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Professional Experience

Roger Williams University School of Law

Professor of Law, 2000-present; Associate Professor of Law, 1998-2000  
Distinguished Teaching Professor of Law, 2017-2018  
Professor of the Year, 2017 (selected by graduating class)  
Distinguished Research Professor of Law, 2008 to 2010

Present Courses: Civil Procedure I & II, Remedies, Civil Procedure Bar Prep.

Previously Taught Courses: Spiritual Dimensions of Lawyering (perspectives course), Family Law, Topics in Remedies (writing seminar); The Jury System (writing seminar); Religion, Law, and Lawyering; Unconscious Meanings of Crime and Punishment (perspectives course); The 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

Elected Member, American Law Institute

ALI Members Consultative Group, *Restatement (Third) Torts--Remedies*

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

Pro Bono Legal Service

Recipient, Rhode Island Bar Association Volunteer Lawyer Project Pro Bono Publico Award, June 2017; rendered pro bono legal services in divorce proceeding, child removal proceedings, and probate proceeding

Publications

“Removing Statistical Discrimination in Personal Injury and Wrongful Death Compensation in Rhode Island,” 29 *Roger Williams University Law Review* 555 (co-authored with student Natalie DeAngelis) (2024)

“Mind the Gap: A Tribute to David Logan on His Retirement,” 28 *Roger Williams University Law Review* 280 (2023) (co-authored with Justin Kishbaugh)

“Note-Taking Mode and Academic Performance in Two Law School Courses” 68 *Journal of Legal Education* 207 (2019) (co-authored with C.J. Ryan & Yajni Warnapala)

“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)

## Publications continued

“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)

“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

“Holy Weeks in Jerusalem: Western & Orthodox Traditions,” Roger Williams University  
School of Law, April 7, 2020

“Issues of Equality and Difference in Israel and the Palestinian Territories,” Exploring  
Equality Roundtable, Roger Williams University School of Law, Oct. 2, 2019

## Presentations continued

“Spiritual Dimensions of Lawyering” presented to:

- Mediation class at University of Haifa, Israel, April 8, 2019
- Clinical Faculty of the University of Tel Aviv, Tel Aviv, Israel, April 3, 2019
- Faculty of Ono Academic College, Kiryat Ono, Israel, February 17, 2019

“Process & the Kavanaugh Hearings,” University of Virginia, Jefferson Literary and Debate Society, October 5, 2018

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

“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

## Presentations continued

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

“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

Presentations continued

“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

Bar Admissions

Massachusetts, 1986  
Rhode Island, 1997  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, 1987

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