

TIGRAN W. ELDRED

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Boston University School of Law, Boston, MA

Senior Lecturer, Academic Enrichment Program (August 2024-present)

Courses taught: Bar Exam Skills, Professional Responsibility, Professional Responsibility for International LLMS

New England Law| Boston, Boston, MA

Professor of Law, 2015-2024

Associate Professor of Law, 2010-15

Courses taught: Criminal Law, Criminal Defense Ethics, Professional Responsibility, Torts, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, Judgment & Decision Making, Voting Rights

BPP University Law School, London, England

Lecturer on Comparative Criminal Procedure, July 2015

Hofstra University School of Law, Hempstead, NY

Clinical Professor of Law, Criminal Law Clinic, 2009-10

Lewis & Clark Law School, Portland, OR

Clinical Professor, Employment Law Program, Lewis & Clark Legal Clinic, 2006-09

New York University School of Law, New York, NY

Acting Assistant Professor of Lawyering, 2004-06

EDUCATION

Fordham University School of Law, New York, NY

J.D., 1990

Georgetown University, College of Arts and Sciences, Washington, DC

B.A., 1986

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS AND BOOK CHAPTERS

Revisiting Stanley Milgram's Obedience to Authority: An Engaged Followership Perspective on Legal Ethics, in LEADING WORKS IN LEGAL ETHICS (Julian Webb ed., Routledge 2023)

BEYOND THE RULES: BEHAVIORAL LEGAL ETHICS AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
(West Academic Publishing 2021) (co-author)

SCHOLARLY ARTICLES AND ESSAYS

The Perverse Effects of Mandatory Judicial Reporting to Bar Authorities of Ineffective Assistance of Counsel Determinations, 77 WASH. U. J. LAW & POLICY 244 (2025) (co-author)

Innovative Approaches to On-Demand Continuing Legal Education Ethics Training: A Case Study, 72 J. LEGAL EDUC. 502 (2024) (co-author)

Moral Courage in Indigent Defense, 51 NEW ENG. L. REV. 97 (2017)

Insights from Psychology: Teaching Behavioral Legal Ethics as a Core Element of Professional Responsibility, 2016 MICH. ST. L. REV. 757 (2016)

Motivation Matters: Guideline 10.13 and Other Mechanisms for Preventing Lawyers from Surrendering to Self-Interest in Responding to Allegations of Ineffective Assistance in Death Penalty Cases, 42 HOFSTRA L. REV. 473 (2014)

Exploring Tunnel Vision: A Review of Errol Morris, A Wilderness of Error, 16 LEGAL ETHICS 390 (2013)

Prescriptions for Ethical Blindness: Improving Advocacy for Indigent Defendants in Criminal Cases, 65 RUTGERS L. REV. 333 (2012)

The Psychology of Conflicts of Interest in Criminal Cases, 58 KAN. L. REV. 43 (2009)

The Lawyer's Duty of Public Service: More than Charity?, 96 W. VA. L. REV. 367 (1994) (co-author)

Amplifying Bose v. Consumers Union: The Proper Scope of De Novo Appellate Review in Public Person Defamation Actions, 57 FORD. L. REV. 579 (1989)

SHORTER WORKS

Gideon's Promise: A Public Defender Movement to Transform Criminal Justice, RUTGERS CRIMINAL LAW AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE BOOKS (June 2023)

Motivated Reasoning and Legal Ethics, PLI CHRONICLE: INSIGHTS AND PERSPECTIVES FOR THE LEGAL COMMUNITY (June 2021) (co-author)

Judicial Impartiality in an Empirical Era, 70 FLA. L. REV. FORUM 130 (2019)

The Continuing Duty in Reality, 55 AMERICAN CRIM. L. REV. ONLINE 63 (2018) (co-author)

The Established Continuing Duty, 25 THE PROFESSIONAL LAWYER 3 (2018) (Vol. 1) (co-author)

Foreword: Essays on Gideon's Army, 41 NEW ENG. J. ON CRIM. & CIV. CONFINEMENT 1 (2015)

Fact and Fiction: The Hanging Judge by Michael Ponsor, 48 NEW ENG. L. REV. ON REMAND 61 (2014)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS, ROUNDTABLES, AND COLLOQUIA

Presenter, *Ethical Issues in IAC Claims*, Federal Bar Association New Orleans Chapter Summer Seminar CLE, New Orleans, LA (2026)

Presenter, *Ethical Blind Spots and Behavioral Legal Ethics: What Actually Influences Ethical Decision-Making?*, ALAS Annual General Meeting, White Sulphur Springs, W. VA (2025)

Presenter, *Behavioral Legal Ethics: The Impact of Social and Cognitive Biases on Attorney Decision-Making*, 24th Annual Legal Malpractice and Risk Management Conference, Chicago, IL (2025)

Presenter, *The Perverse Effects of Mandatory Judicial Reporting to Bar Authorities of Ineffective Assistance of Counsel Determinations*, Washington University Journal of Law and Policy Symposium (2024) (zoom)

Presenter, *Innovative Approaches to On-Demand Continuing Legal Education Ethics Training: A Case Study*, Symposium on Continuing Legal Education and the Professional Education of Lawyers, Villanova University School of Law, Villanova, PA (2023)

Presenter, *Book Talk Series -- Beyond the Rules: Behavioral Legal Ethics and Professional Responsibility*, University of Arizona School of Law (2022) (zoom)

Presenter, *From Watergate to Insurrection: Fifty Years of Legal Ethics in the U.S.*, AALS Annual Conference, Section on Professional Responsibility (2022) (zoom)

Presenter, *Behavioral Legal Ethics: What Actually Influences the Making of Ethical Decisions?*, PilotLegis Annual Member Conference, Washington DC (2019)

Presenter, *Ethical Considerations Training*, Cape & Islands District Attorney's Office, Hyannis, MA (2018)

Presenter, *Post-Conviction Ethics Issues for Criminal Defense and Prosecution*, ABA's 44th National Conference on Professional Responsibility, Louisville, KY (2018)

Presenter, *Behavioral Legal Ethics: When Good Intentions Go Awry*, Massachusetts Attorney General Institute, Boston, MA (2018)

Presenter, *The Pedagogy of Behavioral Legal Ethics*, Legal Ethics Conference at California Western School of Law, San Diego, CA (2017)

Presenter, *Introduction to Behavioral Legal Ethics*, New England Law Review Symposium, Boston, MA (2016)

Presenter, *Recent Developments and Future Directions in the Study of Behavioral Legal Ethics*, International Legal Ethics Conference, Fordham Law School, New York, NY (2016)

Presenter, *Experiential Approaches to Teaching Behavioral Legal Ethics*, International Legal Ethics Conference, Fordham Law School, New York, NY (2016)

Presenter, *Toward a Deeper Understanding of Conflicts of Interest in Criminal Cases*, Cardozo Ethics Schmooze, New York, NY (2016)

Presenter, *Ethical Blindness*, ABA Summit on Public Defense, San Diego, CA (2016)

Presenter, *Teaching Behavioral Legal Ethics*, CUNY Law School Faculty Colloquium, New York, NY (2015)

Presenter, *Behavioral Legal Ethics*, ABA's 41st National Conference on Professional Responsibility, Denver, CO (2015)

Presenter, *Can Moral Courage Improve Indigent Defense Representation?*, Fordham Law School Criminal Law Workshop, New York, NY (2014)

Presenter, *Navigating Cognitive Biases, Blind Spots, and Cultural Impairments When Balancing Ethical Decision-Making*, Seventh Annual Conclave on Diversity in the Legal Profession, Louisiana Bar Association, New Orleans, LA (2014)

Presenter, *Professional Responsibility Pecha Kucha: The Sequel*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Conference, West Palm Beach, FL (2013)

Presenter, *The Tenth Anniversary of the ABA Capital Defense Guidelines: The Road Traveled and the Road to be Traveled*, Hofstra Law School Symposium, Hempstead, NY (2013)

Presenter, *Tunnel Vision or Fatal Vision: An Essay on A Wilderness of Error: The Trials of Jeffrey MacDonald by Errol Morris*, Law and Society Conference, Boston, MA (2013)

Presenter, *Post-screening Panel on Gideon's Army*, Boston Independent Film Festival, Boston, MA (2013)

Presenter, *Prescriptions for Ethical Blindness: Improving Advocacy for Indigent Defendants in Criminal Cases*, Fifth International Legal Ethics Conference, Banff, Canada (2012)

Presenter, *Ethical Blindness and the Indigent Defender*, Scholarship Roundtable, ABA's 38th National Conference on Professional Responsibility, Boston, MA (2012)

Presenter, *Constitutional Moments, Ethics & Client Perjury*, Law & Society Conference, San Francisco, CA (2011)

Presenter, *Psychology of Conflicts of Interest in Criminal Cases*, Law, Culture & Humanities Conference, Providence, RI (2010)

Presenter, *Defendants Beware: Your Lawyer May Have a Conflict of Interest and Not Even Know It*, NYU Law School Clinical Writer's Workshop, New York, NY (2008)

Presenter, *Serious Play: Experiential Learning in Clinical Education*, Northwest Clinical Conference, Bend, OR (2007)

Presenter, *Dreams and Visions for Clinical Education in the 21st Century*, Northwest Clinical Conference, Leavenworth, WA (2006)

Presenter, *Conflicts of Interest in Criminal Cases*, NYU Lawyering Colloquium, New York, NY (2006)

OTHER SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

Blogging and Podcasting:

- Behavioral Legal Ethics (<https://behaviorallegalethics.wordpress.com>) (co-founder)
- The Continuing Duty (<https://thecontinuingduty.wordpress.com>) (co-founder)
- New England Law Review Faculty Blog (<https://www.newenglrev.com/faculty-blog/the-psychology-of-conflicts-of-interest-in-williams-v-pennsylvania>)
- Ethical Systems (<https://www.ethicalsystems.org/teaching-behavioral-ethics-across-disciplines/>) (December 29, 2014)
- Ethics Unwrapped (<https://ethicsunwrapped.utexas.edu/legal-ethics>) (May 20, 2014)
- New England Law Review Podcast (<https://podcasters.spotify.com/pod/show/on-remand/episodes/Prof--Potpourri-Eldreds-Ethics-e1ng7l3>) (April 23, 2015)

On-Demand Continuing Legal Education:

- *Motivated Reasoning and Legal Ethics*, Practising Law Institute Interactive Learning Center CLE Program (2019; updated 2025) (co-creator)
- *When Good Intentions Go Awry: An Introduction to Behavioral Ethics in a Legal Context*, Practising Law Institute CLE Program (co-creator)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Appellate Advocates, New York, NY

Appellate Counsel, March 2003-04

The Lawyers Committee for Human Rights (Human Rights First), New York, NY

Consultant, Policing Program, 2000-02

National Outreach Director, 1997-2000

The Legal Aid Society, Criminal Appeals Bureau, New York, NY

Appellate Counsel, 1993-94; 1995-97

The Legal Aid Society, Federal Defender Division, Brooklyn, NY

Trial Attorney, 1994-95

Sullivan & Cromwell, New York, NY

Litigation Associate, 1993

Southern District Pro Se Extern, 1991-93

Honorable James L. Oakes, Chief Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, Brattleboro, VT
Law Clerk, 1990-91

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Member of the bars of New York (active) and Oregon (inactive); admitted, U.S. District Court for Oregon and U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York

Member, Defense Committee, Justice Counts, United States Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance (2021-present)

Member, Advisory Board, Legal Initiative for Fortitude & Transformation (2024-present)

Member, Interdisciplinary Outreach Committee, International Legal Ethics Conference VII, Fordham Law School (2016)

Advisor and Founding Board Member, International Legal Foundation (2001-09)

Member, Oregon State Bar, Debtor-Creditor Section Pro Bono Bankruptcy Clinic (2007-09)

Member, Oregon State Bar Client Security Fund (2008-09)

Member, ABA's Criminal Justice Section, Re-Entry Committee (2008-09)

Member, Multnomah Bar Association (2008-09)

Member, Oregon Trial Lawyers Association (2007-09)

Member, New York County Lawyers Association, Criminal Courts Task Force (2004-06)

Member, Federal Bar Council, Public Service Committee (1993-95)

Member, New York State Attorney General's Task Force on Prisoner Litigation (1994)

Member, S.D.N.Y. Committee on Mandatory Discovery in *Pro Se* Prisoner Litigation (1993)