)

Associate Professor of Law (with tenure), 2004-2006

Associate Professor of Law, 2002-2004

Assistant Professor of Law, 1998-2002

Courses: Criminal Law, Conflict of Laws, Federal Courts, Race, Racism, and the Law

Law School Honors:

Honorary Alumnus of the Year, 2006 (awarded by the NIUCOL Alumni Council)
Professor of the Year, 2000, 2002, 2005, and 2006
Best Faculty Advisor 2003-2004, 2004-2005

The University of Toledo College of Law, Toledo, OH (1997-1998)
Visiting Assistant Professor
Courses: Civil Procedure I, Civil Procedure II, Race, Racism, and the Law

The Honorable Eugene E. Siler, Jr. (1996-1997)
United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, London, Kentucky
Judicial Law Clerk

The United States Attorney's Office, Atlanta, Georgia (1995-1996)
Special Assistant United States Attorney

The Honorable Robert H. Hall (1994-1995)
United States District Court, Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta, Georgia
Judicial Law Clerk

EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University Law School, Nashville, Tennessee
J.D.
American Jurisprudence Awards (Corporations, Professional Responsibility)
Executive Research Editor, *Vanderbilt Journal of Transnational Law*

Duke University, Durham, North Carolina
A.B., (Comparative Area Studies and Sociology) *cum laude*
National Merit Scholar

SCHOLARLY WORKS

DISASTER LAW AND POLICY (Aspen Publishing, 4th Ed.) (forthcoming) (with Daniel A. Farber, Robert R.M. Verchick, Lisa Grow, and Clifford Villa)

Disaster Waivers as Uncompensated Risk Redistribution (Depaul Law Review, forthcoming in the 32d Annual Clifford Symposium edition)

CRIMINAL LAW FOR THE NEXT GENERATION (with Steve I. Friedland and Catherine L. Carpenter) (Carolina Academic Press) (under contract)

Navigating Neither, 56 U. PAC. L. REV. 37 (2024) (invited keynote)

Forcing Climate Change Compliance, 48 HARV. ENV'T L. REV. 437 (2024) (with Benjamin Means)

Corporate Compliance and Climate Change in THE CAMBRIDGE HANDBOOK OF DISASTER LAW AND POLICY: RISK, RECOVERY, AND REDEVELOPMENT (co-edited with

John Travis Marshall and Ryan Max Rowberry) (2022) (book chapter) (with Benjamin Means)

THE CAMBRIDGE HANDBOOK OF DISASTER LAW AND POLICY: RISK, RECOVERY, AND REDEVELOPMENT (co-edited with John Travis Marshall and Ryan Max Rowberry) (2022)

Climate Change Compliance, 107 IOWA L. REV. 2135 (2022) (with Benjamin Means)

A Corporate Rationale for Reparations, 62 B.C. L. REV. 800 (2021) (with Benjamin Means)

The Political Economy of Corporate Exit, 71 VAND. L. REV. 1293 (2018) (with Benjamin Means)

The Uneasy Case for Disaster Buyouts in CLIMATE DISASTER LAW: BARRIERS AND OPPORTUNITIES (Rosemary Lyster & Robert R.M. Verchick, eds. 2018) (Edward Elgar) (book chapter)

Collective Coercion, 57 B.C. L. REV. 1599 (2016) (with Benjamin Means)

After the Storm: The Vulnerability and Resilience of Locally Owned Business in VULNERABILITY: REFLECTIONS ON A NEW ETHICAL FOUNDATION FOR LAW AND POLITICS (Martha Albertson Fineman & Anna Grear, eds. 2013) (Ashgate) (book chapter) (with Benjamin Means)

Disaster Tradeoffs: The Doubtful Case for Public Necessity, 54 B.C. L. REV. 127 (2013)

Chapter 8: Social Justice Implications of Internment Redress in ERIC K. YAMAMOTO ET AL., RACE, RIGHTS AND REPARATION: LAW AND THE JAPANESE AMERICAN INTERNMENT (2d ed. 2013) (Aspen Law & Business) (contributing editor)

“Not Only Injurious to Individuals, but Dangerous to the State”: A Theory of Disaster Crime, DISASTERS, HAZARDS, AND LAW (Mathieu Deflem, ed. 2012) (Emerald) (part of Sociology of Crime, Law, and Deviance series) (book chapter)

Corporate Social Responsibility After Disaster, 89 WASH. U. L. REV. 973 (2012) (with Benjamin Means)

Engaging the Legal Academy in Disaster Response, 10 SEATTLE J. FOR SOC. JUST. 211 (2011) (with Davida Finger, Laila Hlass, Anne Hornsby, and Rachel Van Cleave)

Preserving Public Peace, Protecting Private Property, THE PUBLIC NATURE OF PRIVATE PROPERTY (Michael Diamond & Robin Malloy, eds. 2011) (Ashgate) (book chapter)

Speaking in Tongues: Mandating Multilingual Disaster Warnings in the Public Interest, 14 WASH. & LEE J. C.R. & SOC. JUST. 3 (2007) (lead article for symposium issue on Race and Class in the 21st Century: Through the Lens of Hurricane Katrina)

In Prosecutors We Trust: UK Lessons for the Illinois Disclosure Rule (co-authored with Dr. Chris Taylor at Bradford University, UK), 38 LOY. U. CHI. L.J. 695 (2007) (lead article for Illinois Judicial Symposium)

Official Indiscretions: Considering Sex Bargains with Government Informants, 38 U.C. DAVIS L. REV. 1643 (2005)

Culture Clash: Teaching Cultural Defenses in the Criminal Law Classroom, 48 ST. LOUIS U. L.J. 1297 (2004) (invited article for symposium issue on teaching criminal law).
Bringing in the State: Toward a Constitutional Duty to Protect from Mob Violence, 79 IND. L.J. 177 (2004)

A Little Privacy, Please: Should We Punish Parents for Teenage Sex?, 89 KY. L.J. 135 (2000-01)

PRESENTATIONS ON TEACHING AND PEDAGOGY

Presenter, “From Scaffolding to Synthesis: A Small-Group Assessment for Multi-Issue Legal Analysis,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), 2026 Meeting

Presenter, “Getting to Yes: Navigating the Path to Tenure, Promotion, and Renewal,” Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Workshop for Pretenure Law School Teachers (January 2026)

Presenter, “Scaffolding for Success in the Classroom,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), 2025 Meeting

Presenter, “Classroom 101 (Course Design + Teaching with Technology),” Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Workshop for New Law Teachers (June 2025)

Presenter and Facilitator, “Fostering Team Psychological Safety,” Palmetto Paralegal Association (February 2025)

Presenter, “Learning Through Engagement,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), 2024 Meeting

Presenter, “Ideas About Learning and Teaching for Newer Law Teachers,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) Webinar (May 2024)

Presenter, “Coffee with Colleagues (and Conversations about Teaching),” Elon University School of Law (October and November 2023)

Presenter, “Building Psychological Safety Through Self-Assessment,” Southeastern

Association of Law Schools (SEALS), 2023 Meeting

Presenter, “Teaching Advice for New Law Teachers,” Workshop for Pretenure Law School Teachers of Color, Session Three: Teaching, Annual Meeting 2023, Association of American Law Schools (AALS)

Presenter, “Post-Pandemic Assessment in Large Courses,” Elon University School of Law (November 2022)

Presenter, “First Gen: Preparing for Exams,” Elon University School of Law Webinar (November 2022)

Discussant, “Feedback and Assessment in Large Courses,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), 2022 Meeting

Presenter, “Teaching Your First Law School Course,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) Webinar (June 2022)

Presenter, “First Gen: Exams and Beyond,” Elon University School of Law Webinar (April 2022)

Presenter, “Creating an Inclusive Classroom,” Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Faculty Focus Webinar Series (April 2022)

Presenter, “Criminal Justice—Teaching in a Time of Trauma,” Section on Criminal Justice, Annual Meeting 2022, Association of American Law Schools (AALS) (January 2022)

Presenter, “Difficult Classroom Conversations,” Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Workshop for New Law Teachers (June 2021)

Presenter, “Race in the Classroom,” Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Workshop for New Law Teachers (June 2021)

Presenter, “Discussing Race in the Classroom,” Loyola University New Orleans College of Law (April 2021)

Presenter, “Handling Sensitive Issues in the Classroom,” Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Faculty Focus Webinar Series (March 2021)

Presenter, “Levels of Engaged Learning Through Experience,” Initiative for Excellence in Law Teaching, New York Law School (March 2021)

Presenter, “Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack in the Classroom,” Leading Edge Conference, Wolters Kluwer (July 2020)

Presenter, “Socio-Economic Pedagogy and Electoral Politics in an Increasingly Polarized Society,” Section on Socio-Economics, Annual Meeting 2020, Association of American

Law Schools (AALS)

Presenter, “So You’re a New Law Prof—What Now? What We Wish We Had Known (about Teaching)” Section on New Law Professors, Annual Meeting 2020, Association of American Law Schools (AALS)

Presenter, “Demonstrating How to Engage and Motivate Students,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), 2019 Meeting

Presenter, “Building Bridges: Teaching Students of Different Backgrounds, Interests, and Strengths,” Section on New Law Professors, Annual Meeting 2019, Association of American Law Schools (AALS)

Presenter and Moderator, “Bringing Modern Pedagogy to the Traditional Doctrinal Classroom: A Peaceful Revolution,” Section on Teaching Methods, Co-Sponsored by Evidence; Contracts; and Torts & Compensation Systems, Annual Meeting 2019, Association of American Law Schools (AALS)

Presenter, “Teaching Tips,” Center for Teaching Excellence, University of South Carolina (March 2018)

Presenter, “Teaching Techniques,” Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Workshop for New Law Teachers (June 2017)

Presenter, “Becoming a Good Classroom Teacher,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) 2013, 2014, and 2016 Meetings (August 2013, 2014, 2016)

Presenter, “Strategies from USC’s Award-Winning Teachers,” New Faculty Academy, Center for Teaching Excellence, University of South Carolina (September 2015)

Presenter, “Eighteen Years as a Traffic Cop: Rules of the Road,” Women’s Leadership Institute, University of South Carolina (April 2015)

Presenter, “Advice for Aspiring Faculty Members: An Afternoon with the 2013-2014 Mungo Award Winners,” Center for Teaching Excellence, University of South Carolina (October 2014)

Presenter, “Fifteen Years as a Traffic Cop: Rules of the Road,” What the Best Law Teacher’s Do: Educators in Action, Northwestern Law School (June 2014)

Presenter, “What Makes for Good Teaching,” Department of Justice Office of Legal Education National Advocacy Center, Columbia, SC (January 2014)

Presenter, “Becoming a Great Law Teacher,” Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Workshop for New Law Teachers (June 2013)

Presenter, “Effective Teaching Techniques in Criminal Law,” Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Mid-Year Conference on Criminal Justice (June 2013)

Presenter, “Why We Teach What We Teach in Law School,” First-Year Orientation Program, University of South Carolina School of Law (August 2012)

Presenter, “How to Teach Disaster as Part of a Torts Curriculum,” AALS Mid-Year Meeting, Workshop on Torts, Environment and Disaster (June 2012) (selected from request for proposals)

Presenter, “Teaching about Race, Gender, and Sexual Orientation in the Classroom,” Women’s Faculty Organization Speaker Series, University of South Carolina (September 2010)

Presenter, “Incorporating Issues of Race and Ethnicity into Law School Teaching,” Best Practices in Teaching Presentation, Florida Coastal School of Law (May 2008)

Presenter, “Teaching Race as, or, with, Doctrine in the Criminal Law Context,” panel presentation at the Second National People/Law Faculty of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, George Washington University Law School (October 2004)

Presenter, “Multicultural Curriculum: Incorporating Issues of Race and Ethnicity,” presentation at the Multicultural Curriculum Transformation Institute, Northern Illinois University (May 2003) (May 2002) (May 2001) (May 2000) (May 1999)

Presenter, “Learning Using Simulation and Role Playing,” presentation for Teaching Effectiveness Institute, Northern Illinois University (August 2002)

PRESENTATIONS ON INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE

Presenter and Facilitator, “Creating Psychological Safety,” South Carolina Bar Convention (January 2025)

Presenter and Facilitator, Identity Workshop, South Carolina Bar Leadership Academy (January 2024)

Presenter and Facilitator, Diversity and Inclusion Training, South Carolina Law Review, University of South Carolina School of Law (August 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 (anticipated))

Presenter, “The How and Why of DE&I: Implementing an Inclusion Plan in Law Schools,” Webinar, American Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division (April 2022)

Presenter and Facilitator, “Identity and Inclusion Exercise,” Dreher Leadership Club, Dreher High School (December 2021)

Presenter and Facilitator, Inclusive Excellence at USC workshop, Center for Teaching

Excellence and the Office of Diversity and Inclusion, University of South Carolina (March 2021)

Presenter and Facilitator, “Identity and Inclusion Exercise,” United States Attorney’s Office for the District of South Carolina (March 2021)

Presenter and Facilitator, “Race and the Law School Curriculum,” Section on Associate Deans for Academic Affairs and Research, Annual Meeting 2021, Association of American Law Schools (AALS)

Presenter, “Classroom, Climate, and Community: How Associate Deans Accommodate and Support Diverse Stakeholders,” Section on Associate Deans for Academic Affairs and Research, Annual Meeting 2021, Association of American Law Schools (AALS)

Presenter and Facilitator, “Identity and Inclusion Exercise,” Founders Federal Credit Union (September and December 2020)

Presenter and Facilitator, Diversity and Inclusion and Group Exercise, Orientation, University of South Carolina School of Law (2016-2020)

Presenter and Facilitator, Diversity and Inclusion Training, Journal of Law and Education, University of South Carolina School of Law (August 2020)

Presenter, “Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion” New Faculty Academy, Center for Teaching Excellence, University of South Carolina (February 2020)

Presenter, “How ___ Can I Be?” South Carolina Young Lawyers Division Diversity Committee (January 2020)

Presenter and Facilitator, “Diversity and Inclusion Overview and Group Exercises,” Richardson Plowden & Robinson (December 2019)

Presenter and Facilitator, The Minority Student Welcome Event, University of South Carolina School of Law (August 2019)

Presenter and Facilitator, “Diversity and Inclusion Overview and Group Exercises,” Turner, Padgett, Graham, and Laney (August 2019, March 2020)

Presenter, “Best Practices for Practicing Diversity and Inclusion in Your Workplace,” South Carolina Bar Convention (January 2019)

Presenter and Facilitator, “Law Firms and Diversity and Inclusion,” Robinson, Gray, Stepp & Laffitte (formerly Sowell, Gray, Robinson, Stepp & Laffitte) (June 2018)

Presenter and Facilitator, “Building a Culture of Inclusion,” South Carolina Appellate Judges Conference (March 2018)

Presenter, “Diversity is a State of Mind,” CLE Program, South Carolina Bar, Diversity Committee (March 2018)

Presenter and Facilitator, “Diversity and Inclusion Overview and Group Exercises,” South Carolina Court of Appeals, Judges’ Retreat (March 2017)

Presenter, “Diversity and Inclusion,” Diversity Video Series, South Carolina Bar, Diversity Committee (December 2017)

Presenter, “Best and Worst Practices in Law School Diversity Initiatives,” Webinar, American Bar Association, Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar (November 2017)

Presenter and Facilitator, Peer Mentor Diversity and Inclusion Training, University of South Carolina School of Law (2017, 2018, 2019)

Presenter and Facilitator, “Diversity and Inclusion Overview and Group Exercises,” South Carolina Bar Leadership Academy (February 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)

Presenter and Facilitator, “The Law School Community,” University of South Carolina School of Law (2016, 2017, 2018, 2019)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Presenter, “Disaster Waivers as Uncompensated Risk Redistribution,” University of South Carolina Joseph F. Rice School of Law (September 2026)

Presenter, “Associate Deans 101,” 2026 ABA Associate Deans Conference (June 2026)

Presenter, “Disaster Governance by Waiver: How Emergency Legal Suspensions Reallocate Risk to the Vulnerable,” 32d Annual Clifford Symposium: Civil Justice and the Challenge of Climate Change, DePaul University College of Law (May 2026)

Presenter/Facilitator, “Team Leadership Workshop,” LeadSC Invest, South Carolina Department of Administration (March 2026)

Presenter, “Navigating Neither,” McGeorge Centennial Speakers Series, University of the Pacific – McGeorge School of Law (April 2024)

Presenter, “When Can You Act in Self-Defense?,” WellWithin Martial Arts (June 2023 and January 2024)

Presenter, “Government Liability for Riot Harm,” 2021 Annual Judicial Conference, South Carolina Judicial Branch (October 2021)

Presenter/Teacher, “Historical/Legal Context,” South Carolina Supreme Court Institute (June 2016, June 2017, June 2018, June 2019)

Presenter/Facilitator and Moderator, “Effective Communication Strategies,” Konduros Leadership Development Program, University of South Carolina (September 2015, February 2016, January 2018, January 2019, January 2020)

Presenter, “Disaster Response, Recovery, and Relief in Minority Communities,” Sections on Environmental Law, Minority Groups; and State & Local Government Law Joint Program, Co-Sponsored by Agricultural & Food Law; and Natural Resources & Energy Law, Annual Meeting 2019, Association of American Law Schools (AALS)

Presenter, “Substantive Overview of Most Common Criminal Offenses,” Media Law School, University of South Carolina and the American Board of Trial Advocates (September 2015, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2024, 2026)

Presenter, “South Carolina Criminal Law and Procedure,” South Carolina Component of the Uniform Bar Examination, South Carolina Board of Bar Examiners (October 2016)

Presenter, “Interacting with Law Enforcement: Your Rights and Your Safety,” South Carolina Young Lawyers Division Diversity Committee (July 2016)

Presenter, “A Public Order Theory of Punishment,” 78th Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA (March 2015)

Presenter, “Understanding the Work of the U.S. Supreme Court: Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure Developments,” University of South Carolina School of Law (October 2016) (November 2015) (October 2014) (October 2013) (February 2012) (September 2010), (October 2007) (September 2006)

Presenter and Moderator, Panel on True Confessions, Symposium on Prosecutorial Ethics and Duties, University of South Carolina School of Law (March 2012)

Presenter, “Corporate Social Responsibility After Disaster,” Faculty Speakers Series, University of Alabama School of Law (October 2011)

Presenter, “Social Capital and Disaster Recovery,” Annual Meeting of Southeast Association of Law Schools, Hilton Head, SC (August 2011)

Presenter, “Corporate Social Responsibility After Disaster,” Faculty Speakers Series, University of Iowa College of Law (April 2011)

Presenter, “Social Networks After Disaster: The Role of Locally Owned Business, Annual Meeting of the Conference of Asian Pacific Law Faculty (CAPALF) and Western Law Teachers of Color (WLTC) Conference, The University of Hawaii Law School (December 2010) (with Benjamin Means)

Presenter, “Helping Corporations Mitigate Disaster Harm,” Vulnerability and the ‘Corporation’ Workshop, Feminism and Legal Theory Project, Emory University School of Law (October 2010) (with Benjamin Means)

Presenter, “Disaggregating Disaster Vulnerability,” Race and the Family Conference, University of South Carolina School of Law (October 2010)

Presenter, “Disaggregating Disaster Vulnerability,” Third National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Seton Hall University School of Law (September 2010)

Presenter, “Susceptibility and Resilience in the Face of Disaster,” Annual Meeting of Southeast Association of Law Schools, West Palm Beach, FL (July 2010)

Presenter, “Riot Insurance,” The Scholar Advocates Project, University of Hawaii Law School (December 2009)

Presenter, “Protecting the Peace by Insuring Riots,” Prawfsfest, Southwestern Law School (December 2009)

Presenter, “Preserving Peace, Protecting Property,” The Public Nature of Private Property Workshop sponsored by the Center on Property, Citizenship, and Social Entrepreneurism and Georgetown University Law Center (November 2008)

Presenter, “Fifty Bucks and a Bus Ticket: Rethinking Crime and Punishment,” paper presentation at Joint Western Law Teachers of Color (WLTC) Conference and Annual Meeting of the Conference of the Asian Pacific American Law Faculty (CAPALF), University of Denver Sturm College of Law (April 2008)

Presenter, “Rehabilitating Punishment,” panel presentation at Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference at North Carolina Central University School of Law (April 2008)

Presenter, “(Pontius) Pilate of the Airwaves: How the FCC Helped Exclude Minorities From Ownership of the Airwaves,” paper presentation at Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference at North Carolina Central University School of Law (April 2008)

Presenter, “Speaking in Tongues: Mandating English-Only Disaster Warnings in the Public Interest,” paper presentation at Texas Wesleyan School of Law (October 2007)

Presenter, “Speaking in Tongues: Equal Access to Public Warnings for Non-English Speakers,” panel presentation at “Race and Class in the 21st Century: Through the Lens of Hurricane Katrina,” Feature Symposium jointly sponsored by the Frances Lewis Law Center and the Journal of Civil Rights and Social Justice, Washington and Lee University School of Law (April 2007)

Presenter, “Rethinking the Role of the Asian-American Lawyer: Asians in Academia,” panel presentation at the Sixth Annual Mid-Atlantic Conference of Asian Pacific American Law Students, The University of Pennsylvania Law School (January 2007)

Presenter, “Invisible, with Liberty and Justice for All?: Evaluating English-Only Disaster Warnings,” paper presentation at Northern Illinois University College of Law (January 2006)

Presenter, “Bringing in the State: Towards a Constitutional Duty to Protect from Mob Violence,” paper presentation at University of South Carolina School of Law (October 2005)

Presenter, “Bringing in the State: Towards a Constitutional Duty to Protect from Mob Violence,” paper presentation at Mercer University School of Law (December 2005)

Presenter, “Redressing Civil Rights Violations,” panel presentation at the Mid-Atlantic People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, University of Louisville School of Law (February 2005)

Presenter, “Bringing in the State: Extending the Constitutional Duty to Protect from Mob Violence,” paper presentation at the Conference of the Asian Pacific American Law Faculty, Michigan State University College of Law (September 2004)

Presenter, “Reparations and the Minority Community,” presentation for Law Day Program, Rainbow/PUSH Coalition, Chicago, IL (May 2002)

Presenter, “Bringing in the State: Legislative Solutions to Mob Violence and the Thinning Blue Line,” paper presentation at Midwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Loyola University Chicago Law School (April 2002)

Presenter, “Bringing in the State: Legislative Solutions to Mob Violence and the Thinning Blue Line,” paper presentation for Northern Illinois University College of Law Board of Visitors (April 2002)

Presenter, “Domestic Violence and Law Enforcement,” presentation for Northern Illinois University College of Law Domestic Abuse Brown Bag (October 2001)

Presenter, “Asian America and the Civil Rights Movement,” presentation at Asian American Welcome Night, Northern Illinois University (September 2001)

Presenter, “Official Obligations to Meet the Mob: Reading the Riot Act into 14 U.S.C. § 1986,” Conference of Asian Pacific American Law Faculty (CAPALF) Academic Retreat, Santa Clara University School of Law (June 1999)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Member, Columbia Prepares Advisory Committee for the City of Columbia, South Carolina (2026-present)

Member, Resolution Officer Search Committee, University of South Carolina Office of Civil Rights & Title IX (2025)

Member, John Belton O'Neill Inn of Court (2025-present)

Faculty Advisory Committee, University of South Carolina Office of the Faculty Senate Chair (2025-present)

Member (2024-present)

Presenter, "Leadership in the Community," Provost's Advisory Committee for Women's Issues University of South Carolina (2024)

Moderator, "Tolerance Means Dialogues," Constitution Day event, University of South Carolina Joseph F. Rice School of Law and College of Arts and Sciences, Benedict College, and the Tolerance Means Dialogues Project (2023)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS)

Immediate-Past President (2025-present)

President (2024-2025)

Vice-President/President Elect (2023-2024)

Member, Legal Opportunity Scholarship Fundraising Committee, American Bar Association (2022-2025)

Presenter, "Best Practices for Associate Deans for Academic Affairs in the Era of COVID-19 and Beyond," Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), 2022 Meeting

Speaker, Academic Leadership Development Program (ALDP) Alumni Panel, SEC ALDP Workshop, University of South Carolina (2022)

Member, Advisory Committee for the University of South Carolina Center for Teaching Excellence (2021-2025)

Member, Search Committee for Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost at the University of South Carolina (2021-2022)

Speaker, "Higher Education and Academia," McGeorge Pathway Event of the Sacramento Legal Employer Diversity Collaborative, University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law Business at Moore (2021)

Speaker, "Empowering Women in the Legal Profession," Clemson Diversity in the Law Day event (2021)

Moderator, “A Journey Through America’s Silent History: Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Webinar,” ABA Judicial Division (2021)

Co-Host, “*The Blinding of Isaac Woodard* Follow-Up Discussion with the Honorable Richard M. Gergel,” University of South Carolina School of Law (2021)

Speaker, “Concerns of Scholars from Marginalized Groups,” Mid-Career Faculty Development Program, College of Arts & Sciences, University of South Carolina (2021)

Member, Associate and Assistant Graduate Deans Council, University of South Carolina (2021-2024)

Member, Assessment Advisory Committee, University of South Carolina (2021-present)

Member, Planning Committee for the Spring 2022 SEC Academic Leadership Development Program Workshop, University of South Carolina (2021-2022)

Member, Title IX Task Force, University of South Carolina (2021)
Member, Title IX Task Force Faculty/Student Work Group (2021)

Academic Program Liaison, University of South Carolina School of Law (2020-present)

Member, College Food Insecurity Subcommittee, City of Columbia Food Policy Committee (2020-present)

Member, Conference Planning Committee for the ABA 19th Amendment Conference, American Bar Association (2019-2021)

Member, Diversity Board for the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law (2019-present)

Member, Wolters Kluwer Diversity in Legal Education Committee, Wolters Kluwer Legal Education (2017-2019)

Southeast Association of Law Schools (SEALS) Inclusiveness Committee
Chair (2018-2019)
Co-Chair (2017-2018, 2019-2023)
Member (2013-2024)

Commissioner, City of Columbia Municipal Election Commission (2013-2025)
Chair (2019-2025)

Member, University of Georgia Law Faculty Research Award Committee (2021)

Member, Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Unit Level Governance, University of South Carolina (2020)

Member, Future Planning Group (FPG)—Finance Committee, University of South Carolina (2020)
 Member, FPG Cost Containment/Cost Savings Subcommittee (2020)
 Member, FPG DEI Subcommittee (2020)

Member, President’s Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee (DIAC), University of South Carolina (2018-2020)

Member, Council of Academic Diversity Officers, University of South Carolina (2016-2020)
 Member, Graduate Student Recruitment Working Group (2017-2020)

Chair, 2019 Workshop for New Law Teachers Planning Committee, Association of American Law Schools (AALS) (2018-2019)

Invited Participant, Design Thinking Workshop, Elon University Law School (2017)

Fellow, Southeastern Conference (SEC) Academic Leadership Development Program (2016-2017)

Speaker, “Business as Pre-Law Major,” Business at Moore, University of South Carolina (2016)

Fellow, Pipeline for Academy Leaders (PAL) Program, University of South Carolina (2015-2016)

Outside Reviewer for Promotion and Tenure Applicants
 (Georgia State University College of Law 2020)
 (University of Massachusetts School of Law 2019)
 (Georgia State University College of Law 2017)
 (University of Mississippi School of Law 2016)
 (Georgia State University College of Law 2015)
 (Seattle University School of Law 2012)
 (Florida A&M University College of Law 2012)
 (St. John’s University Law School 2007)

Chair, Mungo Graduate Teaching Award Committee, University of South Carolina (2016-2018)
 Member (2015-2019)

Invited Participant, Leading Edge Conference, Wolters Kluwer (2014-2022)

Member, Faculty Welfare Committee, University of South Carolina (2014-2017)

Affiliated Researcher, Hazards Vulnerability and Resilience Institute, University of South Carolina (2013-present)

Member, Interview Committee for Outstanding Woman of the Year Award, University of South Carolina (2014, 2015)

Faculty Chair, Provost's Advisory Committee for Women's Issues University of South Carolina (2013-2014)
Chair, New and Current Policy Subcommittee (2012-2013)
Member (2014-2015)

Board member, East Point Academy of South Carolina (South Carolina's First Chinese Immersion Elementary School), Cayce, SC (2013-2016)
Secretary and Board Member (2013-2015)

Affiliate Equity Officer and Board Member, American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of South Carolina, Charleston, SC (2013-2016)

Member, SEALS Resource Team for Criminal Law (2016-2017)

Speaker, AALS Faculty Appointments Registrants Workshop, Washington, DC (2012)

Member, SEALS Beginning and Newer Law Teachers Workshop Committee (2012-present)

Member, SEALS Program Committee (2011-2013)

Board Member, South Carolina HIV/AIDS Council, Columbia, SC (2008-2014)

Member, SEALS Moderator Committee (2008-2011)

Member, Minority Media and Telecommunications Council Telecom Policy Working Group, Washington, DC (2008-2009)

Alumna Interviewer, Duke University Alumni Admissions Advisory Committee (2007-2014)

University of South Carolina School of Law Representative, Society of American Law Teachers (2007-2012)

Executive Board Member and Treasurer, Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference (SESWPOC) (2007-2010)

Member, SESWPOC Conference Planning Committee (2007-2010)

Member, Conference of Asian Pacific American Law Faculty (CAPALF)/Northeast
People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference Planning Committee (2011)

Speaker, SEALS Workshop on Curricular Development (2011)

Moderator, SEALS panel (Theories of Equality) (2009)

Guest Blogger, PrawfsBlawg (December 2008, September 2010)

Guest Blogger, Concurring Opinion (October 2008)

Moderator, SEALS New Scholars Panel (Labor and Employment Law) (2008)

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Faculty, CLEO Sophomore Summer Institute Program, NIU College of Law (2004, 2005)

Executive Board, CAPALF, Inc. (2003-2013)

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Member, Preservation of Locke, California Ad Hoc Legal Advisory Team (2003)

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