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Associate Dean for Strategic Initiatives,
Professor of Law,
Co-Director, Panish Civil Justice Program, and
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EDUCATION

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, Cambridge, Massachusetts

J.D., June 1996.

Senior Editor, *Harvard Journal of Law and Public Policy*

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY BEASLEY SCHOOL OF LAW, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

LL.M., May 2005.

Honorable Abraham L. Freedman Fellowship Program, law teaching
fellowship and research thesis

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

B.A., in English, with minors in History and Music, May 1993.

Honors: *summa cum laude*

Phi Beta Kappa

Dean's Scholar, awarded annually to nine undergraduate students
in the School of Arts and Sciences

Benjamin Franklin Scholar, general honors program

H.L. Jayne English Composition Prize

President and Treasurer, John Marshall Pre-Law Honor Society

ACADEMIC

EMPLOYMENT

SOUTHWESTERN LAW SCHOOL, Los Angeles, California

Associate Dean for Strategic Initiatives, 2016 to present

Associate Dean for Research, 2015 to 2016

Professor of Law, with tenure, 2009 to present

Associate Professor of Law, 2005 to 2009

Co-Director, Panish Civil Justice Program, 2025 to present

Director, Civil Litigation and Advocacy Concentration, 2020 to present

Co-Director, Summer Law Program in Vancouver, 2013 to 2014

- In collaboration with the International Centre for Criminal Law Reform and Criminal Justice Policy, Allard School of Law, University of British Columbia
- Served on program faculty, summer 2011, summer 2014

Honors:

- 2009 *Irving D. and Florence Rosenberg Professor of Law*, in recognition of outstanding teaching, professional accomplishments, and service
- Nominee, 2020 Southwestern Student Bar Association Excellence in Teaching Award, First Year Professor (three nominees selected out of

over 60 full-time faculty by Student Bar Association, based on review of nominations by students)

- Nominee, 2011 Southwestern Student Bar Association Excellence in Teaching Award, Upper Division Professor (three nominees selected out of over 50 full-time faculty by Student Bar Association, based on review of nominations by students)
- Sabbatical (Faculty Research) Leave, fall 2011

Strategic contributions and undertakings:

- Directly reporting to, and collaborating with, the President and Dean
- Creation of curricular programs, concentrations, courses, and assessment, including the following:
 - Panish Civil Justice Program
 - J.D. Concentrations in six subject areas (civil litigation & advocacy; criminal law & advocacy; critical race, gender & sexuality studies; entertainment & media law; public interest law; and technology law & entrepreneurship)
 - Performance criteria for assessment of J.D. learning outcomes
 - Development of institutional expertise and staffing for institutional research and outcomes assessment
 - First capstone course, integrating study of oral advocacy, persuasive writing, and doctrinal analysis
 - First-Year Legal Profession Elective
 - Pre-Week First-Year Academic Program, focused on legal research and analysis
- WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC) determination of eligibility for institution to proceed to review for initial accreditation
- Interdisciplinary programs, including J.D./M.B.A. program with Drucker School of Management, Claremont Graduate University
- Fundraising and donor cultivation and relations for programs; scholarly activities; multi-year full-time visiting professor position; multi-year semester-long, part-time research fellowships; student book groups; summer student fellowship; and speaker events

Courses taught: Torts; Legal Profession; Mass Tort Litigation (capstone course); Global Tort Litigation (writing seminar & summer abroad course); Civil Procedure II; Products Liability

Institutional Service:

Lead, Reporter, Chair or Co-Chair

- *Lead*, WSCUC Accreditation Working Group, Creating an Institution Committed to Quality Assurance and Improvement, 2025 to present
- *Reporter*, WSCUC Accreditation Working Group, Institutional Mission & Acting with Integrity, 2025 to present
- *Co-Chair*, WSCUC Accreditation Working Group, 2022 to 2023
- *Chair*, Tenure Candidate Subcommittee, Tenure, Promotion, and Retention Committee, 2016 to 2017, 2022 to 2023

- *Chair*, Subcommittee on Torts Curriculum, Curriculum Committee, spring 2020
- *Chair*, Outcomes Assessment/WSCUC Accreditation Steering Committee, 2016 to 2018
- *Chair*, Advisory Committee for Strategic Initiatives, 2016 to 2017
- *Chair*, Faculty Development Committee, 2015 to 2016
- *Chair*, Curriculum Committee, 2014 to 2015
- *Chair*, Subcommittee on Preparation and Engagement Policy of the Curriculum Committee 2014 to 2015
- *Co-Chair*, Ad Hoc 2L Committee, fall 2007 to spring 2008

Faculty Advisor

Southwestern Law Consumer Law Society, 2020 to present
 Southwestern Law Federalist Society, 2013 to 2018, 2022 to present
 Chapter National Finalist, Alexander Hamilton Award for Most Improved Chapter, 2023
 Chapter National Finalist, Thomas Paine Chapter Award for Creative Publicity, 2014
 Southwestern Law Tort Litigation Society, 2015 to 2017, 2018 to 2019
Southwestern Law Review, 2009 to 2016

Faculty Supervisor, Externships, 2006 to 2010

Member

- Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Titles (one of three tenured members elected by the tenure-line faculty), 2025 to present
- WSCUC Accreditation Institutional Report Core Drafting Committee, 2025 to present
- WSCUC Accreditation Institutional Report Steering Committee, 2025 to present
- Mission & Values Committee, 2025 to present
 - Role of Legal Scholarship Working Group, 2025 to present
 - Generative AI in Legal Education Working Group, 2025 to present
- Assessment Committee, 2023 to 2025
- Dean's Task Force on Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging, 2020 to 2025
 - Innovations & Audit Subcommittee, 2021 to 2023
 - Curriculum Subcommittee, 2020 to 2021
- Tenure Committee: Tenure, Promotion, and Retention, 2014 to 2025
- Faculty Development Committee, 2015 to 2016, 2018 to 2019, 2023 to 2024
- Status and Equity Task Force, 2022 to 2024
- Strategic Planning Task Force, 2022 to 2023
- Curriculum Committee, 2005 to 2015, 2017 to 2020, 2021 to 2023
- WASC Accreditation Working Group, 2022 to 2023
- Diversity and Inclusion Committee, 2018 to 2022
- Faculty Recruitment Committee: Appointments, 2019 to 2022

- Committee for Lateral Appointments with Tenure, 2020 to 2021
- Outcomes Assessment/WASC Accreditation Steering Committee, 2016 to 2018
- LAWS (Legal Analysis Writing & Skills) Committee, 2017 to 2018
- Advisory Committee for Strategic Initiatives, 2016 to 2017
- Ad Hoc Committee on Curricular Efficiency, 2016 to 2017
- Sabbatical (Faculty Research) Leave Committee, 2012 to 2014, 2015 to 2016
- Placement Committee, 2005 to 2006, 2014 to 2015
- SCALE (2-year J.D. Program) Committee, 2006 to 2007, 2008 to 2014
- Ad Hoc J.D./M.B.A. Drucker Advisory Group, 2009 to 2012
- Externships Committee, 2006 to 2010
- Ad Hoc 2L Committee, 2007 to 2008
- Ad Hoc Committee on Grading, 2005

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY BEASLEY SCHOOL OF LAW, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Lecturer in Law and Abraham L. Freedman Teaching Fellow, 2003 to 2005
 Courses taught: Civil Procedure II; Legal Research and Writing.
 Teaching-collaboration courses: Torts; Ethical Perspectives on the Practice of Law; Mass Tort Litigation

SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, Boston, Massachusetts
Guest Lecturer, Professional Responsibility course, 2001 to 2004

LITIGATION EXPERIENCE

SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM LLP, New York, New York
Associate, Complex Mass Torts and Insurance Group, 2001 to 2003

- Responsible for assembling nationwide scientific evidence and the development and depositions of scientific expert witnesses in connection with the defense of a consumer product company
- Opposed certification of a proposed nationwide medical-device class action
- Drafted appellate amicus brief for manufacturing industry group regarding tort actions brought by intoxicated drivers

JONES, DAY, New York, New York

Associate, Litigation Group, summer 1995, 1996 to 2001

- Lectured on class action law for members of the office Litigation Group and on legal research for first year associates
- Served on lead counsel team for the tobacco industry in numerous cases of national import, including:
 - The first tobacco class action trial, which involved a nationwide class of flight attendants claiming injuries for secondhand smoke exposure
 - A nationwide punitive damages class action for all smoking-

related claims

- A nationwide class action of smokers with lung cancer
- Class actions of Atlantic City and Las Vegas casino workers seeking medical monitoring as a result of secondhand smoke exposure
- Various statewide smoker class actions
- Represented clients in state and federal courts in products liability (tobacco, medical implants, industrial machinery, and automobile tires) and commercial litigation
- Interviewer and hiring committee participant for firm recruiting from Harvard Law School

PASSAIC COUNTY LEGAL AID SOCIETY, Paterson, New Jersey
Law Clerk, New Jersey Public Interest Program, Summer 1994

- Interviewed clients, prepared affidavits, and conducted factual and legal research for consumer litigation
- Attended statewide presentations on public-interest law

BAR MEMBER State: New York
 Federal: United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern
 Districts of New York

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE **AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION**, Chicago, Illinois
 Section of International Law
 *Liaison of the ABA Section of International Law to the ABA Section of
 Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar*, 2017 to 2021
 Vice Chair, International Ethics Committee, 2016 to 2018, 2019 to 2023

AMERICAN BAR FOUNDATION, Chicago, Illinois
Fellow, 2021 to present
 Based on nomination, review, and election by the Fellows and Board of the
 American Bar Foundation for outstanding dedication to the highest principles
 of the legal profession and to the welfare of one's community

ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS, Washington, D.C.
 Section on Litigation
 Chair, 2020 to 2021
 Chair-Elect, 2019 to 2020
 Secretary, 2018 to 2019
 Treasurer, 2017 to 2018
 Executive Committee Member, 2017 to 2025
 Faculty Recruitment Services for Entry-Level Candidates
 Member, Planning Committee for Faculty Appointments Committee
 Webinar, summer 2021

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, Cambridge, Massachusetts
Alumni Mentor, HLS Amicus, 2022, 2024

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL ASSOCIATION, Cambridge, Massachusetts
 Harvard Law School Association Council
Member, 2019 to 2023
 Harvard Law School Association of Los Angeles
Co-President, 2021 to 2023
Vice President for Special Projects, 2023 to 2024
Vice President, 2017 to 2020
Diversity and Inclusion Committee Member, 2015 to 2016
Speaker Co-Chair, 2014 to 2016
Board Member, 2014 to 2024
 Supporting, engaging, and connecting more than 2,000 Harvard Law School alumni in the Los Angeles area

PUBLICATIONS *Judicial Review of Individual Punitive Damages Awards in Light of Aggregate Punitive Damages*, TENN. L. REV. (forthcoming 2025).

Applying Steve Jobs's Insights on Innovation, Leadership, and Technology Toward an Apple-Inspired Law School, 38 NOTRE DAME J.L. ETHICS & PUB. POL'Y 217 (2024).

- Ranked as one of the most downloaded papers since the inception of SSRN in the Leadership Development eJournal (top 35); Other Economics Research eJournal (top 50); Change Management & Organizational Behavior eJournal (top 55); Educational Impact and Evaluation Research eJournal (top 65); Innovation Practice eJournal (top 65); Educational & School Psychology eJournal (top 80); Innovation in Legal Education eJournal (top 90)
- Ranked as one of the most downloaded papers since the inception of SSRN in topics on other entrepreneurship and law (top 10); other entrepreneurship, innovation, and growth (top 10); other leadership development (top 10); other change management and organizational behavior (top 15); and other educational and school psychology (top 30)

Concluding the Restatement (Third) of Torts: An Introduction, 52 SW. L. REV. 351 (2024) (with Christopher Robinette) (symposium issue).

New Frontiers in Tort Law and the Challenges of Science, Technology & Innovation: An Introduction, 49 SW. L. REV. 349 (2021) (symposium issue).

Dedication, 49 SW. L. REV. 348 (2021) (symposium issue).

Decanal Leadership in Law Schools and the Abraham L. Freedman Fellowship, 92 TEMP. L. REV. 721 (2020) (symposium issue).

Collective Litigation in Cultural Context: A Comparative Analysis, in CLASS ACTIONS IN CONTEXT: HOW CULTURE, ECONOMICS AND POLITICS SHAPE COLLECTIVE LITIGATION (with Ianika Tzankova) (Deborah Hensler, Christopher Hodges & Ianika Tzankova eds., Edward Elgar Publishing 2016).

The Promise and Peril of Media and Culture: The Gulf Coast Claims Facility and the Toyota Unintended Acceleration Litigation in the United States, in CLASS ACTIONS IN CONTEXT: HOW ECONOMICS, POLITICS AND CULTURE SHAPE COLLECTIVE LITIGATION (Deborah Hensler, Christopher Hodges & Ianika Tzankova eds., Edward Elgar Publishing 2016).

Film and Mass Tort Litigation in the United States: A Civil Action and Erin Brockovich, in LAW AND POPULAR CULTURE: INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVES (Michael Asimow, Kathryn Brown & David Papke eds., Cambridge Scholars Publishing 2014).

The Sale and Settlement of Mass Tort Claims: Alternative Litigation Finance and a Possible Future of Mass Tort Resolution, 23 WIDENER L.J. 193 (2013) (symposium issue).

The Gulf Coast Claims Facility as Quasi-Public Fund: Transparency and Independence in Claim Administrator Compensation, 30 MISS. C. L. REV. 255 (2011) (symposium issue).

Cited in, *inter alia*, ANN. MODEL RULES OF PROF'L CONDUCT r. 2.4 (AM. BAR ASS'N 2015).

Promotion of Off-Label Drug Use: In Favor of a Regulatory Retreat, 19 ALB. L.J. SCI. & TECH. 609 (2009) (symposium issue).

Another Jackpot (In)Justice: Verdict Variability and Issue Preclusion in Mass Torts, 36 PEPP. L. REV. 715 (2009).

Cited in, *inter alia*, *In re E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. C-8 Pers. Inj. Litig.*, 54 F.4th 912, 939 (6th Cir. 2022) (Batchelder, J., concurring in part and dissenting in part); *City of St. Louis v. American Tobacco Co.*, slip op. at 13, n.9, 2010 WL 2917188, No. 22982-09652-01 (Mo. Cir. Ct. June 2, 2010) (denying issue preclusion from prior federal tobacco case brought by U.S. Department of Justice).

Perspectives on Asbestos Litigation: Overview and Preview, 37 SW. U. L. REV. 459 (2008) (with Alan Calnan) (symposium issue).

Cited in, *inter alia*, *Rost v. Ford Motor Co.*, 151 A.3d 1032, 1062 n.12 (Pa. 2016) (Saylor, Chief Justice, dissenting); *O'Neil v. Crane Co.*, 266 P.3d 987, 999 n.9 (Cal. 2012) (rejecting asbestos liability for manufacturers whose products were subsequently used in conjunction with defective products or replacement parts from other manufacturers).

Crimtorts, Class Actions, and the Emerging Mass Tort Method, 17 WIDENER L.J. 893 (2008) (symposium issue).

Now It's Personal: Punishment and Mass Tort Litigation After Philip Morris USA v. Williams, 2 CHARLESTON L. REV. 433 (2008) (symposium issue).

Cited in, *inter alia*, *Murphy v. Islamic Republic of Iran*, 740 F. Supp. 2d 51, 81 (D.D.C. 2010) (awarding punitive damages against Iran in connection with 1983 Beirut bombing of U.S. Marines); PRINCIPLES OF THE LAW OF AGGREGATE LITIGATION § 2.07 reporters' notes cmt. i (2010); ANNOTATED MANUAL FOR COMPLEX LITIGATION (FOURTH), INTRODUCTION, annotated law review and other commentary (2022).

Jackpot Justice: Verdict Variability and the Mass Tort Class Action, 80 TEMP. L. REV. 1013 (2007).

Phenylpropanolamine and Hemorrhagic Stroke in the Hemorrhagic Stroke Project: A Reappraisal in the Context of Science, the Food and Drug Administration, and the Law, 16 ANNALS EPIDEMIOLOGY 49 (with Charles Hennekens) (2006).

Resolving the Class Action Crisis: Mass Tort Litigation as Network, 2005 UTAH L. REV. 863.

Cited in, *inter alia*, PRINCIPLES OF THE LAW OF AGGREGATE LITIGATION §1.02 reporters' notes cmt. b(3) (2010).

Founding Editor, Mass Tort Litigation Blog,
http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/mass_tort_litigation/ (August 2006 to September 2025) (received more than 945,000 page views from courts, law firms, universities, and the public)
<https://www.masstortlitigationblog.com> (October 2025 to present) (LexBlog Network)

- Co-Editors: Elizabeth Chamblee Burch, Fuller E. Callaway Chair of Law, University of Georgia School of Law; Sergio Campos, Professor of Law, Boston College Law School; Howard Erichson, Maria Marcus Distinguished Research Scholar and Professor of Law, Fordham University School of Law; and Alexandra Lahav, Anthony W. and Lulu C. Wang Professor of Law, Cornell Law School
- Member of the Law Professor Blogs Network
- Selected for imaging and archive by the Library of Congress

Lawyers Are Much More Useful Than They Seem, NAT'L L. J., Oct. 26, 1998, at A25 (with Steven C. Bennett).

PEER REVIEW

Peer Reviewer for Publications: *Yale Law Journal* (spring 2025 & spring 2016); *Stanford Law Review* (spring 2010); Oxford University Press (spring

2013 & spring 2011); *Washington International Law Journal* (spring 2020)
Peer Reviewer for Scholarly Award: University of Windsor, Windsor,
Canada, fall 2014

Peer Reviewer for Tenure and Promotion: University of Memphis School of
Law, fall 2010 & fall 2011

PRESENTATIONS *Presenter*, Viewpoint Diversity and Law School Faculty Hiring, 2025
Heterodox Academy Annual Conference, New York, New York, June 23-25,
2025.

Symposium Co-Chair, Symposium on Concluding the Restatement (Third) of
Torts, Southwestern Law Review, Southwestern Law School, Los
Angeles, California, March 24, 2023 (co-sponsored by the American Law
Institute).

Moderator, Panel on Medical Monitoring and Mass Torts, Symposium on
Concluding the Restatement (Third) of Torts, Southwestern Law Review,
Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, March 24, 2023 (co-
sponsored by the American Law Institute).

Panelist, Doing Law & Society Research Across Borders, Global Meeting on
Law and Society, Law and Society Association, ISCTE University
Institute of Lisbon, Lisbon, Portugal, July 13-16, 2022.

Panelist, Navigating Hiring Practices in a Year of Transition, Association of
American Law Schools, Online Webinar, August 5, 2021.

Moderator, Panel on An Insider's Perspective: Life as a Trial Lawyer,
Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, May 24, 2021.

Moderator, Panel on The Growth of Third-Party Litigation Finance:
Opportunities and Challenges, AALS Section on Litigation, Association of
American Law Schools Annual Meeting, January 5, 2021 (co-sponsored by
AALS Section on Professional Responsibility).

Moderator, Capstone Session – Surveying the New Frontiers of Tort Law:
Quick Takes, Questions, and Answers, Symposium on New Frontiers in Tort
Law: The Challenges of Science, Technology, and Innovation, Southwestern
Law Review, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, February 7,
2020.

Moderator, Panel on Litigation Finance, Symposium on New Frontiers in Tort
Law: The Challenges of Science, Technology, and Innovation, Southwestern
Law Review, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, February 7,
2020.

Symposium Co-Chair, Symposium on New Frontiers in Tort Law: The Challenges of Science, Technology, and Innovation, Southwestern Law Review, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, February 7, 2020.

Presenter, Decanal Leadership in Law Schools and the Abraham L. Freedman Fellowship, Symposium on Disrupting Hierarchies in Legal Education: Commemorating the Impact of the Freedman Fellow Program, Temple Law Review, Temple University Beasley School of Law, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, October 25, 2019.

Presenter, Lessons Learned: Mediation of Mass Claims in Natural and Man-Made Disasters, American Bar Association Section of International Law Fall 2016 Meeting, Tokyo, Japan, October 20, 2016.

Panelist, Panel on Lawyer Liability, Limitations and Insurance: The Next Storm?, American Bar Association Section of International Law Spring 2016 Meeting, New York, New York, April 14, 2016.

Panelist, Panel on Litigation Funding, Harvard Law School Association of Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, November 19, 2015.

Panelist, Developing as a Scholar, Southern California Junior Faculty Workshop, Chapman University School of Law, Orange, California, October 24, 2015.

Moderator, Paths to the Top in Tort Litigation: Advice from Recent Southwestern Alumni at Leading Firms, Southwestern Law Tort Litigation Society, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, October 21, 2015.

Presenter, Comparing the BP Gulf Coast Claims Facility and Class Settlement After the BP Gulf Oil Spill: Claims Funds or Class Actions in Mass Claims Processing, Symposium on BP Gulf Oil Spill, Stanford Journal of Complex Litigation, Stanford Law School, Stanford, California, May 9, 2014.

Moderator, Debating First Principles: The Proper Role of Government, Southwestern Law Federalist Society, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, March 26, 2014.

Moderator, Public Interest Panel: Public Interest from a Different Perspective, Southwestern Law Federalist Society, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, March 19, 2014.

Presenter, Mass EnTORTainment: Cultural Storytellers and Mass Tort Litigation in the United States, Law and Popular Culture: International Perspectives, International Conference, Department of Culture Studies, Tilburg University, Tilburg, The Netherlands, June 6-7, 2013.

Presenter, Mass Settlement Ethics, Symposium on Perspectives on Mass Tort Litigation, Widener Law Journal, Widener University School of Law, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, April 16, 2013 (videoconference presentation).

Presenter, An Alternative to Class Actions for Small Value Claims: Addressing Small Value Claims Through Individual Litigation, Loser Pays, and Offer of Settlement, Association of Private Enterprise Education Annual Conference, Maui, Hawaii, April 16, 2013.

Moderator, Perspectives on the Ideas of Ayn Rand, Southwestern Law Federalist Society, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, April 4, 2013.

Presenter, The Promise and Peril of Media and Culture in Global Mass Litigation, University of Windsor Faculty of Law, Windsor, Canada, February 8, 2013 (faculty research presentation, and guest lecture for course on Law and Catastrophe).

Presenter, Mass Media and Disparate Culture as Enablers and Obstacles in the Toyota and British Petroleum Litigation in the United States, 2012 International Conference on Law and Society, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 7, 2012.

Presenter, Tort Reform and Individual Justice, Association of Private Enterprise Education Annual Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, April 2, 2012.

Presenter, Case Studies on the Gulf Coast Claim Facility and the Toyota Unintended Acceleration Litigation in the United States: An Interim Report, Fifth Annual Conference on the Globalization of Class Actions and Mass Litigation, The Hague, The Netherlands, December 9, 2011.

Presenter, The Gulf Coast Claims Facility as Quasi-Public Fund: Transparency and Independence in Claim Administrator Compensation, Symposium on BP Gulf Oil Spill, Mississippi College Law Review, Mississippi College School of Law, Jackson, Mississippi, February 18, 2011.

Presenter, Ethics in Mass Settlements, Conference on Chemical Products Liability and Environmental Litigation, American Conference Institute, Chicago, Illinois, April 28, 2010.

Presenter, Mass Torts and Bankruptcy, HB Litigation Conferences, National Teleconference, April 7, 2010.

Presenter, Examining Litigant Autonomy in Mass Torts: Insights from the Individualism of Ayn Rand, Panel on Pluralism in Tort Litigation, Annual Meeting, Association for the Study of Law, Culture & the Humanities, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, March 20, 2010.

Presenter, Promotion of Off-Label Use: In Favor of a Regulatory Retreat, Symposium on Regulating the Cure: Topics Arising out of the Prescription of Drugs Off-Label, Albany Law Journal of Science and Technology, Albany Law School, Albany, New York, March 27, 2009.

Presenter, Crimtorts, Class Actions, and the Emerging Mass Tort Method, Symposium on Crimtorts, Widener Law Journal, Widener University School of Law, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, February 25, 2008.

Moderator, Panel on Public and Private Law Perspectives, Symposium on Perspectives on Asbestos Litigation, Southwestern Law Review, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, January 18, 2008.

Presenter, Background on the Asbestos Crisis, Symposium on Perspectives on Asbestos Litigation, Southwestern Law Review, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, January 18, 2008.

Symposium Co-Chair, Symposium on Perspectives on Asbestos Litigation, Southwestern Law Review, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, January 18, 2008.

Panelist, Vexing Situations: Ethics and International Practice, White & Case LLP, Los Angeles, California, November 13, 2007.

Panelist, Vexing Situations: Ethics and International Practice, State Bar of California, 80th Annual Meeting, Anaheim, California, September 29, 2007.

Moderator, Panel on The Relationship Between Punitive Damages and Class Actions, Symposium on Punitive Damages, Due Process, and Deterrence, The Debate After *Philip Morris v. Williams*, Charleston Law Review, Charleston Law School, Charleston, South Carolina, September 7, 2007.

Presenter, Advisability of Class Actions for Antitrust, Consumer Fraud, and Mass Torts, Presentation to Korean Fair Trade Commission and Korean Presidential Commission for Judicial Reform, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, November 9, 2005.

INSTITUTIONAL Accreditation Resource Conference, WASC Senior College and University
REPRESENTATIVE Commission, Garden Grove, California, April 2-4, 2025.

Accreditation Resource Conference, WASC Senior College and University
Commission, San Diego, California, April 18-20, 2024.

Accreditation Resource Conference, WASC Senior College and University
Commission, Garden Grove, California, April 19-21, 2023.

Accreditation Resource Conference, WASC Senior College and University
Commission, San Francisco, California, April 20-22, 2022.

AALS House of Representatives, 2022 Annual Meeting, Association of
American Law Schools, January 5-9, 2022 (alternate representative)
Provocative Questions, Courageous Answers, Annual Academic Resource
Conference, WASC Senior College and University Commission, Garden
Grove, California, April 10-12, 2019.

Future Perfect, Annual Academic Resource Conference, WASC Senior
College and University Commission, Burlingame, California, April 25-27,
2018.

Educating Tomorrow's Lawyers...to Serve Tomorrow's Clients, Sixth Annual
Educating Tomorrow's Lawyers Conference, Institute for the Advancement of
the American Legal System, Denver, Colorado, October 5-7, 2017.

Mission Possible: Honoring the Past, Ensuring the Future, Annual Academic
Resource Conference, WASC Senior College and University Commission,
San Diego, California, April 19-21, 2017.

Educating Tomorrow's Lawyers: Learning Outcomes for Hire, Fifth Annual
Educating Tomorrow's Lawyers Conference, Institute for the Advancement of
the American Legal System, Denver, Colorado, September 22-24, 2016.

MEDIA

Quoted in the *Wall Street Journal*, *Los Angeles Times*, *San Jose Mercury
News*, *Houston Chronicle*, *Philadelphia Inquirer*, *Reuters*, *Forbes*, *National
Law Journal*, *Los Angeles Daily News*, *Las Vegas Review-Journal*, *Legal
Intelligencer*, *Inside Higher Ed*, and *Law 360*, and contacted for back story on
mass torts by the *New York Times*, Associated Press, *BNA*, and *ABA Journal*

Quoted by *All Things Considered* on National Public Radio

Appeared in the special features section on class actions for the DVD of the
first season of the FX television series, *Damages*

PERSONAL

Avid guitarist and music fan, and occasional singer

- Performed frequently throughout college in rock and folk-rock bands at campus gatherings and at bars and restaurants in Philadelphia, and released compact disc album
- Co-founded weekly open-microphone music performance events while a student at Harvard Law School in connection with HLS Dormitory and Student Affairs Council
- Performed in faculty bands for faculty gatherings or charitable fundraising events with faculty and students at Southwestern Law School

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