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ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Boston University School of Law, Boston (2022-present)

Director and Lecturer, Health Law Program

Teaching: Health Law Survey Colloquium

Service: Co-Chair, Health Law Program Committee; Co-Faculty Advisor to American Journal of Law and Medicine; Faculty Advisor to the Health Law Concentration

Harvard College (1993-2017)

Guest Instructor, Medicine, Law, and Ethics: An Introduction. Freshman Seminar (2008-2017)

Guest Instructor, Medicine, Law, and Ethics: An Introduction. Upper-class Seminar (2007-2008)

Teaching Assistant, Medicine, Law, and Ethics: An Introduction. Upper-class Seminar (2001-2002, 2002-2003, 2004-2005, 2005-2006, 2006-2007)

Advisory Committee on Pre-Law Advising at Harvard College (by invitation of the Dean of Harvard College) (2002-2003)

Currier House (undergraduate residence)

Interim Co-Master (now "Faculty Dean") (2007-2008)

Chair, Pre-Law Advisory Committee (2000-2007)

Tutor-in-Residence (Pre-Law and Pre-Medicine) (1996-2007)

Non-Resident Tutor (Pre-Law and Pre-Medicine) (1993-1996)

ACADEMIC DEGREES

Boston University School of Law, J.D., cum laude, 1995

Law Review

Honors in Health Law

G. Joseph Tauro Scholar

Edward F. Hennessey Scholar

Oberlin College, A.B., 1978 (English)

AWARDS

Boston University School of Law First Year Alumni Mentor Program (“Mentor of the Year”) Award (2009)

Harvard Certificate for Distinction in Teaching (2007)

PUBLICATIONS AND WORKING PAPERS

Laura Stephens Khoshbin & Shahram Khoshbin, M.D. *Imaging the Mind, Minding the Image: An Historical Introduction to Brain Imaging and Law*, 33 Am. J. L. Med. 171 (2007).

Brett Pangburn, Laura Stephens, Carolyn Wood & Robert L. Sheridan, *Medicolegal Considerations and Duties*, in *Trauma Handbook of the Massachusetts General Hospital* 710 (Robert L. Sheridan, ed., Lippincott Williams & Wilkins 2004).

Laura L. Stephens, Note, *Nonprofit Mergers and Section 7 of the Clayton Act: Closing an Antitrust Loophole*, 75 B.U. L. Rev 477 (1995).

PRESENTATIONS

Boston University School of Law

Panel Member, *In-House Careers Night*. Sponsored by the Career Development Office (2020)

Panel Member, *Women’s Law Alumnae Panel*. Sponsored by the Women’s Law Association (2020)

Panel Member, *Careers in Health Law (1L Career Conference)*. Sponsored by the Office of Career Development (2016)

Panel Member, *Female Alumni Career Panel*. Sponsored by the Women’s Law Association (2015)

Panel Member, *Careers in Health Law*. Sponsored by the Health Law Society (2015)

Panel Member, *Careers in Health Law*. Co-sponsored by the Health Law Society and the Office of Career Development (2009, 2010)

Legal Issues Surrounding the Use of Brain Imaging. Co-Presentation to the Massachusetts Appellate Justices Conference, Weston, Massachusetts, June 19, 2007

Imaging the Mind, Minding the Image: An Historical Introduction to Brain Imaging and Law, 2nd Annual Symposium of the American Journal of Law and Medicine, Boston University School of Law, February 3, 2007

Advance Directives in Massachusetts. Presentation to the Respecting Choices Advance Care Planning Facilitator Course, Massachusetts General Hospital, October 26, 2005

Jehovah’s Witnesses: Medical Alternatives to Blood Transfusion. Panel Member. Massachusetts General Hospital, Department of Anesthesia and Critical Care, May 6, 2004

When Religious and Medical Values Clash: Can an Older Adolescent Decide? Panel Member. Massachusetts General Hospital, Ethics Forum, January 9, 2004

Reproductive Technology and Ethical Concerns. Panel Member. Harvard Medical School,
Women's and Children's Health Clerkship, October 30, 2003

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Association of American Law Schools

Section on Balance and Well-Being in Legal Education
Section on Law, Medicine, and Health Care

Boston Bar Foundation

Steering Committee, BBF annual fundraiser (2009)
Junior Fellow

Boston Bar Association

Health Law Section (2004-present)
Health Law Section Committee on HIPAA: *ad hoc* Subcommittee on HIPAA
and Guardianships (by invitation of the BBA) (2004-2005)
Harvard Medical School Ethics Consortium (2004-2022)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Office of the General Counsel, Mass General Brigham Incorporated, Boston (1997-2022)

Senior Counsel (2007-2022)
Counsel (1999-2007)
Fellow (1997-1999)

Practice focus: General corporate, regulatory, pharmacy, contracting, and charitable tax matters. Practice was fast-paced and required flexibility, tact, and sensitivity to the history and culture of our institutions.

Extensive experience with patient care matters; served for many years as counsel to ethics committees in our hospitals, and to our "attorney on-call" system for emergent after-hours patient cases involving treatment decisions and substitute decision-making (including health care proxies and guardianships).

Supreme Court of Rhode Island, Providence, RI (1995-1997)

Law Clerk to Chief Justice Joseph R. Weisberger