

CURRICULA VITAE

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EMPLOYMENT

Current

Professor, The John Marshall Law School

Illinois

Dean, The John Marshall Law School, Spring 1995-Summer 2003

Acting Dean, The John Marshall Law School, Fall 1994-Spring, 1995

Professor of Law; The John Marshall Law School 1975-current

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, The John Marshall Law School, Fall 1988-Fall 1994

Associate Professor and Director of Legal Methods Program, The John Marshall Law School, Spring 1966-Fall 1969

Instructor (part-time), The John Marshall Law School, Fall 1963-Spring 1966

Legal Counsel: The Law Office of Herbert L. Caplan, Fall 1961-Fall 1966

Legal Editor, Commerce Clearinghouse, 1960-1961

Hawaii

Visiting Professor, University of Hawaii School of Law, Summer 1976;
(Seminar on Native Hawaiian Rights).

Private practice of law in Hawaii: General practice with emphasis on major litigation; children's cases in family court and consultant to social service agencies; administrative hearings; and lobbying in state legislature, Spring 1973-Fall 1975.

Reporter: The Penal Procedures Project of Hawaii (Reviewing Hawaii's criminal law and procedures and drafting proposed rules with explanatory commentaries), Winter 1972-Spring 1973.

Executive Director: Hawaii Legal Services Project, Spring 1970-Winter 1972.

Director of Litigation & Training Officer, Legal Aid Society of Hawaii, Fall 1969-Spring 1970.

PRACTICE

Licensed to Practice

Federal Courts

United States Supreme Court
United States Court of Appeals, Seventh and Ninth Circuits
United States District Courts for the Northern District of Illinois and for the District of Hawaii

State Courts

Illinois
Hawaii

Areas of Practice

Constitutional and Tort Litigation; Children's Rights; Native Hawaiian Rights; and Community Group Representation.

Representative Litigation

Wakinekona v. Olim, 461 U.S. 238 (1981), a case involving prisoner's rights, commented on in 97 Harv.L.R. 103, and various other journals.

Quilici v. Morton Grove, 695 F.2d 261 (7th Cir. 1982), a case involving the right to retain arms, commented on in 60 Wash.L.R. 1087 and various other journals.

Geist v. Martin, 675 F.2d 859 (7th Cir. 1981), a case involving application of the prima facie tort theory to retaliatory termination of contract, commented on in 26 Trial Lawyers Guide 443.

Smith v. Pena, 621 F.2d 873 (7th Cir. 1980), a case in which the Illinois dram shop statute based on standard of strict liability was applied under the Federal Tort Claims Act using a common law standard of negligence, commented on 57 Chi-Kent L.R. 499.

Gross v. Ariyoshi, Circuit Court, 1st Dist., Honolulu, Hawaii (1978), a case in which the state of Hawaii was required to redo all its services for the mentally retarded.

Akau v. Mauna Kea Beach Resort Hotel, Circuit Court, 2nd Dist., Hilo, Hawaii (1976), a case in which the hotel was required to provide public access to the beaches in front of its property.

Public Service Activities

Counsel, In the Matter of Handong International Law School, Korea, filed in Illinois Supreme Court 2007, petition to allow graduates of Handong to take Illinois bar: denied.

Counsel, In the Matter of Handong International Law School, Korea, filed in Hawaii Supreme Court 2007, petition to allow graduates of Handong to take Hawaii bar: denied.

Legal Consultant, Chicago Police Department, 2006, regarding high speed chases and street arrests.

Academic Advisor to Frank C. Morrissey Scholars, The John Marshall Law School, 2007 to present.

Academic Advisor to Review of Intellectual Property Law, The John Marshall Law School, 2005 to present.

Conference Co-Organizer and Underwriter, "Multiple Perspectives on Domestic Violence," sponsored by The John Marshall Law School, Spring 2005.

Conference Organizer and Speaker, "Therapeutic Justice," cosponsored by the Chicago Bar Association and The John Marshall Law School, Fall 2004.

Speaker, The John Marshall Law School, Back to Basics: Professional Responsibility, Sumer 2007, Fall 2007 and Summer 2008

Jiling University, Manchuria, China, Speaker, Admission to the Legal Profession and the Regulation of Lawyers, 18 April 2004.

Speaker, Center for Intellectual Property, Beijing, China at Ten-Year Celebration of Collaboration Between the Center and The John Marshall Law School.

Conference Organizer, "Learning the Legislative Ropes: Lobbying in Illinois," co-sponsored by The John Marshall Law School and Chicago Bar Association at The John Marshall Law School, Fall 2003.

Associate Judges Conference, Reporter (prepared paper on DUI procedures), 1990.

Illinois Judicial Conference, Reporter (prepared papers on expert witnesses and discovery sanctions), 1990.

Associate Judges Conference, Reporter (prepared papers on expert witnesses and on discovery sanctions and panelist), 1990.

Illinois Judicial Regional Conferences, Reporter – Lisle and Peoria (prepared and presented paper on absolute liability and on expert witnesses), 1991.

Illinois Judicial Regional Conference, Reporter – Peoria and Oak Brook (prepared papers and panelist on strict and absolute liability), 1991.

Associate Judges Conference, Reporter (prepared papers on pretrial motion practice and pleadings), 1991.

Illinois Judicial Conference, Reporter (prepared a paper on pretrial practice and panelist), 1991.

Associate Judges Conference Reporter (prepared papers on jury selection, expert witnesses, and various pretrial procedural problems and panelist), 1992.

Illinois Judicial Conference, Reporter (prepared paper and panelist on experts and computers), 1992.

Illinois Judicial Regional Conference, Reporter – Urbana (prepared papers on experts, jury selection, motions to vacate, and finality and panelist on civil trials), 1992, updated 1994.

Illinois Appellate Judges Conference, Reporter (prepared and presented paper on writing judicial opinions), 1993.

Illinois Judicial Regional Conference, Reporter-Bloomington (prepared and presented papers on special remedies), 1995.

Illinois Judicial Regional Conference – Bloomington (prepared and presented paper on miscellaneous remedies and declaratory actions) 2001.

Illinois Judicial Regional Conference – Springfield (prepared and presented paper on contempt), 2002.

American Association of College Registrars and Admission Officers (speaker on legal aspects of record keeping), 1989.

Panelist and presenter, IICLE Conference, “Motions to Vacate and Finality,” 1990.

National Bar Examiners Midwest Regional Conference, Roundtable Panelist, (admissions to the bar), 1992.

American Association of College Registrars and Admission Officers, Speaker (students with special needs and problems), 1990.

American Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers, Speaker on the problem student in the admissions and registration process and on AIDS on campus, 1990.

Jefferson Inn, American Inns of Court, Presenter (workshop on ethical and malpractice problems on the use of expert witnesses), 1990 [with Kandaras].

Jefferson Inn, American Inns of Court, Presenter (workshop on ethical problems in estate planning for HIV infected clients), 1991 [with Kandaras].

Principal Speaker, Roscoe Pound Institute conference, San Francisco, California on Controversies Surrounding Discovery and Its Effect on the Courts, Summer, 1999.

Speaker, Council of Native Hawaiian Organizations, Kamehameha School, Hawaii on Hawaiian Sovereignty, Summer 1994.

Speaker, Republic of Korea, Seoul at International Conference on Business, Technology & Intellectual Property in IT Age on the “Future of American Legal Education” and “Organization and Jurisdiction of American Courts”, Spring 2001.

Speaker, Republic of Korea, Pohang, at Handong University on “Ethics,” Spring 2001.

Speaker, Peoples Republic of China, Shenyang and Shanghai, Rule of Law Workshop on “American Judicial System” and “Legal Ethics,” Spring 2000.

Speaker, People’s Republic of China, Beijing at Center for Intellectual Property Training, on “Jurisdiction of the Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit,” Spring, 1999.

Lecturer, Peoples Republic of China, Hangzhou at Zheijang University in on “The Role of a Lawyer in the United States Legal System,” in December 1995.

Lecturer, Peoples Republic of China, Beijing at Patent Office on “Jurisdiction of Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit,” in November 1995.

Speaker, Czech Republic, Brno at conference co-sponsored by Masaryk University and The John Marshall Law School on “Access to Government Records” and “Free Speech vs. Politically Correct Speech,” Fall 1994.

Speaker, Czech Republic, Brno, conference co-sponsored by Masaryk University and The John Marshall Law School on “Legislative Ethics” and “Academic Ethics”, Fall 1996.

Speaker, Czech Republic, Prague, conference sponsored by Prague Bar Association at St. Charles University, “Professionalism,” Fall 2000.

Speaker, Czech Republic, Prague, conference sponsored by Prague Bar Association at its offices, “Jury Verdicts,” Fall 2002.

Speaker, Czech Republic, Brno, conference co-sponsored by Masaryk University Law School and The John Marshall Law School on “Jury Trials and Verdicts,” Fall 2002.

Speaker, Czech Republic, Brno at Intellectual Property Conference sponsored by The John Marshall Law School/Brno Technical University, on “American Legal System,” September 1995.

Lecturer, Czech Republic, Brno at Masaryk University on “Philosophy of the Law”, September 1995.

Speaker, ABA (CEELI) in Orlando, on “Foreign Law Programs,” in January 1994.

CEELI Consultant for Feasibility study to establish law school at Vitatus Magnus University in Kaunas, Lithuania in Summer 1993.

Chicago Bar Assn., Special Committee on Admissions to the Bar, 1993/94.

Illinois Death Penalty Education Project, 2000 to 2007.

ACADEMIC

Degree

J.D. University of Chicago Law School, 1960.

Courses Taught

Administrative Procedure, Appellate Procedure, Civil Procedure, Conflicts of Law, Federal Jurisdiction, Ethics, Litigation Process, Pre-Trial Practice, Professional Responsibility, Professional Liability, Torts II.

Scholarly Writings

“Student Disciplinary Issues: A Legal Compendium,” Chapter II.3 Academic Dishonesty: Revoking Academic Credentials (Faulkner & Tribbensee, editors) (NACUA 3d ed., 2005).

Discovery in Illinois: Federal and Illinois Practice (Butterworth, 1985) [with Kandaras and I. Johnston].

“Constitutional Foundations of the Right to Privacy,” chapter 19 Privacy Law and Practice (Trubow, ed.) (Matthew Bender, 1987).

“The Oxford Companion to American Law,” section on Legal Education and Law Schools (Oxford University Press 2002) [with Michael Closen].

“Freedom of Expression and Press,” chapters on “Access to Government Records” and “Free Speech and Politically Correct Speech: A Collision of Values in Academe” (Masaryk University, Brno 1996).

“Professional Ethics,” chapters on “Ethics in the Legislative Process” and “Academic Ethics” (Masaryk University, Brno 1996).

The Fine Art of Evasion: An Analysis of How the Federal Judiciary Preserves the Status Quo, II Nat’l Bar Assn. L.J. 46 (1988) [with Neely and Seng].

“Academic Dishonesty: Revoking Academic Credentials,” 32 J. Mar. L.R. (1988) to be reprinted in current Student Disciplinary Issues published by the Association of College and University Attorneys.

The Vagaries of Illinois Supreme Court Rule 103(b), 21 Loyola (Chicago) L.J. 831 (1990) [with I. Johnston].

The Law of Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol in Illinois, 22 Loyola (Chicago) L.J. 5 (1991) [with T. Higgins].

The Vagaries of Rule 103(b) Revisited, 22 Loyola Chicago L.J. 713 (1992) [with I. Johnston].

An Overview of Illinois Law of Contempt: The Court’s Inherent Powers and the Appropriate Procedures and Sanctions, 26 J. Mar. L.R. 223 (1993) [with K. Bry].

Motions in Limine: Use and Consequences in Illinois, 26 J. Mar. L.R. 305 (1993) [with T. Higgins].

Contention Interrogatories, 148 F.R.D. 641 (1993) [with I. Johnston].

A Law School’s duty to Report Student Bar Applicant Misconduct, 63 Bar Ex. 7 (1994) [with J. Oswald].

AIDS: Coping with HIV on Campus, 27 J. Marsh, L.R. 449 (1994) [with J. Oswald & M. Wojcik].

Discovery: Facts and Myths, 35 Trial 53 (1999), reprinted in Report of the 1999 Forum for State Judges, Roscoe Pound Institute, 1999.

The Adversary System as a Means of Seeking Truth and Justice, 35 J. Marshall L. Rev. 147 (2002) [with S. Lafrano].

What is a Dean For?, 35 Toledo L. Rev. 111 (2003).

Honors and Awards

American Trial Lawyers Association, Recognition for Establishing Partnership in Advocacy Program, 2003.

Lawyers' Assistance Program, Illinois, Law School Award, 2002.

Bohemian Bar Association, Recognition for Establishing Programs with Prague Bar Association and University of Masaryk Law School, 1999.

The Chinese Intellectual Property Training Center, Honorary Professor, Beijing China, 1996.

Zhejiang University, Honorary Professor, Hangzhou, China, 1994.

Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic, Honorary Professor, 1994

The Jefferson Inn, An American Inn of Court, Special Award of Appreciation Recognition, 1993.

The Hawaii Association for Retarded Citizens, Outstanding Volunteer, 1976.

Citizens for Hawaii, Person of the Year, 1974, Honolulu, Hawaii

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