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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Georgia School of Law

Fuller E. Callaway Chair of Law

Charles H. Kirbo Chair of Law

Professor of Law

Associate Professor of Law

Athens, Georgia

Jan. 2019 - present

Jan. 2016 - Dec. 2018

Aug. 2015 - Jan. 2016

May 2011 - Aug. 2015

Courses: Civil Procedure, Torts, Mass Torts, Complex Litigation, Multidistrict Litigation Strategy

Honors: C. Ronald Ellington Award for Excellence in Teaching, 2026

DANY Civil Justice Award, 2026

UGA Provost's Study in a Second Discipline Fellow, 2021-2023

Mangano Dispute Resolution Award, 2019

Fred C. Zacharias Memorial Prize for Professional Responsibility Scholarship, 2016

American Law Institute, Early Career Scholar's Medal, 2015

John C. O'Byrne Memorial Student-Faculty Award, 2014

Harvard Law School

Visiting Professor of Law

Courses: Civil Procedure, Emerging Issues in Mass Torts

Cambridge, Massachusetts

Aug. 2017-Dec. 2017

Florida State University College of Law

Assistant Professor of Law

Tallahassee, Florida

May 2008-May 2011

Courses: Complex Litigation, Civil Procedure, Evidence

Honors: University-wide Graduate Teaching Award, 2011

Tenure awarded, 2011

Voted "Professor of the Year," 2010

Cumberland School of Law, Samford University

Assistant Professor of Law

Birmingham, Alabama

May 2006-May 2008

Courses: Complex Litigation, Civil Procedure I, Civil Procedure II, Law and Literature

Honors: Harvey S. Jackson Excellence in Teaching Award, 2008

Lightfoot, Franklin & White Faculty Scholarship Award, 2008

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

- THE PAIN BROKERS: HOW CON MEN, CALL CENTERS, AND ROGUE DOCTORS FUEL AMERICA'S LAWSUIT FACTORY (One Signal Press/Simon & Schuster 2026)
 - Reviews: [The New Yorker](#), [Booklist](#), [Publishers Weekly](#), [Kirkus](#)

- THE LAW OF CLASS ACTIONS AND OTHER AGGREGATE LITIGATION (Foundation Press, 3d ed., 2020) (with the late Richard Nagareda, Robert G. Bone, and Patrick Woolley) (updated annually)
- MASS TORT DEALS: BACKROOM BARGAINING IN MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION (Cambridge University Press 2019)
- THE LAW OF CLASS ACTIONS AND OTHER AGGREGATE LITIGATION (Foundation Press, 2d ed. 2013) (with the late Richard Nagareda, Robert G. Bone, Charles Silver, and Patrick Woolley)
 - TEACHER’S MANUAL TO THE LAW OF CLASS ACTIONS AND OTHER AGGREGATE LITIGATION (Foundation Press, 2d ed. 2013)

Articles:

- *Adequate Representation in Group Litigation*, 86 LOUISIANA LAW REVIEW 433 (2026) (symposium)
- *Against Bankruptcy: Public Litigation Values Versus the Endless Quest for Global Peace in Mass Litigation*, 133 YALE LAW JOURNAL FORUM 525 (2024) (with Abbe R. Gluck and Adam S. Zimmerman)
- *Plaintiffs’ Process: Civil Procedure, MDL, and a Day in Court*, 42 REVIEW OF LITIGATION 225 (2023) (with Abbe R. Gluck) (symposium)
- *MDL for the People*, 108 IOWA LAW REVIEW 1015 (2023) (with Margaret S. Williams)
- *Perceptions of Justice in Multidistrict Litigation: Voices from the Crowd*, 107 CORNELL LAW REVIEW 1835 (2022) (with Margaret S. Williams)
- *MDL Revolution*, 96 NEW YORK UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 1 (2021) (with Abbe R. Gluck)
- *Judicial Adjuncts in Multidistrict Litigation*, 120 COLUMBIA LAW REVIEW 2129 (2020) (with Margaret S. Williams)
- *Information for the Common Good in Mass Torts*, 70 DEPAUL LAW REVIEW 345 (2020) (with Alexandra D. Lahav) (Clifford symposium)
- *Nudges and Norms in Multidistrict Litigation: A Response to Engstrom*, 129 YALE LAW JOURNAL FORUM 64 (2019)
- *Repeat Players in Multidistrict Litigation: The Social Network*, 102 CORNELL LAW REVIEW 1445 (2017) (with Margaret S. Williams)
- *Monopolies in Multidistrict Litigation*, 70 VANDERBILT LAW REVIEW 67 (2017) (awarded the 2019 Mangano Dispute Resolution Award for groundbreaking scholarship in multidistrict litigation)
- *Calibrating Participation: Reflections on Procedure versus Procedural Justice*, 65 DEPAUL LAW REVIEW 601 (2016) (Clifford symposium)
- *Constructing Issue Classes*, 101 VIRGINIA LAW REVIEW 1855 (2015)
- *Judging Multidistrict Litigation*, 90 NEW YORK UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 71 (2015) (awarded the 2016 Fred C. Zacharias Memorial Prize for Scholarship in Professional Responsibility)
- *Remanding Multidistrict Litigation*, 75 LOUISIANA LAW REVIEW 399 (2014) (symposium)
- *Adequately Representing Groups*, 81 FORDHAM LAW REVIEW 3043 (2013) (symposium)
- *Disaggregating*, 90 WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 667 (2013) (symposium)
- *Financiers as Monitors in Aggregate Litigation*, 87 NEW YORK UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 1273 (2012)

- *Optimal Lead Plaintiffs*, 64 VANDERBILT LAW REVIEW 1109 (2011), *reprinted in* 53 CORPORATE PRACTICE COMMENTATOR 893 (2012)
- *Litigating Together: Social, Moral, and Legal Obligations*, 91 BOSTON UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 87 (2011)
- *Group Consensus, Individual Consent*, 79 GEORGE WASHINGTON LAW REVIEW 506 (2011) (symposium)
- *Aggregation, Community, and the Line Between*, 58 KANSAS LAW REVIEW 101 (2010) (symposium)
- *Litigating Groups*, 61 ALABAMA LAW REVIEW 1 (2009)
- *Procedural Justice in Nonclass Aggregation*, 44 WAKE FOREST LAW REVIEW 1 (2009)
- *Securities Class Actions as Pragmatic Ex Post Regulation*, 43 GEORGIA LAW REVIEW 63 (2008)
- *CAFA's Impact on Litigation as a Public Good*, 29 CARDOZO LAW REVIEW 2517 (2008)
- *Reassessing Damages in Securities Fraud Class Actions*, 66 MARYLAND LAW REVIEW 348 (2007)
- L. Elizabeth Chamblee, *Unsettling Efficiency: When Non-Class Aggregation of Mass Torts Creates Second-Class Settlements*, 65 LOUISIANA LAW REVIEW 157 (2004)
- L. Elizabeth Chamblee, Comment, *Between "Merit Inquiry" and "Rigorous Analysis": Using Daubert to Navigate the Gray Areas of Federal Class Action Certification*, 31 FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 1041 (2004)
- L. Elizabeth Chamblee, Comment, *Rhetoric or Rights?: When Culture and Religion Bar Girls' Right to Education*, 44 VIRGINIA JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 1073 (2004)
- L. Elizabeth Chamblee, Comment, *Post-War Iraq: Prosecuting Saddam Hussein*, 7 CALIFORNIA CRIMINAL LAW REVIEW 1 (2004)
- L. Elizabeth Chamblee, Comment, *Time for a Legislative Change: Florida's Stagnant Standard Governing Mental Competency for Execution*, 31 FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 335 (2004)

Shorter Works:

- *I Saw the Dark Side of Tort Law. It's Way More Shocking Than You'd Expect*, SLATE, Jan. 13, 2026
- *"Like Shooting Fish in a Barrel." Meet the Men Profiting Off the Medical Fears of Thousands of Women*, LITERARY HUB, Jan. 12, 2026
- *Data versus More Data in Multidistrict Litigation*, 107 CORNELL LAW REVIEW ONLINE 268 (2023)
- *Collected Wisdom on Selecting Leaders and Managing MDLs*, JUDICATURE (2022) (with the Honorable Stephen R. Bough)
- *Life Inside the Mass Tort Machine*, REUTERS, Aug. 11, 2021
- *Multidistrict Litigation and Bayer's Failed Roundup Gambit*, REUTERS, June 1, 2021
- *Diversity in MDL Leadership: A Field Guide*, 89 UMKC LAW REVIEW 841 (2021) (symposium)
- Perspectives, *Does Multidistrict Litigation Deny Plaintiffs Due Process?*, LAW360, June 9, 2019
- *Publicly Funded Objectors*, 19 THEORETICAL INQUIRIES IN LAW 47 (2018) (peer-reviewed symposium)
- Op-ed, *What Duties Do Lead Lawyers Owe Plaintiffs in Multidistrict Litigation*, LAW360, Oct. 10, 2017
- *Five First-Year Survival Tips*, HARVARD LAW RECORD, Aug. 31, 2017

- Op-ed, *Congress's Judicial Mistrust*, BLOOMBERG LAW, 45 PRODUCT SAFETY & LIABILITY RPT. 340, Apr. 3, 2017 (with Myriam Gilles)
- *Financing Issue Classes: Benefits and Barriers to Third-Party Funding*, 12 NEW YORK UNIVERSITY JOURNAL OF LAW AND BUSINESS 889 (2016) (symposium)
- *On Regulatory Discord and Procedure*, 11 NEW YORK UNIVERSITY JOURNAL OF LAW AND BUSINESS 819 (2015) (symposium)
- *Revisiting Government as Plaintiff*, 5 JOURNAL OF TORT LAW 227 (2014) (symposium) (response to Adam S. Zimmerman, *The Corrective Justice State*, 5 JOURNAL OF TORT LAW 189 (2014))
- *Governing Securities Class Actions*, 80 CINCINNATI LAW REVIEW 299 (2012) (symposium)
- *Introduction: Dukes v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.*, 63 VANDERBILT LAW REVIEW EN BANC 91 (2010) (introduction to Vanderbilt Law Review's roundtable debate)
- *Procedural Adequacy*, 88 TEXAS LAW REVIEW *SEE ALSO* 55 (2010) (invited response to Jay Tidmarsh, *Rethinking Adequacy of Representation*, 87 TEXAS LAW REVIEW 1137 (2009))
- *There's A Pennoyer in My Foyer: Civil Procedure According to Dr. Seuss*, 13 GREEN BAG 2D 105 (2009)
- *A New Way Forward: A Response to Judge Weinstein*, 2009 CARDOZO LAW REVIEW DE NOVO 168 (invited response to Judge Jack B. Weinstein, *Preliminary Reflections on Administrations of Complex Litigations*, 2009 CARDOZO LAW REVIEW DE NOVO 1)
- *Nonjurisdictionality or Inequity*, 102 NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW COLLOQUY 64 (2007) (invited response to Scott Dodson, *Jurisdictionality and Bowles v. Russell*, 102 NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW COLLOQUY 42 (2007))
- *Superseding and Staying Judgments in Georgia*, in *SUPERSEDING AND STAYING JUDGMENTS: A NATIONAL COMPENDIUM* (ABA 2007) (written with Laurie Webb Daniel while in practice)

PRESENTATIONS AND PANELS

The Pain Brokers: How Con Men, Call Centers, and Rogue Doctors Fuel America's Lawsuit Factory

- Book talk with Stacey Gilman, Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Foundation, Kansas City, MO July 2026
- Book talk with Claire Rush, Defense Association of New York, New York, NY, June 2026
- Book talk with Kaspar Stoffelmayr, Lawyers for Civil Justice Conference, Washington, DC, May 2026
- Book talk with Corey Stern, Powerhouse Arena, Brooklyn, NY, April 2026
- Panelist, When Mass Torts Go Wrong, Cardozo Law School, April 2026
- Panelist, Crimes of Science and Health, Los Angeles Times Festival of Books, April 2026
- Book talks with Professor Myriam Gilles, at Northwestern University School of Law and at Barbara's Bookstore, Chicago, IL, April 2026
- Book talks with Professor Brian Fitzpatrick at Vanderbilt University Law School and Vanderbilt University Bookstore, Nashville, TN, April 2026
- Book talk with Dale Hughes, Brown Dog Bookstore, Kennesaw, GA, March 2026
- Book talk with Professor Katie Horowitz, Main Street Books, Davidson, NC, February 2026
- Meet the Author, Matthews Glen, Charlotte, NC, February 2026
- Book talk with Joel Wooten, Columbus Bound Bookshop, Columbus, GA, February 2026
- Book talk with Lauren Vickroy Purdy, Jacksonville Florida Federal Bar Association, February 2026
- Book talk in conversation with Don Samuel, Decatur Public Library, January 2026
- Book talk in conversation with Judge Richard Story, N.D.G.A., UGA Law School, January 2026
- Book talk in conversation with Dr. Jon Peters, Athens Public Library, January 2026

Presenter, American Association of Law Schools, New Orleans, January 2026
Presenter, University of Virginia School of Law Faculty Workshop, October 2024
Presenter, Duke Law School Public Law Colloquium, September 2024
Presenter, Annual Civil Procedure Professors' Workshop, U.C. Law San Francisco, June 2024
Presenter, Emory School of Law/University of Georgia School of Law Workshop, July 2023

Against Bankruptcy: Public Litigation Values Versus the Endless Quest for Global Peace

Presenter, Louisiana Law Review Symposium, LSU Law School, February 2025
Presenter, Clifford Law Review Symposium, DePaul Law School, June 2024

Opioids Crisis – Legal and Health Implications

Presenter, West Virginia Law Review Symposium, West Virginia College of Law, April 2024
Presenter, Georgetown Opioid Litigation Summit, State of the Settlements, Bellwethers, and Settlement Design Innovations, Sept. 2021
Presenter, 26th Annual Clifford Symposium on Tort Law and Social Policy, The Opioid Crisis: Where Do We Go from Here?, DePaul Law School, Webinar, May 2020
Presenter, National Governors Association, Teleconference, February 2020
Podcast Interview, Harvard Law School, MDL Class Project, October 2019
Panelist, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Boca Raton, Florida August 2019

Attorney's Fees in Class Actions

Moderator, National Association of Legal Fee Analysis CLE, June 2023

Plaintiffs' Process

Presenter, Yale Law School, Managerial Judges at 40, November 2022

MDL for the People

Presenter, Faculty Colloquium, Emory Law School, February 2022
Presenter, Mass Torts Evolve: The Intersection of Aggregate Litigation and Bankruptcy, Fordham Law School Symposium, February 2022
Presenter, AALS Natural Resources and Energy Law and Torts and Compensation Systems Joint Program, Online, January 2022

Perceptions of Justice in Multidistrict Litigation: Voices from the Crowd

Presenter, Procedural Justice @ 50, Yale Law School, November 2025
Presenter, International Conference Revisiting Procedural Fundamental Guarantees, Vitoria Brazil, April 2025
Presenter, MDL Roundtable, Stanford Center on the Legal Profession, May 2022
Podcast Presenter, *Non-Compliant Podcast*, with Jay Edelson, May 2022
Dinner Presenter, 2022 Contemporary Issues in Complex Litigation, Northwestern Law School, Online, April 2022
Presenter, Settlement in the 21st Century, University of Illinois College of Law, April 2022
Presenter, Ralph Nader Radio Hour, Sept. 2021
Presenter, UC Berkeley Law School, Civil Justice Research Initiative, Selection of MDL Leadership Panel, Sept. 2021
Presenter, Emory School of Law/University of Georgia School of Law Workshop, June 2021
Presenter, Civil Procedure Workshop Summer 2021 Works-in-Progress Series, July 2021

Inclusion in the Judiciary and in the Court Rooms

Presenter, National Association of Women Lawyers, 2021 Annual Meeting, Online, July 2021

MDL Revolution

Presenter, AALS, Federal Courts Section, Online, January 2022
Presenter, Faculty Workshop, Loyola Law School, Online, February 2021
Presenter, Faculty Workshop, University of Georgia School of Law, Online, October 2020
Presenter, Sixth Annual Civil Procedure Workshop, Northwestern Law School, Online, October 2020

MDLs and Class Actions

Presenter, Best Practices in Resolution and the Search for Closure, 2022 Contemporary Issues in Complex Litigation, Northwestern Law School, Online, April 2022
Presenter, Civil Procedure Professors' Unavailability Workshop, Online, March 2021
Discussant, Lumpkin Inn of Court, Online, March 2021
Discussant, Atlanta Bar Association Thought Leader Series, on Brian Fitzpatrick, *The Conservative Case for Class Actions*, November 2020
Podcast Host and Presenter, MDLs Go Mainstream: Mass Torts Today, American Law Institute, Reasonably Speaking Podcast, October 2020
Presenter, NYU Civil Justice Center, MDL and Class Actions: A Discussion with Chris Seeger and Elizabeth Burch, Web Conference, October 2020

MDL Management

Moderator, Mass-Tort MDL Case Law and Practices Review Conference, George Washington Law School, Online, June 2021
Presenter, Annual Meeting of Academy of Court-Appointed Masters, Web Conference, October 2020

Are MDL Judges Too Powerful?

Presenter, National Lawyers Convention, The Federalist Society, Web Conference, October 2020

Mass Tort Deals: Backroom Bargaining in Multidistrict Litigation

Presenter, Atlanta Bar Association Thought Leader Series, Online, April 2021 (with Fmr. Georgia Gov. Roy Barnes)
Presenter, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Georgia, Amelia Island, FL, February 2020
Panelist, If Multidistrict Litigation is the New Normal, Do Lawyers Need New Rules, Cardozo Law School, New York, February 2020
Panelist, ABA 2020 Environmental & Energy, Mass Torts, and Products Liability Litigation Committees' Joint Regional CLE Program, Snowmass, Colorado, January 2020
Podcast/Teleforum, The Federalist Society, with Douglas Smith, January 2020
Podcast, Non-compliant Podcast, with Jay Edelson, January 2020
Panelist, Book Talk, Georgia School of Law, November 2019
Panelist, Modern Aggregate Litigation, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Boca Raton, Florida August 2019
Podcast, This Week in Health Law, with Nicholas Terry, June 2019
Podcast, Good Law Bad Law, with Aaron Friewald, June 2019
Presentation, University of Georgia School of Law Board of Visitors Meeting, March 2019
Presentation, 1L Speaker Series at University of Georgia School of Law, October 2018
Panelist, Documenting and Seeking Solutions to Mass-Tort MDL Problems, Duke Law School, April 2018
Panelist, Review of Litigation Symposium, Texas Law School, April 2018
Faculty Brownbag Workshop, University of Georgia School of Law, April 2018
Honors Program Lunchbox Lectures, University of Georgia, April 2018
Faculty Presentation, Houston Law School, March 2018
Panelist, 18th Annual Georgia Symposium on Legal Ethics and Professionalism, February 2018
Faculty Presentation, University of Texas School of Law, February 2018
Faculty Presentation, University of Connecticut School of Law, November 2017

Panelist, What's Wrong with MDLs?, 2017 Transferee Judges Conference, October 2017
Presenter, Emory School of Law/University of Georgia School of Law Workshop, July 2017
Panelist, Multidistrict Litigation Roundtable, George Washington University Law School, April 2017
Faculty Presentation, UC Hastings College of the Law, April 2017
Faculty Presentation, Elon University School of Law, April 2017

Judicial Adjuncts in Multidistrict Litigation

Panelist, Fifth Annual Civil Procedure Workshop, Texas Law School, November 2019

Handling Class Actions – The Roles of Trial Judges, Lead Plaintiffs, Defendants, and Objectors

Panelist, Georgia Bar's ICLE Series on Handling Big Cases, Atlanta, Georgia, March 2019

What Evidence Resonates at Class Certification?

Moderator and Panelist, American Bar Association's 23rd Annual National Institute on Class Actions, Nashville, Tennessee, October 2019

Civil Procedure Workshop

Senior Commentator, Fourth Annual Workshop, Stanford Law School, November 2018

The Nuts & Bolts of Getting Published

Presenter, HLS Law Teaching Colloquium series, Harvard Law School, November 2017

Repeat Players in Multidistrict Litigation: The Social Network

Faculty Presentation, Drexel University School of Law, March 2017

Presenter, Aggregate Litigation in the 21st Century: Potential and Perils, Eastern District of Pennsylvania Federal Judicial Retreat, November 2016

Presenter, Emory School of Law/University of Georgia School of Law Workshop, July 2016

New Voices in Civil Justice

Senior Commentator, 2017 New Voices in Civil Justice Workshop, Vanderbilt Law School, May 2017

Fifty Years of Class Actions – A Global Perspective

Presenter, Tel Aviv University, January 2017

The Future of Aggregate Litigation

Introduction and Organizer, Young Scholars Medal Conference, American Law Institute, April 2016

Presenter, Young Scholars' Medal Address, American Law Institute Annual Meeting, May 2015

Federal Rules of Civil Procedure Advisory Committee Discussions

Moderator, Second Annual Civil Procedure Workshop, Washington Law School, July 2016

Panelist, Class Action Reforms – Discussion with the Advisory Committee on Civil Rules, AALS Annual Meeting, Section on Civil Procedure, January 2016

Monopolies in Multidistrict Litigation

Presentation, Mangano Dispute Resolution Award Acceptance, St. John's Law School, March 2019

Faculty Presentation, Notre Dame Law School, February 2016

Presenter, Emory School of Law/University of Georgia School of Law Workshop, July 2015

Financing Issue Classes: Benefits and Barriers to Third-Party Funding

Presenter, Litigation Funding Conference, NYU School of Law, November 2015

Constructing Issue Classes

Faculty Presentation, Vanderbilt Law School, September 2015

Presenter, The Future of Class Action Litigation: A View from the Consumer Class, NYU School of

Law, November 2014
Faculty Presentation, University of Georgia School of Law, November 2014
Panelist, 18th Annual National Institute on Class Actions, American Bar Association, October 2014

Incentive Payments to Class Representatives

Presenter, Ethical Issues in Class Actions and Non-Class Aggregate Litigation, American Law Institute, May 2015

Judging Multidistrict Litigation

Presenter, Multidistrict Litigation Judicial Conference Committee, Duke Law School, October 2015
Panelist, Selecting Leadership in Multidistrict Litigation, Mass Torts Made Perfect, October 2015
Presenter, University of Georgia School of Law Faculty Workshop, March 2014
Presenter, Emory School of Law/University of Georgia School of Law Workshop, July 2013

Calibrating Participation: Reflections on Procedure versus Procedural Justice

Presenter, The Supreme Court, Business and Civil Justice, 2015 Clifford Symposium on Tort Law and Social Policy, DePaul University College of Law, April 2015

Remanding Multidistrict Litigation

Presenter, The Rest of the Story: Resolving the Cases Remanded by the MDL, Louisiana State University Law School, March 2014

Government as Plaintiff

Presenter, The Public Life of Private Law: The Logic and Experience of Mass Litigation, Vanderbilt University School of Law, September 2013

Adequately Representing Groups

Presenter, Lawyering for Groups: Civil Rights, Mass Torts, and Everything In Between, Fordham University School of Law, November 2012

Financiers as Monitors in Aggregate Litigation

Presenter, 2012 New Voices in Civil Justice Workshop, Vanderbilt University Law School, May 2012
Presenter, Pacific McGeorge School of Law Faculty Colloquium, November 2011

Disaggregating

Presenter, Civil Justice Symposium 2014: Recent Developments in Tort Law and Practice, Buffalo Law School, October 2014
Presenter, The Future of Class Actions, Institute for Law and Economic Policy Symposium, April 2012

BP Oil Spill: One Year Later

Panelist, Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), July 2011

Optimal Lead Plaintiffs

Presenter, 2011 Corporate Law Symposium, The Principles and Politics of Aggregate Litigation: CAFA, PSLRA, and Beyond, University of Cincinnati College of Law, April 2011
Panelist, Fourth International Congress on Psychology and Law (joint program of the American Psychology-Law Society, European Association of Psychology and Law, and the Australian and New Zealand Association of Psychiatry, Psychology and Law), March 2011
Presenter, University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law, February 2011

Dukes v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.: Employment Discrimination and Class Certification

Panelist, American Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, "Hot Topics," January 2011

Roundtable Chair, Law and Society Annual Meeting, May 2010

Law Professors and the Work-Life Balance

Panelist, American Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Section for New Law Professors, January 2011

Proposed Changes to the Federal Rules of Evidence

Panelist, Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), West Palm Beach, Florida, July 2010

Group Consensus, Individual Consent

Panelist, Aggregate Litigation: Critical Perspectives, George Washington Law School, March 2010

Rethinking Securities Regulation

Discussant, Vanderbilt University Law School, March 2010

Aggregation, Community, and the Line Between

Panelist, The Future of Aggregate Litigation 10-Years Post-*Ortiz v. Fibreboard Corp.*, Kansas University School of Law, October 2009

Litigating Together: Social, Moral, and Legal Obligations

Presenter, University of Georgia School of Law, February 2011

Presenter, University of Alabama School of Law, October 2010

Panelist, "Individual Rights, Collective Identities, Regional Policies, Global Society: The Problems and Promises of Community," Law and Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, May 2010

Poster Presentation, AALS Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 2010

Presenter, University of Florida College of Law Faculty Workshop, September 2009

Presenter, New Scholar's Panel, Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), August 2009

Presenter, Florida State University College of Law Faculty Workshop, June 2009

Litigating Class Actions Between Class Certification and Trial

Panelist, Strafford Continuing Legal Education Teleconference, August 2009

It Ain't Over Till it's Over: Litigating Class Actions After Certification and Before Trial

Panelist, American Bar Association Center for CLE Webcast/Teleconference, May 2009

Litigating Groups

Panelist, "What is Access to Justice?," Law and Society Annual Meeting, May 2009

On Law and Society from a Literary Perspective

Panelist, Law and Society Annual Meeting, May 2009

Mass Settlements via Contracts with Plaintiffs' Law Firms

Discussant, Roundtable at Vanderbilt University Law School, January 2009 (*Procedural Justice in Nonclass Aggregation* distributed as background material)

Civil Justice Reconsidered

Discussant, Conference on Stephen P. Croley's book, *Civil Justice Reconsidered*, Albany Law School, November 2008

Procedural Justice in Nonclass Aggregation

Panelist, "Frontier Issues in Civil Procedure," Southeastern Assoc. of Law Schools (SEALS), July 2008

Presenter, Florida State University College of Law Faculty Workshop, June 2008

Presenter, Cumberland School of Law Faculty Colloquium, April 2008

Communicating with Class Members

Panelist, American Bar Association Center for CLE Webcast/Teleconference, May 2008

Securities Class Actions as Pragmatic Ex Post Regulation

Presenter, Florida State University College of Law Faculty Workshop, February 2008

Presenter, John Marshall Law School Faculty Workshop, January 2008

Presenter, University of Tennessee School of Law Faculty Workshop, November 2007

Presenter, Cumberland School of Law Faculty Colloquium, September 2007

CAFA's Impact on Litigation as a Public Good

Poster presentation, American Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, January 2008

Reassessing Damages in Securities Fraud Class Actions

Presenter, Cumberland School of Law Faculty Colloquium, February 2007

EDUCATION

University of Georgia, Grady College of Journalism

Athens, Georgia

MFA in Narrative Nonfiction, August 2023

Florida State University College of Law

Tallahassee, Florida

Juris Doctor, 2004, *cum laude*

Florida State University Law Review, Writing & Research Editor; Associate Editor

Awards: Piece Editor of the Year; Meritorious Service Award

Journal of Transnational Law & Policy

Journal of Land Use & Environmental Law (2002-2003)

Moot Court, Editorial Chair

Vanderbilt University

Nashville, Tennessee

Bachelor of Arts, English, 2000, *cum laude*

Minor, Political Science

SERVICE

Law School and University Committees:

University of Georgia School of Law

Chair, Appointments Committee, 2025

Member, Appointments Committee, 2013-2015, 2018-2024

Chair, Evaluation and Standards Committee, 2015, 2020

Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2012-2013, 2021-2023

Member, Speaker's Committee, 2016-2018

Member, Chaffin Chair Committee, 2016

Chair, Tenure Revocation Investigatory Committee, 2015 (University)

Member, Reexamining Post-Tenure Review Committee, 2015 (University)

Member, Dean Search Committee, 2014, 2024

Member, Committee to Evaluate New Graduate Programs, 2012-2013

Member, Law Library Committee, 2011-2013

Florida State University College of Law

Member, Appointments Committee, 2009, 2011 (calendar year)

Member, University's General Policy Committee, 2010
Coach, Moot Court Team, 2010-2011
Member, Faculty Enrichment Speaker's Committee, 2009-2010
Advisor, American Constitution Society, 2009-2010
Member, Student Placement Committee, 2008-2009
Member, New Building Committee, 2008-2009

Cumberland School of Law, Samford University

Member, Carnegie Report Committee (ad hoc), 2007-2008
Member, Academic Standards Committee, 2006-2008
Member, Career Services Committee, 2006-2007
Member, Library Committee, 2007-2008
Faculty Advisor, Georgia Student Bar Association, 2006-2008
Faculty Advisor, Florida Student Bar Association, 2007-2008
Faculty Senator, Samford University Faculty Senate, 2007-2008

Service to the Profession:

- Columnist, Reuters 2021
- American Law Institute, Member 2012-present
- American Association of Law Schools Section on Scholarship, Executive Board Member 2012-2016, Co-Chair 2015-2016
- Mass Torts Subcommittee Chair, ABA's Class Action and Derivative Suits Committee, 2007-2011
- Co-Editor, Mass Tort Litigation Blog (part of the Law Professors Blog Network), 2007-present

Expert Testimony:

- Ouellette v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., No. 67-01-CA-326 (Fla. Cir. Ct.) (August 17, 2009) (class-action notice expert in support of the settlement)

Media:

- Quoted on complex litigation, mass torts, and class action issues on BBC World News and National Public Radio's *Marketplace* as well as in the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *The New Yorker*, *USA Today*, *Forbes*, *L.A. Times*, *Reuters*, *The Atlantic*, *Fortune Magazine*, *Time Magazine*, *The Economist*, *Miami Herald*, *Atlanta Journal Constitution*, *Philadelphia Inquirer*, *ABA Journal*, *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, *BNA Class Action Litigation Report*, *Florida Trend*, *Houston Chronicle*, *The Tennessean*, *Lawyers USA*, *Law360*, *Tallahassee Democrat*, *TheStreet.com*, and *Product Liability Law 360* among others

OTHER LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Holland & Knight LLP

Associate and Summer Associate

Practice Areas: class actions, securities litigation, complex litigation

Atlanta, Georgia

Aug. 2004-Apr. 2006