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EDUCATION

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, Cambridge, Massachusetts

J.D. *cum laude*, 1995

Activities/Honors: Appointed to Board of Student Advisors
INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL, staff

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, East Lansing, Michigan

B.A. *with highest honors*, American Public Affairs, 1992

National Honors: Harry S. Truman Scholarship Recipient
Named One of the Top Ten College Women for Academic

Achievement in the Areas of Politics and National Affairs
in a
National Search Conducted by GLAMOUR Magazine,
1991.

Academic Honors: *Phi Beta Kappa*
Phi Kappa Phi (awarded to top 7.5% of college juniors)
Vice-President, Mortar Board Honor Society (selected on
basis of
academic achievement and service)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW, Atlanta, Georgia

Associate Professor, August 2006-present.

Assistant Professor, August 2003-July 2006.

Visiting Professor, August 2002 - July 2003.

Instructor, Research, Writing & Advocacy, August 1999 - May 2002.

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Teaching Assistant, Legal Research and Writing, Ames Moot Court, August
1993-
March 1994.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Disability Law; Education Law; Employment Law; Tort Law

PUBLICATIONS

Playing God: The Legality of Plans Denying People with Disabilities Scarce Resources in Public Health Emergencies, ____ FLORIDA LAW REVIEW ____ (forthcoming 2011) (with Leslie Wolf).

Private School Vouchers for Students with Disabilities: The Future of Special Education?, 39 JOURNAL OF LAW & EDUCATION 291 (2010).

Rights Resurgence: The Impact of the ADA Amendments Act on Schools and Universities, 25 GEORGIA STATE LAW REVIEW 641 (2009) (special disability law volume).

The Disability Dilemma: A Skeptical Bench & Bar, 69 UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH LAW REVIEW 637 (2008).

Sharing the Short Bus: Eligibility and Identity Under the IDEA, 58 HASTINGS LAW JOURNAL 1147 (2007).

The Disabling Impact of Wrongful Birth and Wrongful Life Actions, 55 DEFENSE LAW JOURNAL REVIEW 751 (2006) (republished with permission from the HARVARD CIVIL RIGHTS-CIVIL LIBERTIES JOURNAL).

Bridging the Physical-Mental Gap: An Empirical Assessment of the Impact of Mental Illness Stigma on ADA Outcomes, 73 TENNESSEE LAW REVIEW 47 (2005) (with Gregory Todd Jones).

The Disabling Impact of Wrongful Birth and Wrongful Life Actions, 40 HARVARD CIVIL RIGHTS-CIVIL LIBERTIES LAW REVIEW 141 (2005).

Interacting With Others: A Major Life Activity Under the Americans with Disabilities Act?, 2002 WISCONSIN LAW REVIEW 1139 (December 2002).

Wrongful Discharge, 6 INTERNATIONAL LEGAL STRATEGY 4 (1997) (with J. Cletus McGinty).

COLLECTED WORKS

The Disability Dilemma: A Skeptical Bench & Bar, RIGHTS OF THE DISABLED (Sonia Katoch, ed.) (ICFAI University Press) (forthcoming 2010).

A Call to Action for the Legal Academy; CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS OF THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION'S SECOND NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE EMPLOYMENT OF LAWYERS WITH DISABILITIES, June 16, 2009.

Vouchers for Students with Disabilities, SIXTH COMMONWEALTH EDUCATION LAW CONFERENCE -- CRITICAL ISSUES IN EDUCATION LAW AND POLICY 137 (LexisNexis 2008).

NON-ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Upgrades to ADA Product of Bipartisan Cooperation, ATLANTA JOURNAL-CONSTITUTION, October 6, 2008, at A8.

Voucher Bill Ignores System Abuse, Costs, ATLANTA JOURNAL-CONSTITUTION, January 31, 2007, at A19.

WORKS-IN-PROGRESS

The Case For Inclusive Eligibility Under the IDEA, RIGHTING EDUCATIONAL WRONGS: DISABILITY STUDIES IN LAW & EDUCATION (Arlene Kanter, ed.) (under review by Syracuse University Press)

Accommodating Limitations in Higher Education: The Legitimacy of ADA Eligibility for Students with Low(er) Intelligence

HONORS AND AWARDS

Patricia T. Morgan Faculty Award for Outstanding Scholarship, April 2010.

Honorable Mention, Patricia T. Morgan Faculty Award for Outstanding Scholarship,
April 2009.

PRESENTATIONS

The Progression of Legal Education; Harvard Law School's Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Board of Student Advisors; Cambridge, Massachusetts; October 9, 2010 (invited; partially funded).

Playing God: The Legality of Plans Restricting People with Disabilities from Scarce

Resources in Public Health Emergencies; GSU Center for Research on Atypical Learning & Development, Atlanta, Georgia; September 27, 2010.

Playing God: The Legality of Plans Restricting People with Disabilities from Scarce

Resources in Public Health Emergencies; International Disability Studies Conference; Lancaster University; Lancaster, England; September 7, 2010 (invited).

Playing God: The Legality of Plans Restricting People with Disabilities from Scarce

Resources in Public Health Emergencies; Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting; Atlanta, Georgia; August 13, 2010 (invited).

Playing God: The Legality of Plans Restricting People with Disabilities from Scarce

Resources in Public Health Emergencies; Law and Society Annual Meeting; Chicago, Illinois; May 30, 2010 (invited).

Keynote: Implications of the ADA Amendments for Disability Services; Accommodating

Students with Low(er) Intelligence: An ADA Mandate?; Annual Meeting of Disability Services Coordinators for the University System of Georgia; Macon, Georgia; November 11, 2009 (invited; funded; honorarium).

Olmstead: The Long Road Home (Moderator & Co-Organizer); Perspectives on *Olmstead v. L.C.* Ten Years Later (Symposium); Atlanta, Georgia; October 23, 2009.

Current Issues in Disability Law and Policy; Southeastern Association of Law Schools'

Annual Conference; Palm Beach, Florida; August 3, 2009 (invited).

The Transition from Law Student to Lawyer: Reasonable Accommodations in Law

School and at Work; American Bar Association's Second National Conference on the Employment of Lawyers with Disabilities; Washington, D.C.; June 16, 2009 (invited; funded).

The Dilemma of Private School Vouchers for Students with Disabilities; 9th Annual

Conference on Disability Studies in Education; Syracuse College of Law; Syracuse, New York; May 3, 2009 (invited).

Rights Resurgence: The Impact of the ADA Amendments Act on Schools and Universities; The Center for Research on Atypical Learning and Development; Georgia State University; Atlanta, Georgia; April 17, 2009.

Disability Discrimination in the 21st Century; The Galloway School; Atlanta, Georgia; February 19, 2009 (invited).

Keynote: The Impact of the ADA Amendments on Education Law; Schools and College Law Section Annual Meeting, Georgia State Bar; Atlanta, Georgia; January 8, 2009 (invited).

Relevance and Reform: Private School Vouchers for Students with Disabilities; 54th Annual Education Law Association Conference; San Antonio, Texas; November 20, 2008 (invited).

Private School Vouchers for Students with Disabilities: The Future of Special Education?; 15th Annual Education Law Conference; Portland, Maine; July 30, 2008 (invited).

Private School Vouchers: Positive or Negative Trend?; 6th Commonwealth Education Law Conference; Richmond, Virginia; April 25, 2008 (invited).

National Trends in Special Education and Juvenile Justice; Council for Children with Behavioral Disorders; Dallas, Texas; October 6, 2007 (invited).

The Disability Dilemma: A Skeptical Bench and Bar; Emory Law School's Lawyers and Disabilities Symposium; Atlanta, Georgia; September 6, 2007 (invited; honorarium).

Eligibility and Identity Under the IDEA; John Marshall Law School; Atlanta, Georgia; March 28, 2007 (invited).

Sharing the Short Bus: Challenges to IDEA Eligibility; The Center for Research on Atypical Learning and Development; Georgia State University; Atlanta, Georgia; February 16, 2007.

Eligibility and Identity Under the IDEA; Hastings Law Journal's National Disability Law Symposium; San Francisco, California; February 3, 2007 (invited; funded).

Getting the Right IDEA: An Overview of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta; Atlanta, Georgia; September & October 2006 (invited).

Rethinking Wrongful Life from a Therapeutic Jurisprudence Approach; Southeastern Association of American Law Schools Conference; Hilton Head, North Carolina; August 2004.

The Disabling Impact of Wrongful Birth and Wrongful Life; The Center for Research on Atypical Development and Learning; Georgia State University; Atlanta, Georgia; April 2004.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

ALSTON & BIRD LLP, Atlanta, Georgia

Associate, August 1996 to May 1999; **Summer Associate**, 1994 & 1995.

Engaged in practice focusing on labor and employment counseling and litigation matters for national client base; developed and revised contracts and workplace policies; handled all aspects of litigation, arbitration and alternative dispute resolution proceedings.

U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE ORINDA D. EVANS, Atlanta, Georgia

Law Clerk, August 1995 to July 1996.

Assisted with the disposition of civil and criminal matters pending before the court, including trials and hearings; engaged in extensive legal research and writing; drafted memoranda and judicial opinions.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT, Washington, D.C.

Intern to the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice, August 1991 to December 1991.

Coordinated efforts to assist newly emerging Eastern European judicial systems; developed and implemented court administrative policies; assisted with the investiture of Justice Clarence Thomas.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Executive Committee, Center for Research on Atypical Development and Learning, Georgia State University, Fall 2009-present; **Member**, Fall 2005-Spring 2009.

Faculty Affiliate, Center for Leadership in Disability, Georgia State University, Spring 2009-present.

Member, Provost Search Committee, Georgia State University, Spring 2009-Summer 2009.

Member, University Disability Initiatives Committee, Georgia State University, Summer 2007-present.

Member, University Task Force for ADA Repair Priorities, Georgia State University, Fall 2007-Spring 2008.

Member, University Committee on Web Accessibility, Georgia State University, Spring 2004-Spring 2006.

COLLEGE OF LAW SERVICE

Vice Chair, Faculty Recruitment Committee; Fall 2010; **Member**, Fall 2008-Spring 2009; Fall 2005-Spring 2007.

Founding Chair, Scholarship Advancement Colloquium, Fall 2008-present.

Member, Dean's Advisory Committee, Fall 2009-present; Spring 2007.

Member, Judicial Clerkship Committee; Fall 2009-present.

Member, Faculty Development Committee, Fall 2004-Spring 2010.

Member, Student Affairs Committee, Fall 2007-Spring 2008.

Member, Curriculum Committee, Fall 2003-Spring 2004.

Member, Technology Committee, Fall 2003-Spring 2004.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Executive Committee, Disability Law Section, the Association of American Law Schools; January 2006 – January 2008.

Board of Directors, Coralwood Foundation; Atlanta, Georgia; August 2006-May 2008.

Member, Advocates for Students with Disabilities Committee; Young Lawyer's Division, State Bar of Georgia; 2004-2008.

Consultant, Georgia Hospital Association. Assisted the GHA in developing and administering a state-wide voluntary compliance program for hospitals under the Americans with Disabilities Act and Title VII. 1998-99.