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Professional Experience

Roger Williams University School of Law

Professor of Law, 2000-present; Associate Professor of Law, 1998-2000

Distinguished Research Professor of Law, 2008 to 2010

Professor of the Year, 2017 (selected by graduating class)

Present Courses: Civil Procedure I & II, Remedies, Family Law,  
Spiritual Dimensions of Lawyering

Past Courses: Topics in Remedies (writing seminar); The Jury System (writing seminar); Religion, Law, and Lawyering; Unconscious Meanings of Crime and Punishment (perspectives course); Presidential Election of 2000 (perspectives course); Administrative Law

Washington & Lee University School of Law

Visiting Professor of Law, Spring Semester 2003

Emory University School of Law

Associate Professor of Law, 1993-1997; Assistant Professor of Law, 1990-1993

Nominee, Emory University Student Government Association Excellence in Teaching Award

Ropes & Gray, Boston, Massachusetts, 1987-1990

Associate in civil litigation section

U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, 1986-1987

Judicial clerk for the Honorable George E. MacKinnon

Education

Yale Law School, J.D., 1986

Editor, *Yale Law Journal*

Director, Yale Moot Court of Appeals

University of Virginia, B.A. with High Distinction, 1983

Harry S. Truman Scholar from Virginia

Phi Beta Kappa

## Pro Bono Legal Service

Recipient, Rhode Island Bar Association Volunteer Lawyer Project Pro Bono Publico Award,  
June 2017

## Publications

“Recognizing Restitutionary Causes of Action and Remedies Under Rhode Island Law,”  
20 *Roger Williams University Law Review* 429 (2015)

“Recognizing Restitutionary Causes of Action and Remedies in Civil Litigation,” *Rhode Island Bar Journal* (March 2015)

“Reviewing Congressionally Created Remedies for Excessiveness,”  
73 *Ohio State Law Journal* 651 (2012)

“What is Specific about 'Specific Restitution'?” 60 *Hastings Law Journal* 853 (2009)

“Money as a 'Specific' Remedy,” 58 *Alabama Law Review* 119 (2006)

“Statutory Caps and Judicial Review of Damages,”  
39 *Akron Law Review* 1001 (2006) (symposium article)

“Prior Convictions, Jury Trial, and the Burden of Proof,”  
17 *Federal Sentencing Reporter* 175 (2005) (solicited article)

“Comparison to Criminal Sanctions in the Constitutional Review of Punitive Damages,”  
41 *San Diego Law Review* 1443 (2004) (symposium article)

“The Use of Prior Convictions after *Apprendi*,” 37 *U.C. Davis Law Review* 973 (2004)

“The ‘Bed Bug Case’ and *State Farm v. Campbell*”  
9 *Roger Williams University Law Review* 579 (2004) (symposium article)

“Misclassifying Monetary Restitution,”  
55 *Southern Methodist University Law Review* 1577 (2002)

“Judgment as a Matter of Law on Punitive Damages,” 75 *Tulane Law Review* 459 (2000)

“Judicial Assessment of Legal Remedies,”  
94 *Northwestern University Law Review* 153 (1999)

“The Narrowing of the Entitlement to Criminal Jury Trial,”  
1997 *Wisconsin Law Review* 133 (1997)

### Publications continued

“Context and the Allocation of Decisionmaking: Reflections on *United States v. Gaudin*,”  
82 *Virginia Law Review* 961 (1996)

“Determining Compensation: The Tension between Legislative Power and Jury  
Authority,” 74 *Texas Law Review* 345 (1995)

“Integrating the Constitutional Authority of Civil and Criminal Juries,”  
61 *George Washington Law Review* 723 (1993)

“Jury Factfinding of Offense-Related Sentencing Factors,”  
5 *Federal Sentencing Reporter* 41 (1992)

Note, “Article III Implications for the Applicability of the Seventh Amendment  
to Federal Statutory Actions,” 95 *Yale Law Journal* 1459 (1986)

### Presentations

Panelist, “The Aftermath of *Obergefell* for Religious Liberties,”  
Roger Williams University School of Law, October 28, 2015

“Attorney Online Investigation of Jurors,”  
National Meeting of Federal Bar Association, September 4, 2014

“Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in Israel & the West Bank: A Photographic  
Exploration,” Roger Williams University School of Law, September 2014

Respondent to presentation by Jeff Mateer, General Counsel of the Liberty Institute, on  
“The Threat to Religious Liberty,” Roger Williams University School of Law, April 2014

“Recognizing Restitutionary Causes of Action and Remedies,” Continuing Legal  
Education program, Rhode Island Bar Association Annual Meeting, June 15, 2012

Panelist, “Religion in the Public Square,”  
Temple Beth-El, Providence, RI, October 12, 2010

“Questioning Statutory Damages in Copyright Cases,” October 2, 2009  
Lewis & Clark School of Law, Symposium on Intellectual Property Remedies

Panelist, “Leading Lawyers: Defining Success in Work and Life--Balancing the Scales,”  
Roger Williams University School of Law, November 10, 2009

### Presentations continued

“Religious Language in Presidential Politics,”

Roger Williams University School of Law, October 22, 2008

St. John's Episcopal Church, Barrington, RI, November 2, 2008

“The Confused Meanings of ‘Specific’ and ‘Equitable’ Restitution,” North American Restitution Roundtable, Washington & Lee University School of Law, December 14, 2007

“Race in Public Education: What Progress Since Little Rock Central High?”

Sponsored by Black Law Students Association, RWU School of Law, October 4, 2007

Panelist, Genuine Tort Reform Symposium, commenting on presentations by

Deborah Hensler, Joe Sanders, and Valerie Hans, RWU School of Law, April 20, 2007

“The Use of Religious Language in Public Policy Discourse,” American Association of University Women, Bristol, Rhode Island, April 10, 2007

“A Refresher on Unjust Enrichment and Restitutionary Remedies,” Continuing Legal Education program of the Rhode Island Bar Association, June 22, 2006

“Monetary Remedies for the Descendants of Slaves,” Co-sponsored by Brown University Committee on Slavery and Justice and Warren Preservation Society, May 25, 2006

“Statutory Caps and Judicial Review of Damages,” presented at Remedies

Scholars Discussion Forum, University of Louisville School of Law, November 2005

“Constitutional Review of Punitive Damages,” Chapman Law School Symposium on Consumer Law, January 30, 2004

“The American Jury System,” week-long seminars offered to students of Universidade Catolica Portuguesa in Lisbon, Portugal, December 2003 and in Bristol, Rhode Island, August 2003 & August 2004

“Comparison to Criminal Sanctions in the Constitutional Review of Punitive Damages,” presented at Remedies Scholars Discussion Forum, University of Louisville School of Law, November 2003

“The Taxonomy of Monetary Remedies,” Faculty Workshop at Washington & Lee University School of Law, March 6, 2003

### Presentations continued

“Jury Fact-Finding and Sentencing,” Continuing Legal Education program of the Rhode Island Bar Association (co-presenter), December 13, 2002

“Developments in Rhode Island and Federal Civil Procedure,” Continuing Legal Education program of the Rhode Island Bar Association (co-presenter), April 26, 2000

“Judicial Assessment of Legal Remedies,” Florida State Law School, October 1999

“Damages Assessment and the Seventh Amendment,” Law & Society Conference, Chicago, May 29, 1993

“Integrating the Constitutional Authority of Civil and Criminal Juries” presented to:  
Law & Society Conference, Chicago, May 28, 1993  
Emory Law School Colloquium, February 24, 1993  
Georgia State College of Law Colloquium, February 17, 1993

Panelist, Thrower Symposium on “Desegregation Law: The Changing Vision of Equality in Education,” Emory Law School, March 5, 1993

“A Few Questions about Jury Questionnaires,” paper solicited for Eleventh Circuit Judicial Conference, May 1991

### Organizational Affiliations

Member, American Law Institute

ALI Members Consultative Group, Restatement (Third) of Restitution and Unjust Enrichment

Planning Committee for 2016 District Court Conference for the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island, 2015-2017

Member, Policy Council, East Bay Head Start, 2016 to present

Vestry Member, St. John's Episcopal Church, Barrington, RI, 2009-2011

Member, Board of Directors, Access Rhode Island, 2004-2006

Democracy Fellow, Vote for America, 2002

### Organizational Affiliations continued

Member, Rhode Island Bar Association Task Force on Lawyer Civility and Accountability, 2000

Member, Harry S. Truman Scholar Selection Panel, 1992-1997, which awards congressionally-funded scholarships to students committed to public service

### Selected Law School Service

Roger Williams University School of Law:

Chair, Curriculum Committee, 2016-2017, 2012-2013

Chair, Legal Writing Committee, 2013-2015

Coordinator, Internal Faculty Scholarship Workshops, 2006-2014

Chair, Admissions Committee, 2010-2011, 2005-2006

Chair, Retention, Promotion, and Tenure Committee, 2003-2004

Chair, Faculty Appointments Committee, 2001-2002; Co-Chair 2008-2009

Member, Faculty Appointments Committee, 2010-11, 2005-06, 2001-02, 1997-98

Chair, Faculty Development Committee, 1998-1999

### Bar Admissions

Massachusetts, 1986

Rhode Island, 1997

U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, 1987