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EDUCATION

The University of Chicago Law School, J.D. 1992 with High Honors, Order of the Coif

Amherst College, B.A. 1985, magna cum laude in English Literature

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Boston University School of Law

Professor of Law, 1999 – present

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, July 2004 – July 2006

Associate Professor, 1993 – 1999

Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Visiting Professor of Law, 2006-07 academic year

Visiting Professor of Law, F2009

Chuo University, Tokyo, Japan, Visiting Professor, F2007

HONORS AND AWARDS

Provost's Scholar-Teacher of the Year Award, 2026, Boston University

Commendation Voted by the Massachusetts Legislature, November 22, 2024, for anti-tobacco work

Woman of the Year 2022, Brookline, Massachusetts, for anti-tobacco work

American Law Institute, elected 2017

Michael Melton Award for Teaching Excellence, 2004, 2021

Dean's Award for Service to the Law School, 2006, 2014, 2016, 2025

Dean's Duct Tape Award for Pandemic Response 2020

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

Honorable Richard A. Posner, U.S. Court of Appeals for the 7th Circuit, Law Clerk, 1992-1993

Williams & Connolly, Washington, D.C. Summer Associate, 1991

The National Women's Law Center, Washington, D.C. Summer Law Clerk, 1991

Miller, Shakman, Hamilton & Kurtzon, Chicago, Illinois Summer Associate, 1990

BOOKS

1. **TORTS REMIX** (Open-Source Casebook 2022/23/24/25/26) (editor)
2. **ESSENTIALS OF FAMILY LAW** (Aspen 2009) 198 pp., with Katharine K. Baker
3. **A GUIDE TO AMERICA'S SEX LAWS** (Chicago 1996) 243 pp., with Richard A. Posner (paperback 1998)

ARTICLES, ESSAYS, BOOK CHAPTERS, BOOK REVIEWS

CURRENTLY IN PRESS

Corporate Childrearing: Remapping the Family Law Square, 76 Duke L. J. xx (forthcoming 2027)

Automated Caring, 31 BU J. Sci. & Tech. L. xx, forthcoming 2026)

Family Law as Private Law, 111 Iowa L. Rev. xx (forthcoming 2026)

The Sports Parent's Predicament, 60 New England L. Rev. xx (forthcoming 2026) (reviewing Dionne Kollor, *More Than Play*) (invited)

PUBLISHED WORKS

Birthdate Phaseout, 60 U. Richmond L. Rev. 685-747 (2026)

Benchmarking Age-Gates, 63 Family Court Rev. 1-20 (2025) (peer-reviewed)

Work and Home, 105 Boston University Law Review 975 (2025)

Katharine Silbaugh, et al, ***TOWARD A TOBACCO-FREE GENERATION — A BIRTH DATE–BASED PHASEOUT APPROACH***, 390 NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL OF MEDICINE 1837 (2024) (peer-reviewed)

Regulating Social Media through Family Law, 15 UC Irvine Law Review 1-81 (2024) (w Adam CaplanBricker)

Family Needs, Family Leave in 2023, 53 Seton Hall Law Review 1609 (2023)

Title IX's Unrealized Potential to Prevent Sexual Violence, 103 Boston University Law Review Online 12 (2023)

Brookline introduces Tobacco-Free Generation law - Tobacco Control. Tobacco Control British Medical Journal. 2022. [online] (co-authored)

Medical Cannabis and the Age of Majority, 101 Boston University Law Review 1155 (2021)

More Than the Vote: 16-Year-Old Voting and The Risks of Legal Adulthood, 100 Boston University Law Rev 1689 (2020)

Developmental Justice and the Voting Age, 47 Fordham Urban Law Journal 253 (2020)

The Common Law Inside a Social Hierarchy: Power or Reason? 61 Boston College Law Review E. Supp. 1105 (2020)

Emerson v. Magendantz and Wrongful Life, book chapter in FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: REWRITTEN TORTS OPINIONS, Lucinda Finley & Martha Chamallas, eds. (Cambridge University Press, 2020)

The Legal Design for Parenting Concussion Risk, 53 UC Davis Law Review 197 (2019)

Environmental Determinism: Functional Egalitarian Spaces Promote Functional Egalitarian Practices, 71(1) Florida Law Review 154 (2019)

Aging Policy Design, 97 Boston University Law Review 1943 (2017)

Distinguishing Households from Families, 43 Fordham Urban Law Journal 1071 (2016)

Households and Families: A Legal Mismatch, 41 Harvard Design Magazine F/W 50 (2015)

Reactive to Proactive: Title IX's Unrealized Capacity to Prevent Campus Sexual Assault, 95 Boston University Law Review 1049 (2015)

Bullying Prevention and Boyhood, 93 Boston University Law Review 1029 (2013)

AN OVERVIEW OF STATE ANTI-BULLYING LEGISLATION AND OTHER RELATED LAWS, (with Dena T. Sacco, Felipe Corredor, June Casey, and Davis Doherty) for the Kinder and Braver World Project: Research Series, Berkman Center for Internet & Society, Harvard University (2012)

Unsex the End of Men, in Unsex Mothering: Online Colloquium, Harvard Journal of Law and Gender (2012)

Architecture of Legal Feminism, Issues in Legal Scholarship: Vol. 9 Iss. 2 (Article), Article 6 (2011)

Testing as Commodification, 35 Wash. U. J. L. & Pol'y 309 (2011)

Deliverable Male, 34 Seattle University L. Rev. 733 (2011)
<http://digitalcommons.law.seattleu.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=2017&context=sulr>

Sprawl, Family Rhythms, and the Four-Day Work Week, 42 Conn. L. Rev. 1267 (2010)

Cleveland v. LaFleur, ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES (Macmillan 2008)

Califano v. Westcott, ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES (Macmillan 2008)

Developments in U.S. Products Liability Law: Defining a Defect in Product Design (trans. by Megumi Takahashi), Vol XLII Comparative Law Review No. 2, 117-148 (2008)

Women's Place: Urban Planning, Housing Design, and Work-Family Balance, 76 Fordham L. Rev. 1797 (2007)

WalMart's other Woman Problem: Sprawl and Work-Family Balance, 39 Conn. L. Rev. 1715 (2007)

Money as Emotion in the Distribution of Wealth at Divorce, chapter in Robin Fretwell Wilson, ed., RECONCEIVING THE FAMILY: CRITIQUE ON THE AMERICAN LAW INSTITUTE'S PRINCIPLES OF THE LAW OF FAMILY DISSOLUTION 234 (Cambridge 2006)

The Practice of Marriage, 20 Wisconsin Women's Law Journal 189 (2005)

Is The Work-Family Conflict Pathological or Normal under the FMLA? The Potential of the FMLA to Cover Ordinary Work-Family Conflicts, 15 Wash. U. J.L. & Pol'y 193 (2004)

Proliferation, 12 Columbia Journal of Gender and Law 462 (2003)

Sex Offenses: Consensual, encyclopedia entry, ENCYCLOPEDIA OF CRIME AND JUSTICE, 2d ed., Vol. 4, pp 1465-75 (MacMillan 2002)

Guest-editor of Symposium, **CONCEPTIONS OF CARE WORK**, Volume 76, No. 3, Chicago-Kent Law Review 2001 (selected topic and participants)

Foreword, *The Structures of Care Work*, 76 Chi-Kent L. Rev. 1389 (2001)

Gender and Non-financial Matters in the ALI Principles of the Law of Family Dissolution, 8 Duke J. of Gender L. & Pol'y 203 (2001)

Accounting for Family Change, (review of "From Parents to Partners" by June Carbone), 89 Georgetown L. J. 923 (2001)

One Plus One Makes Two, review of "Alone Together" by Milton Regan, 4 The Green Bag 2d, 109 (Autumn 2000)

Conference dialogue, *New Directions in Feminist Legal Theory*, at conference entitled "Unbending Gender, Why Work and Family Conflict and What to Do About It," 49 American University L. Rev. 943-985 (2000)

Miller v. Albright: Problems of Constitutionalization in Family Law, 79 B.U. L. Rev. 1139 (1999)

Marriage Contracts and the Family Economy, 93 Northwestern L. Rev. 65-143 (1998) Edited version reprinted in Fineman, et al, eds., FEMINISM MEETS ECONOMIC MAN (2005)

Grounded Applications: Feminism and Law at the Millennium, 50 Maine L. Rev. 201-209 (1998)

The Polygamous Heart?, a review of Arlie Hochschild's *The Time Bind*, 1 Green Bag 2d 97- 100 (1997)

Commodification and Women's Household Labor, 9 Yale J. Law & Fem. 81-121 (1997) Edited version reprinted in Fineman, ed., FEMINISM MEETS ECONOMIC MAN (2005)

Foreword, Symposium on Transracial Adoption, 6 B.U. Pub. Int. L. J. 381-383 (1997)

Turning Labor Into Love: Housework and the Law, 91 Northwestern L. Rev. 1-86 (1996)

Intrusive Law Reform?, 76 Boston University Law Rev. 193-99 (Feb./Apr. 1996)

Sticks and Stones Can Break My Name: Nondefamatory Negligent Injury to Reputation, 59 U. Chicago L. Rev. 865 (1992)

Select Editorials *et al*

Henry L. Dorkin & Katharine Silbaugh, **Innovative 'Nicotine Free Generation' Policies Must Continue Despite Industry Pushback**, STAT (May 19, 2026), <https://www.statnews.com/2026/05/19/nicotine-free-generation-united-kingdom-massachusetts-laws/>.

Solo guest for segment on National NPR show 1A, [May 12, 2026](#), to discuss Nicotine Free Generation

Savage T., Ishak A., Silbaugh K., Chadwick G., Hartmann L., Gottlieb M., Buzby M., Winickoff J. **Nicotine Free Generation Frequently Asked Questions and Answers** (open)

SJC Can Fuel Spread of Brookline Tobacco Law, Commonwealth Beacon (Nov. 2023)

After Goodridge: Will Civil Unions Do? Jurist (February 11, 2004)

EXTERNAL PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2025-present, Uniform Laws Commission proposed statute addressing children and social media: working with the ULC to draft statute reflecting my proposed parent consent policy from Regulating Social Media through Family Law, 15 UC Irvine Law Review 1-81 (2024) (with Adam Caplan-Bricker)

2020-present: Advocacy for Nicotine Free Generation (TFG) initiative to replace age-based restrictions with birthdate restrictions for purchasing tobacco products. Work with local, State, and international officials and advocacy groups. Media appearances including in Time Magazine, CNBC, Boston Magazine, The Doctors, and local television. Testimony at multiple Health Boards. Through these meetings and public testimony at board hearings, co-led the passage of a Nicotine Free Generation birthdate phaseout regulation in the following Massachusetts towns: Stoneham, Wakefield, Melrose, Winchester, Malden, Reading, Concord, Manchester-by-the-Sea, Chelsea, Belchertown, Needham, Newton, Conway, Pelham, Hopkinton, South Hadley, Somerville, Dover, Leverett, Amherst, Hardwick, Northampton, Medfield, and Easthampton, building on 2021 passage in Brookline and successful defense against industry challenge at Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court in *Six Brothers v. Town of Brookline*, 228 N.E.3d 565 (Mass. 2024). The Massachusetts Legislature voted me a commendation for this work on November 22, 2024.

Sponsored first of its kind warrant article prohibiting the sale of nicotine/tobacco to anyone born after 1/1/2000, successfully steered warrant article through multiple committees to an affirmative final vote, February-November 2020

2025 Amicus, in *E.N. v Kehoe*, Amicus Curiae Brief of Family Law and Constitutional Law Scholars Supporting Appellants, in the Supreme Court of Missouri, July 8, 2025.

2024 Amicus, in *United States v. Skrmetti*, Brief for Family Law and Constitutional Law Scholars as Amici Curiae Supporting Petitioner and Respondents in Support of Petitioner (September 3, 2024) in the Supreme Court of the United States.

2023 Amicus in *Eknes-Tucker v. Alabama*, USCA11 Case: 22-11707 (September 18, 2023) Brief of Family Law and Constitutional Law Scholars as Amici Curiae in Support of Plaintiffs' Petition for Rehearing En Banc, United States Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit (parental authority over medical decision-making should make statute banning gender-affirming care for minors unconstitutional).

2022 Amicus in *ABF v. M and LF*, SJC-13295 (November 16, 2022) Brief of Amici Curiae Professors of Constitutional and Family Law (one of 12 Amici on Family Law Parentage brief to the Massachusetts SJC)

2021 Successful voting access advocacy: Sponsored warrant article to study disparity between renters and homeowners in voting in local elections, improve language accessibility, and mail voter registration to each household, February - May 2021

2019 Successful anti-flavored tobacco advocacy: Sponsored warrant article to remove all flavored tobacco from the Town of Brookline in an effort to curb youth nicotine addiction, successfully steered warrant article through multiple committees to an affirmative final vote, February-May 2019

2019 Amicus in *Dvash-Banks v. U.S. Dept. of State*, Brief of Amici Curiae Family Law Professors in Support of Appellees, 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, December 2019

Treasurer, Lessig2016, Democratic candidate for President (filed the quarterly FEC reports for primary candidate focused on campaign finance reform)

2015 Amicus in Obergefell v. Hodges, Brief of Amici Curiae Family Law Scholars in Support of Petitioners, Supreme Court of the United States, March 2015

2014 Amicus in Latta v Otter, Brief of Amici Curiae Family Law and Conflicts of Law Professors, Marriage Recognition State of Idaho, 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, July 2014

2014 Amicus in Henry v Himes, Brief of Amici Curiae Family Law and Conflict of Laws Professors, Marriage Recognition State of Ohio, 6th Circuit Court of Appeals, July 2014

2014 Amicus in Tanco v. Haslam, Brief of Amici Curiae Family Law and Conflict of Laws Professors, Marriage Recognition State of Tennessee, June 2014

2014 Amicus in Bourke v. Beshear, Brief of Amici Curiae Family Law and Conflict of Laws Professors, Marriage Recognition State of Kentucky, June 2014

2014 Amicus in Bostic v. Rainey, Brief of Amici Curiae Family Law and Conflict of Laws Professors, Marriage Recognition State of Virginia, April 2014

2014 Amicus in Bishop v Smith, Brief of Amici Curiae Joan Heifetz Hollinger, Marianne Blair, Courtney Joslin, and Fifty-Seven Other Family Law Professors, Marriage Recognition State of Oklahoma, March 2014

2014 Amicus in Kitchen v Herbert, Brief of Amici Curiae Family Law and Conflict of Laws Professors, Marriage Recognition State of Utah, March 2014

2013 Amicus in Brackett v. DeMarco, Brief of Child Welfare and Family Law Professors, filed in the New Hampshire Supreme Court, November 11, 2013

2013 Amicus in Beverly Sevcik v. Brian Sandoval, BRIEF OF AMICI CURIAE FAMILY LAW PROFESSORS IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS-APPELLANTS in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, filed October 25, 2013

Drafter, 2013 Amicus in United States v. Windsor, BRIEF OF AMICI CURIAE FAMILY AND CHILD WELFARE LAW PROFESSORS ADDRESSING THE MERITS AND IN SUPPORT OF RESPONDENTS, Before the United States Supreme Court, filed March 1, 2013 http://www.aclu.org/files/assets/amicus_brief_of_family_and_child_welfare_law_professors_on_merits_for_windsor.pdf

Leader, 2013 Amicus in Dennis Hollingsworth v. Kristin Perry, BRIEF OF AMICI CURIAE EDWARD D. STEIN, JOANNA L. GROSSMAN, KERRY ABRAMS, HOLNING LAU, KATHARINE B. SILBAUGH AND 32 OTHERS PROFESSORS OF FAMILY LAW AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW IN SUPPORT OF RESPONDENTS, Before the United States Supreme Court, filed February 27, 2013 <http://38.106.4.56/Modules/ShowDocument.aspx?documentID=1190>

Drafter, 2012 Amicus in Windsor v. Bipartisan Legal Advisory Group of the U.S. House of Representatives (BLAG), BRIEF OF AMICI CURIAE PROFESSORS OF CHILD WELFARE LAW, in the 2d Circuit, filed September 7, 2012

Drafter, 2012 Amicus in Golinski v. U.S. Office of Personnel Management and BLAG, BRIEF OF AMICI CURIAE JOAN HEIFETZ HOLLINGER, COURTNEY JOSLIN, KATHARINE SILBAUGH, AND OTHER FAMILY AND CHILD WELFARE LAW PROFESSORS IN SUPPORT OF AFFIRMANCE OF THE JUDGMENT BELOW, in the 9th Circuit, filed July 10, 2012

Drafter, 2011 Amicus in Nancy Gill et al v. Office of Personnel Management, et al, Amici Curiae Katharine Silbaugh and Professors of Family Law, U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit addressing a Constitutional challenge to the federal Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) as applied to married Massachusetts couples of the same sex and as applied to the State of Massachusetts.

<http://www.glad.org/uploads/docs/cases/gill-v-office-of-personnel-management/2011-11-03-gill-vopm-amici-family-child-welfare.pdf>

2007 Amicus in Margaret Chambers v. Cassandra Ormiston, Silbaugh, Katharine, et al., On a Certified Question from the Supreme Court, Brief Amici Curiae of Professors of Conflict of Laws and Family Law, State of Rhode Island Supreme Court, addressing whether a Rhode Island family court has jurisdiction in the matter of a divorce filing by a same sex Rhode Island couple who were married in Massachusetts, 2007

2007 Amicus in Long Island Care at Home, Ltd. and Mary Osborne v. Evelyn Coke, Brief of Law Professors and Historians on writ of Certiorari to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, March 2007, addressing the history of domestic service under the Fair Labor Standards Act

2006 Amicus in Elizabeth Kerrigan, et al. Commission of Public Health, before the Supreme Court of the State of Connecticut, Brief of The Family Law Practitioners and Professors of Family Law, December 11, 2006

2005 Amicus in Cote-Whitacre, et al v. Department of Health, et al, before the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, Brief of Amicus Curiae Professors of Conflict of Laws and Family Law, addressing the use of a 1913 law to prevent out of state residents from marrying in Massachusetts, 2005

2004 Presidential election: Organized student research on behalf of the Save the Court Project for the Democratic Party in the Presidential election

2004 Signatory to Law Professors brief to the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court on whether Civil Unions comply with the Goodridge opinion, January 2004, authored by Laurence Tribe

Drafter, 2002, Brief for Monroe Inker and Charles Kinregan, Amici Curiae, Goodridge et al v. DPH, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Supreme Judicial Court, No. SJC08860 (November 8, 2002), before the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, 2002

SELECT LECTURES, PRESENTATIONS, AND PANELS

Presented paper, "Corporate Childrearing," Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, Los Angeles, CA, June 1, 2026.

Plenary Panel Presentation, "Parenthood in the Digital Age: Children, AI, and the Future of Family Authority," at the annual Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, Los Angeles, CA, June 2, 2026

Presented Essay, "Corporate Caregiving," symposium on AI Assistants, BU Law, February 13, 2026

Presented Paper, "Corporate Childrearing," Boston University Faculty Workshop, February 12, 2026

Commentator, Equality Law Scholars Conference, LMU Loyola Los Angeles, November 6-7, 2025

Uniform Laws Commission, Children's Online Safety and Protection Study Committee: Presented paper, Regulating Social Media through Family Law, 15 UC Irvine Law Review 1-81 (2024) (with Adam CaplanBricker), October 23, 2025.

Presented paper, "The Sports Parent's Predicament," at New England School of Law, October 30, 2025.

Testified about Nicotine Free Generation at the Massachusetts State House (July 14, 2025) and before dozens of Boards of Health in Massachusetts 2024-present.

Presented paper(s), Corporate Childrearing and Social Media, U. of North Carolina, September 8, 2025.

Testified at Massachusetts State House hearing on a Nicotine Free Generation bill, July 14, 2025

Presented Paper, "Birthdate Phaseout," Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, Drexel University, Philadelphia, June 17, 2025

Presented Paper, "The Square", University of Chicago Law School Workshop on Regulation of Family, Sex, and Gender, April 4, 2025

Presented paper, Regulating Social Media through Family Law, 15 UC Irvine Law Review 1-81 (2024) (with Adam Caplan-Bricker), University of North Carolina, February 4, 2025

Presented "Youth and Age Gates," Research on Tap, Boston University Institute for Health System Innovation and Policy, January 29, 2025

Delivered Talk, "Nicotine Free Generation," University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia, Nov. 9, 2024

Presented, "Massachusetts Nicotine Free Generation," Action on Smoking and Health (ASH) Webinar, Tobacco Endgame Landscape: Global to Local, October 23, 2024

Invited Participant, 1st National Tobacco Endgame Summit, Washington, D.C. April 18-19, 2024

Presented Paper, "Benchmarking Age-Gates," NonMarriage Roundtable, U. Virginia, September 2024

Presented Paper, "It's A Square," Family Law Scholars & Teachers Conference, U. of Baltimore, June 19, 2024

International Academy of Family Lawyers, Audrey Ducroux Memorial Lecture, Regulating Social Media Through Family Law, scheduled June 7, 2024

BU Law book panel, commentator, Paul Gowder's "The Networked Leviathan," April 5, 2024

BU Law Faculty Workshop, Parenting Social Media Risk, February 29, 2024

Belmont Bookstore, book discussion with Marcia Zug about "You'll Do", February 8, 2024

George Washington Law School, "The Legal Design for Parenting Social Media Risk," faculty workshop, February 5, 2024

BU Law Teaching Workshop, presentation on methods, September 8, 2023

League of Women Voters Colloquium, Youth Voting, June 15, 2023

League of Women Voters Panel, Vote 16, June 4, 2023

University of Chicago Workshop on Family Regulation, commentator, May 10, 2023

Seton Hall, presented paper, “Family Needs, Family Leave in 2023” at conference, After Dobbs, February 10, 2023.

BU Law, presented paper, “Title IX’s Unrealized Potential to Prevent Sexual Violence”, at symposium, Title IX at 50: Learning from the Past and Looking to the Future, occurred on September 23, 2022

Tobacco Endgame Matters Podcast: Interviewed for Episode 4, “Lessons Learned from Brookline, MA”, May 27, 2022 <https://endtobaccoca.ash.org/podcasts/>

2022 Annual Tobacco Treatment and Prevention Conference, Portland, ME, invited lecture, Achieving a Tobacco-Free Generation: Legal Innovation, May 10, 2022

No. Branch Minnesota City Council, “How to Enact a Tobacco-Free Generation Ordinance,” May 4, 2022

Boston University, presented paper “Medical Cannabis and the Age of Majority,” at Marijuana Law 2020: Lessons from the Past, Ideas for the Future, November 14, 2020

Boston University, Chaired interdepartmental forum with Political Science Department, “Election 2020: A First Look Back”, November 6, 2020

Boston University, presented paper, “More Than the Vote: 16-Year-Old Voting and The Risks of Legal Adulthood” at The Centenary of the 19th Amendment: New Reflections on the History and Future of Gender, Representation, and Citizenship Rights, September 25, 2020

Testimony re family law implications of a proposal to allow 16-year-old voting in municipal elections, Brookline Town Meeting and Boards: October 1, 2019, October 24, 2019, November 21, 2019

Law and Society: Law, Legal Scholars, and Early Childhood Development, May 31, 2019

University of Texas: Women’s Power Summit, “Bullies of the C Suite”, April 10, 2019

University of Connecticut: Faculty workshop, “Concussion & the Parent”, February 6, 2019

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), “Limits and Possibilities for Title IX” at Higher Ed in the Era of #MeToo, April 20, 2018

University of Florida Early Childhood Workshop, “Early Childhood: Critical Legal Issues and Strategies,” Gainesville, Florida, April 5-6, 2018

Boston University, Student-Faculty forum, “Why Can’t We All Just Get Along? Lessons from Long-Term Social and Political Conflicts,” panel presentation, March 21, 2018

Boston University, Institute for Health System Innovation & Policy, “Households, Families, and Design: When Does Law Impede Better Living Arrangements?” at Challenges and Opportunities for an Aging Society: New Directions in Medicine, Health Care, and Social Policy, February 27, 2018

University of Florida and Anita Zucker Center: Early Childhood Summit, Orlando, Florida, Feb. 8-10, 2017

Boston University School of Law, "Evaluating Attainment of Outcomes and Creating an Assessment Plan" at Responding to the New ABA Standards: Best Practices in Outcomes Assessment, April 2, 2016
Fordham University, Cooper-Walsh Colloquium, "Households and Families," October 23, 2015

Western New England University School of Law: Clason Lecture, "Reactive to Proactive: Title IX's Unrealized Capacity to Prevent Campus Sexual Assault", September 22, 2015

Amherst College: "Prevention over Punishment" panel, Protecting Vulnerable Adolescents, May 30, 2015

Standing on Ceremony: The Gay Marriage Plays, Panelist, Tuesday, December 9, 2014, Club Café Boston

BU Law, Reactive to Proactive: Title IX's Unrealized Capacity to Prevent Campus Sexual Assault, 95 Boston University Law Review 1049 (2015), at the Civil Rights Act at 50 Conference, November 14, 2014

TEDxYouth@BeaconStreet, "Head Games," TEDx talk, November 16, 2013

BU Law, Same Sex Marriage litigation panel, March 28, 2013

BU Law, Commentator on book symposium, Linda McClain, What is Parenthood? Contemporary Debates About the Family, March 4, 2013

BU Law, "8, the Play": staged reading of play about the prop 8 trial, November 28, 2012

BU Law, Talkback panel following "8, the play", November 28, 2012

BU Law, presented paper "Bullying Prevention and Boyhood," End of Men Conference, Oct. 12, 2012

Boston University School of Law, faculty forum on scholarship, "An Overview of State Anti-Bullying Legislation and Other Related Laws," May 1, 2012

Northeastern University Law School, presenter, "Is Anti-Bullying Legislation the Answer to the School Bullying Problem?", Symposium on School Bullying, March 30, 2012

Harvard University's Berkman Center for Internet & Society Presenting research of the Law and Policy working group, "An Overview of State Anti-Bullying Legislation and other Related Laws," at the Symposium on Youth Meanness and Cruelty (with the support of Lady Gaga's Born This Way Foundation and the MacArthur Foundation), February 29, 2012.

Harvard Law School: Unsex-ing Mothering Conference, February 13, 2012 (online colloquium respondent)

BU Law: panel, Bully No More?, April 12, 2011

BU Law: panel, Surrogacy and Assisted Reproductive Technology, OUTLAW, February 24, 2011

Harvard Law School: commentator on Jeannie Suk's, "The Look in His Eyes: The Story of State v. Rusk and Rape Reform," HLS Institute for Global Law and Policy and HLS Program on Law and Social Thought, February 23, 2011

Adolescent Consultative Services: "Antibullying Legislation in Massachusetts" at Forum, The Real Work Against Kids Bullying Kids: New Legislation, Ongoing Research, and ACS Interventions, Union Club Boston, November 16, 2010

BU Law: panel discussion, Same Sex Marriage and Prop 8: Making a Federal Case out of Marriage, September 20, 2010

Harvard Law School: panel discussion, "Questions of Conscience? Religious Exemptions to Same Sex Marriage Laws," April 15, 2010

Washington University School of Law: presented paper, "Testing as Commodification," at symposium conference, "For Love or Money?," March 26, 2010

University of Connecticut: presented paper, "Sprawl, Family Rhythms, and the Four- Day Work Week," at conference "Redefining Work: Implication of the Four-Day Work Week," October 30, 2009

Bar Ilan University (Ramat Gan, Tel Aviv, Israel): Faculty workshop, March 4, 2008

Chuo University (Tokyo, Japan): Employment At-Will in the United States, Lecture, November 16, 2007

Chuo University (Tokyo, Japan): Developments in Products Liability Law: Ideas and Interests, Faculty Workshop, November 13, 2007

University of Wisconsin: "Women's Place: Urban Planning, Housing Design, and Work-Family Balance," New Legal Realism meets Feminism & Legal Theory II: Empirical Perspectives on the Place of Law in Women's Work and Family Lives, October 6, 2007

University of Colorado: "Women's Place: Urban Planning, Housing Design, and Work- Family Balance" Second Annual Colloquium on Current Scholarship in Labor and Employment, September 28, 2007

Harvard Law School: panel, "Race, Gender, and Sexuality in the Military," GALLA Conference on Don't Ask Don't Tell, March 3, 2007

Harvard Law School: panel, "Rewriting the Rules," Women's Law Association conference on Rewriting the Rules, February 16, 2007

Harvard Law School: debate, "Is same-sex marriage good for the country?" versus Maggie Gallagher, President, Institute for Marriage and Public Policy, November 6, 2006

Hofstra University School of Law: "the Architecture of Equality", conference on Dimensions of Women's Equal Citizenship, November 3, 2006

University of Connecticut Law School: "Walmart's other Woman Problem", WalMart Matters Conference, October 21, 2006

Boston University School of Law: "The role of Marriage in the Schiavo case", Conference on Terri Schiavo— One Year Later, March 31, 2006

Wisconsin School of Law: "The Practice of Marriage", keynote address for a symposium on the 20th anniversary of a law journal, December 5, 2005

Boston University School of Law: "Lawrence v. Texas and Constitutional Historicism: A Comment on Jack Balkin", Lochner Centennial Conference (October 15, 2004)

Harvard Law School: "Nonfinancial Aspects of Marriage: The Property Illustration," Conference on the ALI's Principles of the Law of Family Dissolution (October 14, 2004)

Boston Bar Association, Continuing Legal Education Series on the practical implications of the Goodridge same-sex marriage decision, presentation on the Defense of Marriage Act and federal-state marital status disparity (May 25, 2004)

Wisconsin Public Radio: Sole guest for a one-hour public radio broadcast throughout Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan and Illinois offering legal analysis on the first day Massachusetts issued marriage licenses to same sex couples, May 17, 2004

Washington University School of Law: Presented Paper, "Women's Place: Urban Planning and Work Family Balance", Faculty Workshop, April 27, 2004

Washington University Interdisciplinary Public Policy Workshop: Presented Paper, "Women's Place: Urban Planning and Work-Family Balance", Olin Center, Department of Economics, April 26, 2004

Northeastern University School of Law: delivered talk on Globalization of Caregiving Labor at Conference on Progressive Lawyering, Globalization, and Markets, November 7, 2003

Harvard Law School: Invited Closed Working Group on "Taking a Break from Feminism," November conference, November 14, 2003

Expert Testimony before the Joint Committee on the Judiciary, Massachusetts Statehouse, on H. 3677, a bill to extend marriage benefits without regard to gender, October 23, 2003

University of California, Berkeley School of Law, Boalt Hall: Commodification and Women's Household Labor, Legal Theory Workshop, October 10, 2002

University of Maine Law School: Care Work and Equality, Conference on Law, Labor and Gender, September 14, 2002

Harvard Law School: Pro-Marriage Initiatives, Harvard Law School, conference, "25 Years of Feminism & Legal Theory," March 9, 2002

New England School of Law: presenter and organizer of panel entitled "Redefining Family" at a Conference in Memory of Mary Joe Frug, March 30-31, 2001

University of Toronto: Canadian Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, commentator, panel entitled, "Women, Work, and Family," September 22, 2000

American University Law School: Facilitator of Workshop, Identities, Intimacies, and Cash: Re-Theorizing Commodification, American University, Washington College of Law, Washington, DC, June 23-24, 2000 (selected readings and lead discussion of Intimacies and Commodification)

Yale Law School: Invited Participant in Working Group, "Work, Family, and Citizenship," at a working conference by invitation only, entitled, "Women, Justice & Authority," April 28-20, 2000

Harvard Law School: Invited participant in all-day Roundtable Discussion, "Child Care, Women's Work and Development Policy," April 21, 2000

American University Law School: Presented Family Labor as Work, in “New Directions in Feminist Legal Theory,” at conference entitled “Unbending Gender, Why Work and Family Conflict and What to Do About It,” November 19, 1999

Yale Law School: Presented paper, “Marriage Contract and the Family Economy,” Workplace Theory and Policy Seminar of Professor Vicki Schultz, April 5, 1999

Cornell Law School: Presentation, “Family Work,” at conference entitled New Directions in Family Law, February 28, 1999

The Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting: Presentation, “Domestic Workers,” Workshop on Work, Workers and Law in the 21st Century, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 7, 1999

University of Maine School of Law: Delivered paper, “Grounded Applications: Feminism and Law at the Millenium” at Conference: Feminism, Law, and the Twenty- first Century: Priorities and Practicalities, Saturday, April 4, 1998

Harvard Law School: Panel presentation, “Contemporary Challenges to Gender Equality,” at Conference entitled Reason, Passion and the Progress of Law: Remembering and Advancing the Constitutional Vision of Justice William J. Brennan, March 14, 1998

Columbia University Law School: Delivered paper, “Marriage Contracts and the Family Economy,” Feminism and Legal Theory Colloquium, March 13, 1998

Harvard Law School: Lecture to LLMS, “An Introduction to Feminist Jurisprudence,” October 24, 1997

National Public Radio: Guest with Laurence Tribe for one hour of Talk of the Nation, June 10, 1997

Columbia University Law School: Delivered paper, “Commodifying Women’s Household Labor,” Feminism and Legal Theory Colloquium, March 15, 1997

Yale Law School: Delivered paper, “Commodifying Women’s Household Labor,” Challenging Boundaries Conference, November 10, 1996

Boston University School of Law: Moderator of panel, “Is Welfare Reform Working?” April 11, 1996

The University of Connecticut School of Law: Panelist, “Women at Home in New Market Economies,” Conference on the Status of Women in New Market Economies, April 14, 1996

The University of Chicago Law School: Lecture, “Taxation and the Legal Treatment of Homemakers’ Domestic Labor,” Chicago, Illinois, January 18, 1996

The Law and Society Annual Conference: Chair of panel, “The Boundaries of the Law,” Toronto, Ontario, June 4, 1995

The Law and Society Annual Conference: Delivered paper: Turning Labor into Love: The Legal Treatment of Housework, Toronto, Ontario, June 3, 1995

BU Law: Faculty Workshop, The Law of Housework, work-in- progress, May 4, 1995

BU Law: Commentator on Anita Bernstein's, Better Living through Crime and Tort, The Conference on the Crime/Tort Distinction, April 1, 1995

Harvard School of Public Health: Lecture, Theories of Equal Treatment Under Law: The Case of Gender, December 7, 1994

TEACHING

- **only two-time recipient of law school's *Melton Award for Excellence in Teaching, 2004, 2021***
- **recipient of the Boston University Provost Scholar Teacher of the Year Award 2026**

Family Law, S94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 03, 04, F10, 11, 12, 13, S16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26

Torts, F93, 94, 95, 97, 98, 00, 03, 04, S07, F08, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20x3, 22x2, 23, 24, 25, 26

Youth and the Law, S24, S26

Education Law and Policy, F09, F10, F11, F12, S14, S16, S17, S18, S19, S20, S21

Education Law, S09

Legislation, S10, S11, S12, S13, S14

Gender, Law and Policy Colloquium, S09

Employment Law, S01, F06

Employment Discrimination, F01, F02

Women and the Law, S95, F95, S97, S98, F98, F00

Women, Work and Families, F01, S03, S05

SELECT RECENT DEPARTMENT AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University Service:

- Provost's Committee on Evaluating Teaching Assessment, 2025-2026
- Provost's Strategic Planning Committee 2018-2020
- Provost's Search Committee for Dean of the Law School 2017-18

BU Law School Service, *Recent Major Initiatives*:

- Chair, Admissions Committee, 2024-present
- Chair, Committee to address Issues with GPT and Other AI in Legal Education 2023
- 1L Curriculum Committee, 2023-24
- Appointments Committee 2022-24
- Values Committee, 2024-25
- Co-Creator, Faculty Match Student Mentoring Program 2024-present
- Served on Multiple Working Groups to adapt our Education to Pandemic Circumstances, Served as Faculty Teaching Coach to disseminate hybrid techniques 2020 (Dean's Award and Melton Teaching Award for this work)
- Chair, Mentor Committees for multiple tenure-track faculty and clinical-scholars, ongoing
- Chair, Inaugural Outcomes and Assessment Committee, developed the Law School's first Articulated Outcomes; Developed Assessment Plan, 2013-2017

earlier major assignments:

- *Associate Dean for Academic Affairs*, 2004-06
- Chair and Member, JD Curriculum Committee, 2017-19, 2013-15, 2004-06 (+earlier terms)
- Chair, Teaching Committee, 2013-2014

- ABA Site Visit Committee, 2016-2017
- Chair and Member, Melton Prize for Excellence in Teaching Committee, periodically

SELECT MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY

- Drafted 100 Multiple Choice Questions as Formative Assessment for Abrams, et al, CONTEMPORARY FAMILY LAW, 5th edition 2019 (2019-2020)
- Elected Town Meeting Member (3-year terms), Brookline, Mass 2010-2024
- Community Dispute Settlement Center, Basic Mediation Training, F2014
- Cited and quoted in numerous mainstream media including the New York Times, Time Magazine, The Atlantic, the Christian Science Monitor, and The Boston Globe, and multiple appearances on radio and television broadcasts including the News with Shepard Smith (CNBC), O'Reilly Report, the CBS morning show, NBC News, The Huffington Post, The Doctors, and regional and national radio programs including Talk of the Nation (NPR) and A1
- Hosted Fundraisers in 2020 cycle for: Sara Gideon for US Senate from Maine; Carolyn Bordeaux for US House from Georgia GA7; Alan Gross for US Senate from Alaska
- Antibullying Compliance Task Force Brookline MA, Fall 2010, drafted plan for submission to DESE as required by recently passed Massachusetts Antibullying legislation
- MomsRising.org, Advisory Committee drafting model state legislation on Family Responsibility Discrimination, 2007
- Advisory Board Member, Harvard Journal of Law and Gender, 2007 – 2015
- Board of Directors, Executive Committee, The Brookline Education Foundation, raises funds and provides grants to support innovative teaching and professional development in the public schools, 2007-2013, Board of Overseers 2013 - present
- Yes! Brookline Campaign Steering Committee, 2008 (Proposition 2 1/2 override)
- Board of Overseers, The Epiphany School, a tuition-free middle school serving children of low income families in Dorchester 2005-present
- School Council, co-chair, Amos A. Lawrence School, Brookline, Massachusetts, 2008 – 2011 significant input on compliance with mandates of the No Child Left Behind Law and on anti-bullying legislation
- Brookline Extension and Challenge Support Committee, Co-Chair, 2008-2011 (significant input on development of education policy, e.g. grouping practices)
- Co-Chair, Issues & Advocacy Committee, Women's Statewide Legislative Network, 96-97
- Boston Marathon finisher, 2015
- Admitted to the Illinois Bar, 1992 (inactive)

CV up to date as of June 2026