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LEGAL ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Professor of Law:

University of Colorado Law School, Boulder: May 2011 to the present

Associate Professor of Law

University of Colorado Law School, Boulder: January 2001-May 2011

- **Awarded tenure: Spring 2007**
- **Visiting Fellow, Australian National University, College of Law (Canberra, ACT, Australia), 2007-2008**

Courses Taught: Criminal Law; Criminal Procedure (Investigative Phase); Domestic Violence; Gender & Criminal Justice Seminar; Gender, Law & Public Policy Seminar; History of Anglo-American Criminal Justice.

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

Clerk to the Honorable Marilyn Hall Patel

Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of California, San Francisco, CA: 1999-2000

Clerk to the Honorable Paul J. Kelly, Jr.

United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, Santa Fe, NM: 1998-1999

EDUCATION

Stanford Law School: J.D. with Distinction, June 1998

- Articles Editor, *Stanford Law Review*.
- Extern, Office of the United States Attorney, Criminal Division, Northern District of California.

Stanford University: M.A. in History, June 1991

- Completed coursework and qualifying exam for Ph.D. in History with Distinction.

University of California, Irvine: B.A. in History, June 1990

- *Summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa (junior year), Dean's List during all quarters.

SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS

Works in Progress (not yet published):

HOUSES OF PAIN: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND LEGAL INTERVENTION IN THE UNITED STATES, 1870-1994 (working title) (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming).

Selected Publications in Law Reviews:

Against Domestic Violence: Public and Private Prosecution of Batterers, 13 CALIFORNIA LAW REVIEW CIR. 45-71 (2022) (symposium).

Women's Votes, Women's Voices, and the Limits of Criminal Justice Reform, 1911-1950, 92 UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO LAW REVIEW 829-875 (2021).

Firearms in the Family, 78 OHIO STATE LAW JOURNAL 1257-1343 (2017) (lead article).

The Stereotyped Offender: Domestic Violence and the Failure of Intervention, 120 PENN STATE LAW REVIEW 337-420 (2015) (lead article).

The Exit Myth: Family Law, Gender Roles, and Changing Attitudes toward Female Victims of Domestic Violence, 20 MICHIGAN JOURNAL OF GENDER & LAW 1-32 (2013) (lead article), reprinted in Tracy Thomas, WOMEN AND THE LAW (Thomson Reuters, 2014).

A Diva Defends Herself: Gender and Domestic Violence in an Early Twentieth-Century Headline Trial, 55 ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY LAW JOURNAL 1347-1367 (2011) (invited symposium).

Domestic Violence and State Intervention in the American West and Australia, 1860-1930, 86 INDIANA LAW JOURNAL 185-256 (2011).

Provoking Change: Comparative Insights on Feminist Homicide Law Reform, 100 JOURNAL OF CRIMINAL LAW AND CRIMINOLOGY 33-106 (2010).

Restructuring the Debate over Fetal Homicide Laws, 67 OHIO STATE LAW JOURNAL 721-782 (2006) (lead article).

Intimate Homicide: Gender and Crime Control, 1880-1920, 77 UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO LAW REVIEW 101-191 (2006).

Homicide on Holiday: Prosecutorial Discretion, Popular Culture, and the Boundaries of the Criminal Law, 54 HASTINGS LAW JOURNAL 1641-1703 (2003).

The Discretionary Power of "Public" Prosecutors in Historical Perspective, 39 AMERICAN CRIMINAL LAW REVIEW 1309-1393 (2002) (lead article).

Peer-Refereed Shorter Publications:

Commentary, *People v. Berry*, FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: REWRITTEN CRIMINAL LAW OPINIONS 26-33 (I. Bennett Capers, Sarah Deer, and Corey Yung, eds.) (Cambridge Univ. Press, 2023).

In the Sweat Box: A Historical Perspective on the Detention of Material Witnesses, 6 OHIO STATE JOURNAL OF CRIMINAL LAW 681-709 (2009).

Was the Bill of Rights Irrelevant to Nineteenth Century State Criminal Procedure?, 18 JOURNAL OF CONTEMPORARY LEGAL ISSUES 501-512 (2009) (invited symposium).

Criminal Law: United States Law, in OXFORD INTERNATIONAL ENCYCLOPEDIA OF LEGAL HISTORY 287-295, Stanley N. Katz, ed. (New York: Oxford University Press, 2009).

Public Responses to Intimate Violence: A Glance at the Past, 121 PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS 460-463 (2006).

Published Book Reviews

Review of David Lemmings, *Crime, Courtrooms and the Public Sphere in Britain, 1700-1850*, CRIMINAL LAW AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE BOOKS website (maintained by Rutgers School of Law-Newark and Rutgers School of Criminal Justice) (January 2014).

Review of Mike McConville & Chester Mirsky, *Jury Trials and Plea Bargaining: A True History*, 25 LAW AND HISTORY REVIEW 446-448 (2007).

PRESENTATIONS

Select Presentations

Presenter, *Gender Anxiety, the Medicalization of Domestic Violence, and the Decline of Paternalism in Mid-Twentieth-Century America*, on “Gender Disrupters: Women, Professional Authority, and Legal Liberalism in the 19th and 20th Centuries” panel, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado, June 2024.

Presenter, *Gender Anxiety, the Medicalization of Domestic Violence, and the Decline of Paternalism in Mid-Twentieth-Century America*, “Legal Histories of American Governance: Institutions and the State” Conference, Stanford Law School, April 2024.

Presenter, “Celebration of Lawrence M. Friedman” Conference, Stanford Law School, January 2023.

Presenter, Faculty Talks Series, Center for Critical Thought, University of Colorado, Boulder, March 2021.

Presenter, *Women's Votes, Women's Voices, and the Limits of Criminal Justice Reform, 1911-1950*, "Historical Perspectives on the Nineteenth Amendment" panel, 28th Annual Ira C. Rothgerber Conference on Women's Enfranchisement: Beyond the Nineteenth Amendment, University of Colorado Law School, April 2020.

Presenter, *Abused Women as Criminal Homicide Defendants in Twentieth Century California*, "Female Killers in the Twentieth Century: Gender, Modernity and Punishment in Comparative Perspective" panel, American Historical Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY, January 2020.

Presenter, *Firearms in the Family*, and Discussant, "Triggered: Guns and the Discourse of Defiance in the Long Eighteenth Century" panel, American Society for Eighteenth Century Studies Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, January 2019.

Moderator, *Public Safety and Criminal Justice Reform* panel, University of Colorado Law School, April 2018.

Presenter, *Firearms in the Family*, "Beyond Violence: A Look into Violence and Equality" panel, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Mexico City, Mexico, June 2017.

Discussant, "Gender Roles and the State" panel, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Mexico City, Mexico, June 2017.

Presenter, *Firearms in the Family*, UCI Initiative to End Family Violence Annual Conference on "The Politicization of Safety," University of California, Irvine, April 2017.

Presenter, *Domestic Violence, Guns, and Gun Control*, Roundtable on "Guns and Violence in American History," American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Denver Colorado, January 2017.

Presenter, *The Stereotyped Offender: Domestic Violence and the Failure of Intervention*, "Reimagining Families and Domestic Violence Law" Panel, Ninth Annual Feminist Legal Theory Conference on "Applied Feminism Today," University of Baltimore School of Law, March 2016.

Presenter, "Implicit Bias in Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Cases" panel, Colorado State Judicial Conference, Vail, Colorado, September 2015.

Presenter, *The Stereotyped Offender: Domestic Violence and the Failure of Intervention*, Colorado Law Summer Works-in-Progress Workshop, July 2015.

Presenter, *The Stereotyped Offender: Domestic Violence and the Failure of Intervention*, "Violence Against Women" panel, AALS Mid-Year Conference on Next Generation Issues of Sex, Gender, and Law, Orlando, Florida, June 2015.

Presenter, *The Stereotyped Offender: Domestic Violence and the Failure of Intervention*, "Legal Responses to Domestic Violence" panel, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington, May 2015.

Chair, "Institutional Responses to Gendered Violence" panel, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington, May 2015.

Presenter, *The Exit Myth: Family Law, Gender Roles, and Changing Attitudes Toward Female Victims of Domestic Violence*, "The Feminist Influence on Criminal Law: Past, Present, and Future" conference, University of Colorado Law School, April 2013.

Organizer and Commentator, "Re-thinking State Intervention in Intimate-Partner Violence" panel, AALS Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 2013.

Presenter, *Journalists and Gendered Violence: Newspaper Coverage of Intimate-Partner Abuse, 1870-1970*, "Media, Crime, and the Law: Assessing the Role of the Media in Framing Crime and the Anglo-American Legal Process" panel, American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting, St. Louis, Missouri, November 2012.

Presenter, *The Exit Myth: Family Law, Gender Roles, and Changing Attitudes Toward Female Domestic Violence Victims*, "Intimate Relationships and the State: Reconsidering the Trope of Separate Spheres" panel, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 2012.

Presenter, *Intimate-Partner Violence and State Intervention: A New Historical Perspective*, 37th Annual Austin W. Scott, Jr. Lecture, University of Colorado Law School, November 2011.

Presenter, *A Diva Defends Herself: Gender and Domestic Violence in an Early Twentieth-Century Headline Trial*, Richard J. Childress Memorial Lecture event in honor of Professor Lawrence M. Friedman, Saint Louis University School of Law, September 2010.

Chair and Commentator, Author-Meets-Reader panel on a legal history book manuscript by Professor Donald Dripps, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, May 2010.

Presenter, *Domestic Violence and State Intervention in the American West and Australia, 1860-1930*, "Children and Families in Criminal Law" panel, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, May 2010.

Presenter, *Provoking Change: Comparative Insights on Feminist Homicide Law Reform*, Berkeley Center for Criminal Justice, U.C. Berkeley School of Law, November 2009.

Presenter, *Violence and Respectability: Intimate-Partner Homicide in Australia and the American West, 1860-1930*, "Gendered Murder on Trial" panel, American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting, Dallas, Texas, November 2009.

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Presenter, *Provoking Change: Comparative Insights on Feminist Homicide Law Reform*, Southwest Criminal Law Scholars Conference, University of Arizona, October 2009.

Presenter, *Provoking Change: Comparative Insights on Feminist Homicide Law Reform*, “Criminal Law: Comparative Perspectives” panel, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado, May 2009.

Chair, “Gender and Justice in Courts and Families,” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado, May 2009.

Presenter, *Provoking Change: Comparative Insights on Feminist Homicide Law Reform*, Faculty Research Workshop, University of Colorado Law School, February 2009.

Commentator, *Was the Bill of Rights Irrelevant to Nineteenth Century State Criminal Procedure?*, “The Fourteenth Amendment and the Bill of Rights: What Have We Learned? Why Does it Matter?” Conference, University of San Diego Law School, January 2009.

Presenter, *Scrutinizing the Historical Basis of Material Witness Detention*, Center for Law, History, and Culture, University of Southern California, Gould School of Law, April 2007.

Guest Blogger, The Volokh Conspiracy, November 2006 (invited to blog about my historical research on intimate-partner homicide on a site which then averaged about 25,000 hits per day).

Presenter, *Restructuring the Debate over Fetal Homicide Laws*, Faculty Research Workshop, University of Colorado Law School, July 2006.

Presenter, *Methodology Wars: Historians’ Approaches to Criminal Law*, Faculty Brown Bag, University of Colorado Law School, August 2005.

Presenter, *Intimate Homicide: Gender and Crime Control, 1880-1920*, Faculty Research Workshop, University of Colorado Law School, January 2005.

Presenter, *Gender, Civility, and Crime Control in the Metropolis, 1880-1920*, “Crime, Prosecution, and Politics in Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century New York City” panel, American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting, Austin, Texas, October 2004.

Chair, “Law and the Formation of American Culture” panel, Rocky Mountain Interdisciplinary History Conference, University of Colorado, September 2003.

Presenter, *Dangerous Games: Prosecutorial Discretion, Popular Culture, and the Boundaries of the Criminal Law*, Center for International Legal Studies Conference on International Criminal Justice and White-Collar Crime, Steamboat Springs, Colorado, February 2003.

Commentator, Conference on Law, Family, and State Organization in the Early Modern Atlantic World, University of Wisconsin Law School, November 2002.

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Commentator, Works-in-Progress Colloquium, University of Colorado Department of History, April 2002.

Presenter, *The Discretionary Power of “Public” Prosecutors in Historical Perspective*, Faculty Colloquium, University of Colorado Law School, February 2002.

Conferences Organized:

Co-organizer (with Ben Levin), Symposium on *Against Prosecutors*, CALIFORNIA LAW REVIEW CIRCUIT, Fall 2022.

Co-organizer (with Suzette Malveaux, Ming Hsu Chen, & Scott Skinner-Thompson), 28th Annual Ira C. Rothgerber Conference on Women’s Enfranchisement: Beyond the Nineteenth Amendment, University of Colorado Law School, April 2020.

Assisted in organizing (with Aya Gruber and Kristen Carpenter), The Feminist Influence on Criminal Law Conference, University of Colorado Law School, April 2013.

Co-organizer (with Professor Sam Kamin), Second Annual Southwest Criminal Law Scholars Conference, University of Colorado and Denver University Law Schools, August 2010.

Co-organizer (with Professor Bruce Smith) and Commentator, Cautions and Confessions: *Miranda v. Arizona* after 40 Years Conference, University of Colorado Law School, October 2006.

UNIVERSITY AND LAW SCHOOL SERVICE

Service to the University of Colorado, Boulder:

Member, Provost's Advisory Committee (2019): reviewed, investigated, and advised the Provost on faculty grievances brought at the CU-Boulder campus level

Member, Salary Equity Appeals Committee (2019)

Member, Vice Chancellor's Advisory Committee (2015-2017): reviewed and voted on promotion and tenure cases at the University level.

Member, NCAA Athletics Gender Equity Subcommittee, University of Colorado (Spring 2010).

Co-founder (with Professor Mike Radelet) of the Interdisciplinary Crime, Law, and Policy Working Group (2006-2010).

Dissertation Committees:

Department of History, University of Colorado:

- John Dwyer (Ph.D., 2001)

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- Anne Vonhof (Ph.D. candidate, 2004-)
- Informally assisted Diana DiStefano (Ph.D., 2007) by reading and commenting on several chapters of her dissertation.

Department of Sociology, University of Colorado:

- Tara Opsal (Ph.D., 2008)
- Devon Thacker Thomas (Ph.D., 2013)

Selected Service to the University of Colorado Law School:

Evaluations Committee (2024-25, 2020-21, 2014-15, Fall 2013, 2011-2012, 2008-2009)

Appointments Committee (2023-24)

Judicial Clerkship Advising Committee (Chair, 2019-2020, 2009-2017, 2003-2007; Member, 2022-23, Fall 2021, 2017-18, 2001-2003)

Faculty Salary Peer Review Committee (2020-21, 2019-20)

Faculty Mentor to First Year Law Students (2022-23, 2014-2017)

Mentor to Pre-Tenure Faculty (recently: Jonathon Booth, Amanda Parsons, Ben Levin)

28th Annual Ira C. Rothgerber Conference Planning Committee (2019-2020)

Appointments Committee, Natural Resources Clinic Search Subcommittee (2010)

Building Campaign Committee (Spring 2006)

Assistant Dean Search Committee (Fall 2005)

Academic and Student Affairs Committee (2003-2006)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND NATIONAL SERVICE

Reporter for the Criminal Pattern Jury Instructions Committee, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit (2014-2017).

American Association of Law Schools

- Chair, Criminal Justice Section (2014)
- Chair Elect, Criminal Justice Section (2013)
- Secretary, Criminal Justice Section (2012)
- Executive Committee, Criminal Justice Section (2011, 2015)

American Society for Legal History

- Program Committee and Local Arrangement Committee, 2014 Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado

Ad hoc manuscript reviewer (law reviews, university presses, trade presses)

Admitted to practice, California Bar (inactive).

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND HONORS

2018-19 Gilbert Goldstein Faculty Research Fellowship (one-semester teaching reduction awarded to facilitate progress on scholarly research).

Graduate Committee on the Arts and Humanities Research Grant, December 2017 (merit-based award supporting travel and lodging for sabbatical research in California archives).

37th Annual Austin W. Scott, Jr. Lecture, University of Colorado Law School, November 2011 (presented lecture entitled *Intimate-Partner Violence and State Intervention: A New Historical Perspective*).

2007 Jules Milstein Faculty Scholarship Award, for *Intimate Homicide: Gender and Crime Control, 1880-1920*, 77 UNIV. COLORADO LAW REVIEW 101-191 (2006) (received annual award recognizing excellence in scholarship by a member of the University of Colorado Law School Faculty).