BYRON G. STIER

Professor of Law,
Co-Director, Panish Civil Justice Program, and
Director, Civil Litigation and Advocacy Concentration
Southwestern Law School
Los Angeles, California
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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

VISITING SCHOLAR

STANFORD LAW SCHOOL, Stanford, California
Visiting Scholar, March to June 2026 (spring quarter)
Conducted research on innovation, leadership, technology, and legal education, utilizing the Apple Inc. Collections in the Silicon Valley Archives at the Stanford University Libraries

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

SOUTHWESTERN LAW SCHOOL, Los Angeles, California
Professor of Law, with tenure, 2009 to present
Co-Director, Panish Civil Justice Program, 2025 to present
Director, Civil Litigation and Advocacy Concentration, 2020 to present
Associate Dean for Strategic Initiatives, 2016 to 2026
Associate Dean for Research, 2015 to 2016
Associate Professor of Law, 2005 to 2009
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, spring 2026

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:

Strategic contributions and undertakings:

- Led institutional preparation and report drafting for accreditation by WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC), resulting in WSCUC grant of initial accreditation
- Led conceptualization, launch, programming, budgeting, and donor relations for Panish Civil Justice Program
- Led creation of six J.D. Concentrations (civil litigation and advocacy; criminal law and advocacy; critical race, gender, and sexuality studies; entertainment and media law; public interest law; and technology law and entrepreneurship)
- Designed first accelerated, three-year J.D./M.B.A. program on the West Coast, in collaboration with Drucker School of Management, Claremont Graduate University; and led promotion of traditional and accelerated J.D./M.B.A. programs
- Secured philanthropic support from individual and foundation donors to establish and sustain multi-year full-time visiting professorship, research and student summer fellowships, and speaker events
- Created first capstone course (integrating oral advocacy, persuasive writing, and doctrinal analysis)
- Integrated legal ethics into first-year curriculum through Legal Profession elective course
- Collaborated in designing pre-week first-year academic program focused on legal research and analysis and pre-semester welcome-back program for upper-division students

Lead, Reporter, Chair or Co-Chair

- *Lead*, WSCUC Accreditation Working Group, Standard on Creating an Institution Committed to Quality Assurance and

Improvement, 2025 to 2026
- *Reporter*, WSCUC Accreditation Working Group, Standard on Institutional Mission & Acting with Integrity, 2025 to 2026
- *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
- *Faculty Advisor*, Southwestern Law Consumer Law Society, 2020 to present
- *Faculty Advisor*, Southwestern Law Federalist Society, 2013 to 2018, 2022 to 2026 (Chapter National Finalist, Alexander Hamilton Award for Most Improved Chapter, 2023; Chapter National Finalist, Thomas Paine Chapter Award for Creative Publicity, 2014)
- *Faculty Advisor*, Southwestern Law Tort Litigation Society, 2015 to 2017, 2018 to 2019
- *Faculty Advisor*, *Southwestern Law Review*, 2009 to 2016

Faculty Supervisor, Externships, 2006 to 2010

Committee or Task Force Member
- Accreditation: *Member*, WSCUC Accreditation Institutional Report Core Drafting Committee, 2025 to 2026; WSCUC Accreditation Institutional Report Steering Committee, 2025 to 2026; WASC Accreditation Working Group, 2022 to 2023; Outcomes Assessment/WASC Accreditation Steering Committee, 2016 to 2018
- Career Services: *Member,* Placement Committee, 2005 to 2006, 2014 to 2015
- Curriculum: *Member,* Ad Hoc Future Bar Exam Committee, 2026 to present; Curriculum Committee, 2005 to 2015, 2017 to 2020, 2021 to 2023; LAWS (Legal Analysis Writing & Skills) Committee, 2017 to 2018; Ad Hoc Committee on Curricular Efficiency, 2016 to 2017; 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

- Faculty Development: *Member,* Sabbatical (Faculty Research) Leave Committee, 2012 to 2014, 2015 to 2016, 2026 to present; Faculty Development Committee, 2015 to 2016, 2018 to 2019, 2023 to 2024
- Faculty Recruitment: *Member,* Faculty Recruitment Committee: Appointments, 2019 to 2022; Committee for Lateral Appointments with Tenure, 2020 to 2021
- Faculty Status and Promotion: *Member*, Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Titles (one of three tenured members elected by the tenure-line faculty), 2025 to 2026; Tenure Committee: Tenure, Promotion, and Retention, 2014 to 2025; Status and Equity Task Force, 2022 to 2024
- Inclusion and Belonging: *Member*, Dean's Task Force on Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging, 2020 to 2025 (Innovations & Audit Subcommittee, 2021 to 2023; Curriculum Subcommittee, 2020 to 2021); Diversity and Inclusion Committee, 2018 to 2022
- Outcomes and Assessment: *Member*, Assessment Committee, 2023 to 2025, 2026 to present; Outcomes Assessment/WASC Accreditation Steering Committee, 2016 to 2018
- Strategy: *Member*, Mission & Values Committee, 2025 to 2026; (Role of Legal Scholarship Working Group, 2025 to 2026; Generative AI in Legal Education Working Group, 2025 to 2026); Strategic Planning Task Force, 2022 to 2023; Advisory Committee for Strategic Initiatives, 2016 to 2017

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 of 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

AMERICAN LAW INSTITUTE, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Elected Member, 2026 to present
Members Consultative Group, Principles of the Law, Civil Liability for Artificial Intelligence

ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS, Washington, D.C.
Section on Torts and Compensation Systems
Executive Committee Member, 2026 to present
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, 93 TENN. L. REV. 51 (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 30); Change Management & Organizational Behavior eJournal (top 50); Other Economics Research eJournal (top 50)
- Ranked as one of the most downloaded papers since the inception of SSRN in topics on other entrepreneurship and law (top 5); other

entrepreneurship, innovation, and growth (top 10); other leadership development (top 10); and other change management and organizational behavior (top 15)

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, law review and other commentary (2026).

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).

Mass Tort Litigation Blog, https://www.masstortlitigationblog.com (2025 to present) (LexBlog Network) (with co-editors Elizabeth Chamblee Burch, Sergio Campos, Howard Erichson, and Alexandra Lahav)

- Received more than 945,000 page views from courts, law firms, universities, and the public while Mass Tort Litigation Blog within Law Professor Blogs Network, 2006 to 2025
- 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); Columbia University Press (spring 2026); *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, Introduction, Symposium on Sustaining the Rule of Law: 60 Years of the Central District of California, Southwestern Law Review, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, October 16, 2026 (presented in collaboration with the United States District Court for the Central District of California)

Symposium Co-Chair, Symposium on Sustaining the Rule of Law: 60 Years of the Central District of California, Southwestern Law Review, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California, October 16, 2026 (presented in collaboration with the United States District Court for the Central District of California)

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 REPRESENTATIVE

Accreditation Resource Conference, WASC Senior College and University 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 Southwestern Law School faculty and students

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