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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2005-present **University of St. Thomas**, St. Paul/Minneapolis, MN
Interim President (2022-)
Dean and Mengler Chair in Law, School of Law (2013-2022)
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, School of Law (2011-2012)
Professor of Law (2010-)
Associate Professor of Law (2005-2010)
- 2011 **Blackfriars Hall, Oxford University**
Visiting Research Scholar (May 2011)
- 2002-2005 **St. John's University School of Law**, New York, NY
Assistant Professor

EDUCATION

- 1993-1996 **Harvard Law School**, Cambridge, MA
Juris Doctor, *cum laude*, June 1996
- Editor, *Harvard Law Review* 1994-96
 - Semifinalist, Ames Moot Court Competition 1994-95
- 1989-1993 **University of New Orleans**
Bachelor of Arts, *summa cum laude*, May 1993

LAW PRACTICE

- 1997-2000; 2001 **Kirkland & Ellis**, Chicago, IL
Associate. Litigated mass toxic tort, bankruptcy, prisoners' rights, and professional responsibility matters.

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

- 2001-2002 **Judge David M. Ebel**, Denver, CO
United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

1999-2000 **Judge Joan B. Gottschall**, Chicago, IL
United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

1996-1997 **Judge John P. Wiese**, Washington, D.C.
United States Court of Federal Claims

OTHER LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Summer 1995 **Kirkland & Ellis**, Chicago, IL
Summer Associate.

Summer 1994 **Mayer, Brown & Platt**, Chicago, IL
Summer Associate.

SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS

Books

- MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. AND THE MORALITY OF LEGAL PRACTICE: LESSONS IN LOVE AND JUSTICE (Cambridge Univ. Press) (2013)
- CONSCIENCE AND THE COMMON GOOD: RECLAIMING THE SPACE BETWEEN PERSON AND STATE (Cambridge Univ. Press) (2010)

Book Chapters

- *Christian Nationalism and the Rule of Law*, in BEYOND IMAGINATION?: THE JANUARY 6 INSURRECTION (West Academic) (2022)
- *Solidarity, Subsidiarity, and the Consumerist Impetus of American Law*, in SELF-EVIDENT TRUTHS: CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVES ON AMERICAN LAW (M. Scaperlanda & T. Collett, eds.) (2007)

Articles

- *Professional Formation in an Age of Polarization*, 17 UNIV. OF ST. THOMAS L.J. (2022)
- *Confident Pluralism in Corporate Legal Theory*, 74 WASH & LEE L. REV. 1179 (2017) (invited symposium contribution)
- *How Should a Law School's Religious Affiliation Matter in a Difficult Market?*, 48 TOL. L. REV. 307 (2017) (invited symposium contribution)
- *Martin Luther King Jr.'s Lessons for Lawyers in a Time of Market Disruption*, 49 VALP. L. REV. 201 (2014) (Tabor Lecture)

- *Where Do Businesses Fit Within the Freedom of the Church?*, 21 J. OF CONTEMP. LEG. ISSUES 369 (2013) (invited symposium contribution)
- *How Necessary is the Right of Assembly?*, 89 WASH. U. L. REV. 1403 (2013) (invited symposium contribution)
- *The Uneasy (and Changing) Relationship of Health Care and Religion in Our Legal System*, J. OF THEORETICAL MEDICINE & BIOETHICS (2013) (invited symposium contribution)
- *Big Law and the Marginalization of Trust*, 25 GEO. J. LEGAL ETHICS 165 (2012)
- *How Do Lawyers Serve Human Dignity?*, 9 UNIV. OF ST. THOMAS L.J. 222 (2011) (invited symposium contribution)
- *Trust and the Global Law Firm*, 19 AMERICAN UNIV. J. GENDER, SOCIAL POL'Y & THE LAW 1095 (2011) (invited symposium contribution)
- *Whom Should a Catholic Law School Honor? If Confusion is the Concern, Context Matters*, 49 J. OF CATHOLIC LEG. STUD. 243 (2011) (invited symposium contribution)
- *Conscience and the Common Good: An Introduction*, 49 J. OF CATHOLIC LEG. STUD. 293 (2011) (opening essay for symposium dedicated to CONSCIENCE AND THE COMMON GOOD: RECLAIMING THE SPACE BETWEEN PERSON AND STATE)
- *Individual Rights vs. Institutional Identity: The Relational Dimension of Conscience in Health Care*, 9 AVE MARIA L. REV. 67 (2010) (invited symposium contribution)
- *When is a Catholic Doing Legal Theory Doing "Catholic Legal Theory?"* 40 SETON HALL L. REV. 845 (2010) (invited symposium contribution)
- *Professionalizing Moral Engagement*, 103 N.W. L. REV. COLLOQUY (2009) (invited symposium contribution)
- *Moral Engagement Without the "Moral Law": A Post-Canons View of Attorneys' Moral Accountability*, 2008 PROF'L LAWYER 213 (2008) (invited symposium contribution)
- *Corporate Identity and Moral Pluralism: Reclaiming the Relational Dimension of Conscience*, 5 J. OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL THOUGHT 323 (2008) (peer-reviewed journal)

- *The Best Interests of the Child: Modern Lessons from the Christian Traditions*, in THE VOCATION OF THE CHILD (J. Witte & P. Brennan, eds.) (2008)
- *Conscience in Context: Pharmacist Rights and the Eroding Moral Marketplace*, 17 STAN. LAW & POL'Y REV. 83 (2006)
- *Legal Advice as Moral Perspective*, 19 GEO. J. LEGAL ETHICS 225 (2006)
- *Professional Identity and the Contours of Prudence*, 4 UNIV. OF ST. THOMAS L.J. 46 (2006) (invited symposium contribution)
- *The Sanctity of Conscience in an Age of School Choice: Grounds for Skepticism*, 6 MARYLAND L.J. OF RACE, RELIGION, GENDER AND CLASS 81 (2006) (invited symposium contribution)
- *Subsidiarity and Suffering: The View from New Orleans*, 45 J. OF CATHOLIC LEG. STUD. 183 (2006)
- *Pluralism and Professionalism: The Question of Authority*, 8 LEGAL ETHICS 35 (2005) (peer-reviewed journal)
- *Religious Education and the Liberal State*, 44 J. OF CATHOLIC LEG. STUD. 57 (2005) (symposium introduction)
- *Subsidiarity and Subversion: Local Power, Legal Norms, and the Liberal State*, 2 J. OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL THOUGHT 277 (2005) (peer-reviewed journal)
- *Heretics in the Temple of Law: The Promise and Peril of the Religious Lawyering Movement*, 19 J. L. & RELIG. 427 (2004) (peer-reviewed journal)
- *The Good, the Bad and the Ugly: Rethinking the Value of Associations*, 79 NOTRE DAME L. REV. 949 (2004)
- *Catholic Social Thought and the Ethical Formation of Lawyers: A Call for Community*, 1 J. OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL THOUGHT 417 (2004) (peer-reviewed journal)
- *Faith, Pluralism, and the Practice of Law*, 43 CATH. LAWYER 17 (2004)
- *Subsidiarity as a Principle of Governance: Beyond Devolution*, 35 IND. L. REV. 103 (2001)
- *Racial Segregation in American Churches and Its Implications for School Vouchers*, 53 FLA. L. REV. 193 (2001)

- Note, *The Evidentiary Use of the Ethics Codes in Legal Malpractice: Erasing a Double Standard*, 109 HARV. L. REV. 1102 (1996)

Book Reviews

- *How Distinctive Should Catholic Law Schools Be?* 58 J. CATHOLIC LEGAL STUDIES (2020) (invited symposium review of J. BREEN & L. STRANG, *A LIGHT UNSEEN: A HISTORY OF CATHOLIC LEGAL EDUCATION*)
- Book Review of John Witte Jr., *GOD’S JOUST, GOD’S JUSTICE: LAW AND RELIGION IN THE WESTERN TRADITION* in the JOURNAL OF RELIGION 88:119-121 (Jan. 2008)
- *Public Opinion and the Culture Wars: The Case of School Vouchers*, 2002 U. ILL. L. REV. 477 (reviewing TERRY MOE, *SCHOOLS, VOUCHERS AND THE AMERICAN PUBLIC*)
- Book Note, *Religion and Roe: The Politics of Exclusion*, 108 HARV. L. REV. 495 (1994) (reviewing ALAN MENSCH & ELIZABETH FREEMAN, *THE POLITICS OF VIRTUE: IS ABORTION DEBATABLE?*)

SHORTER WORKS

- *Let’s Put the Christianity Back into Christian Politics*, MINNEAPOLIS STAR-TRIBUNE (Dec. 31, 2021)
- *What to Do About Ron DeSantis and the GOP’s (Literal) Demonization of the Left*, WASHINGTON POST (Jun. 28, 2021)
- *Court shows law stands outside culture wars*, MINNEAPOLIS STAR-TRIBUNE (Jun. 21, 2021)
- *Getting Serious (and Precise) About Christian Nationalism*, RELIGION NEWS SERVICE (Feb. 12, 2021)
- *History, Hard Questions, and Our Own Stories Matter as We Reckon With Racial Injustice*, ST. PAUL PIONEER-PRESS (Jan. 17, 2021) (with Yohuru Williams)
- *When Lawyers Fuel the Fire*, ST. PAUL PIONEER-PRESS (Dec. 13, 2020)
- *Keeping Calm About Critical Race Theory*, THE HOLY POST (Dec. 9, 2020)
- *Eric Metaxas and the Losing of the Evangelical Mind*, RELIGION NEWS SERVICE (Dec. 1, 2020)
- *Will the Death of George Floyd Sway White Evangelicals on Race?*, RELIGION NEWS SERVICE (July 15, 2020)

- *A Moynihan of the Right?*, COMMONWEAL (Mar. 22, 2019) (reviewing BEN SASSE, THEM: WHY WE HATE EACH OTHER – AND HOW TO HEAL)
- *More Than Ever, a Time to Heed MLK's Call to Civility*, MINNEAPOLIS STAR-TRIBUNE (Oct. 5, 2018)
- *A Time to Take Stock of Parts of King's Legacy That May Be Fading from View*, MINNEAPOLIS STAR-TRIBUNE (Feb. 9, 2018)
- *Agreeing on How to Disagree*, COMMONWEAL (Oct. 6, 2017) (reviewing JOHN CORVINO, RYAN ANDERSON & SHERIF GIRGIS, DEBATING RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AND DISCRIMINATION)
- *Anti-Sharia Marches Were Misguided*, MINNEAPOLIS STAR-TRIBUNE (Jun. 12, 2017)
- *The Trump Budget: Keep Civil Legal Aid off the Chopping Block*, MINNEAPOLIS STAR-TRIBUNE (Feb. 28, 2017)
- *Why the Courts Were Wrong to Rule against a Florist who Declined Service to a Same-Sex Wedding*, AMERICA (Feb. 28, 2017)
- *Lawyers' Unsung Role: When the High and Mighty Overreach, Count on Us*, MINNEAPOLIS STAR-TRIBUNE (Feb. 2, 2017)
- *Civil Friendship for a Politically Polarized Election*, AMERICA (Nov. 7, 2016)
- *Catholic Universities and #BlackLivesMatter*, AMERICA (Oct. 24, 2016)
- *Navigating Boundaries Between Conscience and Duty*, MINNEAPOLIS STAR-TRIBUNE (Sep. 10, 2015)
- *Beyond Boundaries: Expanding the Law and Religion Conversation*, 27 J.L. & RELIGION 225 (2012) (reviewing HOWARD LESNICK, RELIGION IN LEGAL THOUGHT AND PRACTICE)
- *The Dangers of Anti-Sharia Laws*, FIRST THINGS (Mar. 2012)
- *Legal Hurdles*, AMERICA (Mar. 5, 2012) (review of RICHARD THOMPSON FORD, RIGHTS GONE WRONG)
- *We Hold Which Truths?*, COMMONWEAL (Sep. 23, 2011) (reviewing PAUL HORWITZ, THE AGNOSTIC AGE)

- *The Progressive Case for Conscience*, THE PUBLIC DISCOURSE (Mar. 9, 2011) (online journal)
- *Political, Not Partisan*, COMMONWEAL (Dec. 3, 2010)
- *Culture War Dispatch: Open Hearts & Minds at Princeton*, COMMONWEAL (Oct. 20, 2010) (online version)
- *Prop 8 & the Rule of Facts: How Not to Settle the Gay Marriage Question*, COMMONWEAL (Sep. 10, 2010)
- *Diversity and Discrimination in the Case of Christian Legal Society*, THE PUBLIC DISCOURSE (Jul. 9, 2010) (online journal)
- *Discrimination: How Dirty a Word?* COMMONWEAL (May 21, 2010)
- *Public Reason Disease*, COMMONWEAL (reviewing STEVEN H. SHIFFRIN, THE RELIGIOUS LEFT AND CHURCH-STATE RELATIONS) (Mar. 12, 2010)
- *How We Talk About Marriage (and Why It Matters)*, DIALOGUE: A JOURNAL OF MORMON THOUGHT (2009) (invited symposium contribution)
- *Incompatible Freedoms?*, COMMONWEAL (Oct. 9, 2009) (review of SAME-SEX MARRIAGE AND RELIGIOUS LIBERTY: EMERGING CONFLICTS (Douglas Laycock et al., eds.))
- *Bad Faith: Blaming Religion for Proposition 8*, COMMONWEAL (Jan. 16, 2009)
- *From Principle to Policy*, COMMONWEAL (Aug. 15, 2008) (reviewing THE OPTION FOR THE POOR IN CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY (Daniel G. Groody, ed.) and Thomas J. Massaro, S.J. UNITED STATES WELFARE POLICY: A CATHOLIC RESPONSE)
- *A Delicate Relationship*, AMERICA (Aug. 4, 2008) (reviewing FRANK LAMBERT, RELIGION IN AMERICAN POLITICS: A SHORT HISTORY)
- *The Knot*, COMMONWEAL (Dec. 21, 2007) (reviewing DON BROWNING, EQUALITY AND THE FAMILY: A FUNDAMENTAL, PRACTICAL THEOLOGY OF CHILDREN, MOTHERS AND FATHERS)
- *All in the Family: When Should the State Intervene?*, COMMONWEAL (March 23, 2007)
- *What's Best for the Social Order?*, AMERICA (Feb. 26, 2007) (review of Lew Daly, GOD AND THE WELFARE STATE)

- *Higher Learning*, AMERICA (Jan. 15-22, 2007) (reviewing CHRISTIANITY AND THE SOUL OF THE UNIVERSITY: FAITH AS A FOUNDATION FOR INTELLECTUAL COMMUNITY) (D. Henry & M. Beaty, eds.)
- *All That We Can Be*, COMMONWEAL (May 5, 2006) (reviewing ROBERT WUTHNOW, AMERICAN MYTHOS: WHY OUR BEST EFFORTS TO BE A BETTER NATION FALL SHORT)
- *The Pharmacist Wars*, AMERICAN ENTERPRISE ONLINE (Feb. 14, 2006)
- *Catholics and Religious Liberty*, in ENCYCLOPEDIA OF AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES (Routledge 2006)
- *The Truth About Torture*, EVANGELICAL OUTPOST (Dec. 2005) (essay)

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

- *What Should It Mean for a Catholic University to be Anti-Racist?*, Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture (Nov. 2021)
- *From Racism to Reconciliation*, Catholics and Public Life Congress, Pontifical University of Puerto Rico (April 2021)
- *Assessing Christian Nationalism: Lessons from Martin Luther King Jr.*, Anselm House, University of Minnesota (Mar. 2021)
- Book Discussant, *BE BOLD: HOW TO PREPARE YOUR HEART AND MIND FOR RACIAL RECONCILIATION*, Southern University Law Center (Nov. 2020)
- *The Common Good and Civil Friendship in an Election Year*, Klein Faith-Justice Lecture, St. Joseph's University (Oct. 2020)
- *How Distinctive Should Catholic Law Schools Be?*, Symposium on A HISTORY OF CATHOLIC LEGAL EDUCATION, St. John's University (Feb. 2020)
- *Martin Luther King Jr. and the Civil Rights Movement 50 Years Later*, 1968 and the War for America's Soul conference, University of St. Thomas (Oct. 2018)
- *Why Christians Should Care About Diversity & Inclusion*, Canadian Christian Legal Fellowship annual conference, Vancouver, B.C. (Oct. 2018)
- *Speaking Truth to Power (and to Ourselves): Reflection on the 50th Anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.'s Assassination*, University of St. Thomas (April 2018)
- *Christian Perspectives on Law*, Franciscan University (Mar. 2018)

- *Law Schools' Work and Access to Justice*, Access to Justice Forum, Legal Services Corporation, Harvard Law School (Oct. 2017)
- *What Should We Do About Confederate Monuments?* Hot Topics/Cool Talk series, Murphy Institute, University of St. Thomas (Sep. 2017)
- *Christian Perspectives on Law*, Constitution Day Lecture, Crown College (Sep. 2017)
- *Catholic Universities and Our Polarized Nation*, St. Joseph's University (Feb. 2017)
- *Law School Pluralism and the Diversity/Inclusion Conversation*, American Association of Law Schools annual conference, San Francisco (Jan. 2017)
- *Human Agency, Moral Pluralism, and the Law*, Conference on Agency, Prospering, Progress, and the Working Class, Columbia University (Nov. 2016)
- *Confident Pluralism in Corporate Legal Theory*, Symposium on Corporate Law, Governance and Purpose: Tribute to Scholarship of Lyman Johnson and David Millon, Washington & Lee University Law School (Oct. 2016)
- *Catholic Legal Education in the American Experience*, Pazmany Peter Catholic University Law Faculty, Budapest, Hungary (Oct. 2016)
- *Why Religiously Affiliated Law Schools Should Be Engaged with the #BlackLivesMatter Movement*, Conference of Religiously Affiliated Law Schools, Regent University Law School (Sep. 2016)
- *Conscience and the Common Good*, Constitution Day Lecture, King's College, Wilkes-Barre, PA (Sep. 2016)
- *Attorney-Client Relationships in an Age of Mass Production*, National Legal Aid & Defender Association annual conference, New Orleans (Nov. 2015)
- *The Moral and Ethical Responsibilities of Attorneys in the American Legal System*, Francisco Vittoria University, Madrid (Oct. 2015)
- *The Institutional Dimension of Conscience in Health Care*, University of Illinois – Chicago Medical School (Sep. 2015)
- *Principles of Procedural Justice: An American Perspective*, Conference on Judicial Reform in China, Guangzhou University Law School (May 2015)

- *Will Technology Solve the Access to Justice Problem?* Access to Justice Conference, Texas A&M University Law School (May 2015) (invited response to David Luban's keynote address)
- *How Do We Ensure Global Perspectives in Legal Education?*, International Association of Law Schools Deans' Conference, Universidad Sergio Arboleda, Bogota (April 2015)
- *How Should Catholic Legal Theory Matter to Catholic Legal Education in a Time of Retrenchment?*, Scarpa Conference, Villanova Law School (April 2015)
- *Conscience and the Common Good*, Ireland Lecture, St. Paul Seminary, University of St. Thomas (April 2015)
- *The Vocation of the Christian Law Professor*, Law Professors' Christian Fellowship annual conference, Washington, D.C. (Jan. 2015)
- *Love & Justice: Martin Luther King Jr. 's Lessons for Lawyers*, Canadian Christian Legal Fellowship annual conference, Whistler, B.C. (Oct. 2014)
- *Religious Identity in a Time of Challenge*, Conference of Religiously Affiliated Law Schools, University of St. Thomas School of Law (Sep. 2014)
- *Martin Luther King Jr. 's Lessons for Lawyers in a Time of Market Disruption*, Tabor Lecture, Valparaiso University (Feb. 2014)
- *Is Agape the Last, Best Hope for the Legal Profession?*, Conference on Law and Love, Pepperdine University (Feb. 2014)
- *Avoiding a "Violence of Spirit": Lessons for Lawyers from the Nonviolent Resistance of Gandhi and King*, National Law University – Delhi (Nov. 2013)
- *The Future of American Legal Education*, Tsinghua University Law School, Beijing (Sep. 2013)
- *Love & Justice: Martin Luther King Jr. 's Lessons for Lawyers*, lecture, Villanova Law School (Mar. 2013)
- *Where Do Businesses Fit Within the Freedom of the Church?*, faculty colloquium, University of St. Thomas Law School (Feb. 2013)
- *Where Do Businesses Fit Within the Freedom of the Church?*, Symposium on the Freedom of the Church, University of San Diego Law School (October 2012)

- *The Dangers of Anti-Sharia Laws*, Muslim-Christian Dialogue Lecture Series, University of St. Thomas (October 2012)
- *Business as a Vocation and the HHS Contraception Rule*, Georgetown University Law Center (Sep. 2012)
- *Martin Luther King Jr. 's Lessons for Lawyers*, Fifth International Legal Ethics Conference, Banff, Canada (Jul. 2012)
- *Conscience and the Common Good*, 2012 Kamm Lecture, Wheaton College (Mar. 2012)
- *Does Liberty for Groups Require the Right of Assembly?*, Washington University Law School (Mar. 2012)
- *Martin Luther King Jr. 's Lessons for Lawyers*, Religious Legal Theory conference, Pepperdine Law School (Feb. 2012)
- *The Legal Profession and the Triumph of the Technical: How We Got Here and Why It Matters*, Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture (Nov. 2011)
- *Why Christians Should Reject the Anti-Sharia Movement*, Michigan State Legislature (Nov. 2011)
- *Conscience and the Common Good*, Regent University Law Review Symposium on Protecting Conscience (Nov. 2011)
- *How Do Lawyers Serve Human Dignity?*, Symposium on the Lawyer's Role and Professional Formation, University of St. Thomas School of Law (Sep. 2011)
- *Institutional Rights of Conscience: Three Key Questions*, Liberty of Conscience Roundtable Discussion, The Brookings Institution (Jun. 2011)
- *Conscience and the Common Good: Will the Relational Dimension of Conscience Find Fertile Ground in Europe?* Blackfriars Hall, Oxford University (May 2011)
- *The Uneasy Relationship Between Health Care and Religion in American Law*, Conference on Islamic Bioethics, University of Michigan (April 2011)
- *Conscience and the Common Good: Will the Relational Dimension of Conscience Find Fertile Ground in Europe?*, Symposium on Diversity and Differential Treatment in Europe, University of Pavia (Italy) (Jan. 2011)
- *Conscience and the Common Good*, Law Professors' Christian Fellowship annual conference, San Francisco (Jan. 2011)

- *Trust and the Global Law Firm: Public Values, the Corporate Legal Services Market, and the Marginalization of Trust*, American Association of Law Schools annual conference, San Francisco (Jan. 2011)
- *Why the State Should Support Faith-Based Poverty Initiatives*, Conference on Social Justice, Marquette University (Nov. 2010)
- *Abortion, Health Care Providers, and Conscience: Why We Should Care About Associational Freedom*, Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Fair-Minded Words: A Conference on Life and Choice in the Abortion Debate, Princeton University (Oct. 2010)
- *Trust and the Global Law Firm*, Fourth International Legal Ethics Conference, Stanford Law School (Jul. 2010)
- *Trust and the Global Law Firm*, ABA Conference on Professional Responsibility, Seattle (Jun. 2010)
- *Love as a Ground for Legal Ethics: Lessons for Advocates from Martin Luther King*, Conference on the Charismatic Principle in Economic and Civil Life, Sophia University, Loppiano, Italy (May 2010)
- *The Relational Dimension of Conscience in Health Care*, Symposium on Freedom of Conscience in Medical Practice, Ohio State University Law School (Apr. 2010)
- *Love as the Ground of Legal Ethics*, faculty colloquium, University of St. Thomas Law School (Mar. 2010)
- *Individual Rights vs. Institutional Identity: The Relational Dimension of Conscience in Health Care*, Symposium on the Future of Rights of Conscience in Health Care, Brigham Young University Law School (Feb. 2010)
- *Love & Justice: Christian Realism's Lessons for Lawyers*, Murphy Institute Conference on Christian Realism, University of St. Thomas (Nov. 2009)
- *Conscience, the Collective Will, and the Common Good*, Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture (Nov. 2009) (panel dedicated to discussion of CONSCIENCE AND THE COMMON GOOD: RECLAIMING THE SPACE BETWEEN PERSON AND STATE)
- *When is a Catholic Doing Legal Theory Doing "Catholic Legal Theory?"* Seton Hall Law School, Conference on Religious Legal Theory (Nov. 2009)
- *Conscience and the Culture Wars: What Comes Next?*, Religion Newswriters Association annual conference, Minneapolis (Sep. 2009)

- *Conscience and Communities: What's Missing from Our Debates about Liberty of Conscience*, St. Louis University Law School faculty colloquium (Sep. 2009)
- *Rethinking the Pro-Life Movement's Commitment to Conscience*, University Faculty for Life Conference, University of St. Thomas (Jun. 2009)
- *Love and Justice: Why Should the State Respect the Church's Freedom to Practice Christian Love?*, Conference on Catholic Legal Thought, Catholic University of America (Jun. 2009)
- *Matters of Conscience: When Moral Precepts Collide With Public Policy*, Fordham Center for Religion and Culture, Fordham University (Apr. 2009)
- *Seeger's Lessons for Conscience*, University of Oklahoma Law School faculty colloquium (Apr. 2009)
- *Seeger's Lessons for Conscience*, University of Colorado Law School faculty colloquium (Feb. 2009)
- *Being a Christian Lawyer, Faith, Worldview, and the Law Symposium*, Christian Legal Society, University of Minnesota Law School (Jan. 2009)
- *Religion in American Public Schools: First Amendment Constraints*, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany (Oct. 2008)
- *Conflicts Over Conscience in Health Care*, Murphy Institute for Catholic Thought, Law, and Policy Public Forum, University of St. Thomas (Sept. 2008)
- *Holding Lawyers Accountable for Client Behavior*, ABA Conference on Professional Responsibility, Boston (May 2008)
- *Seeger's Lessons for Conscience*, University of St. Thomas Law School faculty colloquium (Mar. 2008)
- *Seeger's Lessons for Conscience*, Marquette Law School faculty colloquium (Mar. 2008)
- *Conscience and the Professional Formation of Lawyers*, ABA Conference on Professional Responsibility, Chicago (Jun. 2007)
- *Conscience as Relationship*, Notre Dame Center for Ethics & Culture (Dec. 2006)
- *Moral Identity, Subsidiarity, and the Good Company*, Sixth International Symposium on Catholic Social Thought and Management Education, Pontificia Università San Tommaso, Rome, Italy (Oct. 2006)

- *When Conscience Clashes with State Law and Policy: Distinctions Between the Roles of Lawyers and Judges*, Fordham Institute on Religion, Law, and Lawyers' Work, Fordham Law School (Sep. 2006)
- *The Best Interests of the Child: Modern Lessons from the Christian Traditions*, Conference on Children's Spirituality, Concordia University (Jun. 2006)
- *The Sanctity of Conscience in an Era of School Choice: Grounds for Skepticism*, University of Maryland Law School (Apr. 2006)
- *Professional Identity and the Contours of Prudence*, Murphy Institute Conference on Prudential Judgment & Law, University of St. Thomas Law School (Apr. 2006)
- *Torts and Justice: Lessons from Catholic Social Thought*, Conference of Religiously Affiliated Law Schools, Baylor Law School (Apr. 2006)
- *John Paul II and the Courts*, Conference on the Jurisprudential Legacy of John Paul II, St. John's University School of Law (commentator) (Mar. 2006)
- *The Limited Relevance of Conscience to the Pharmacist Debate*, Forum on Women's Access to Birth Control, Vanderbilt Law School (Feb. 2006)
- *Government Responsibility for the Katrina Recovery: Lessons from Catholic Social Teaching*, Law Professors' Christian Fellowship annual conference, Washington, D.C. (Jan. 2006)
- *What Should Catholics Expect From the Supreme Court?*, University of St. Thomas Center for Catholic Studies (Nov. 2005)
- *Professional Vocation and Moral Responsibility*, Celebration of Archbishop Oscar Romero, St. John's University (Mar. 2005)
- *Legal Advice as Moral Perspective*, Notre Dame Law School faculty colloquium (Jan. 2005)
- *Love's Power – Law's Limits*, Vincentian Center for Church and Society, Faith & Film lecture series (commentary on *Dead Man Walking*) (Nov. 2004)
- *Subsidiarity as Subversion: Local Power, Legal Norms, and the Liberal State*, Villanova University (Oct. 2004)
- *Tortured Ethics: Abu Ghraib and the Moral Lawyer*, St. John's University Law School faculty colloquium (Oct. 2004)

- *Solidarity and Subsidiarity in American Law*, Seton Hall University Law School faculty colloquium (Oct. 2004)
- *Pluralism and Professionalism: The Question of Authority*, First International Legal Ethics Conference, University of Exeter, U.K. (July 2004)
- *Can a Good Catholic Be a Good Lawyer?*, 2004 Gest Forum Lecture to St. Thomas More Society, Philadelphia (May 2004)
- *Identity, Ethics, and the Practice of Law*, University of New Orleans (April 2004)
- *The Religious Lawyering Movement*, St. John's University Law School faculty colloquium (Feb. 2004)
- *Community and the Christian Lawyer*, Fordham Law School Program on the Christian Lawyer (Nov. 2003)
- *Religious Community and Legal Ethics*, Christian Legal Society Scholars' Symposium (Nov. 2003)
- *Catholic Social Thought and the Ethical Formation of Lawyers*, Villanova University Conference on Catholic Social Thought and the Law (Oct. 2003)
- *The Value of Voluntary Associations*, Law and Society Association Annual Conference, Pittsburgh (June 2003)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Member, Leaders Council, Legal Services Corporation (2016-)
- Member, Minnesota Advisory Committee to U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (2016-2018)
- Contributor, *Mirror of Justice* (www.mirrorofjustice.com) (2004-)
- Member, Policy Implementation Committee, ABA Center for Professional Responsibility (2008-2011) (responsible for assisting and advising state bars on matters related to regulation of legal profession)
- Executive Committee, Section on Professional Responsibility, American Association of Law Schools (2008-09)
- Senior Fellow, Murphy Institute for Catholic Thought, Law, and Public Policy, University of St. Thomas (2008-12)

- Ethics Officer, NYC2012 (the organization dedicated to bringing the 2012 Summer Olympics to New York City) (2003-2005)
- Fellow, Vincentian Center for Church and Society, St. John's University (2004-2005)
- Executive Committee, Association of Religiously Affiliated Law Schools (2006-2010)
- Executive Committee, Section on Law & Religion, American Association of Law Schools (2003-2004)
- Admitted to practice law in Minnesota

HONORS

- Fellow, American Bar Foundation (2015-)
- Cultural Diplomacy Award, Black Law Students Association (2018)
- Diversity & Inclusion Award, *Minnesota Lawyer* (2017)
- Professor of the Year, University of St. Thomas School of Law (2008, 2011, 2021)
- Named one of "23 Law Profs to Take Before You Die," *National Jurist* (2011)
- Dean's Award for Outstanding Scholarship, University of St. Thomas School of Law (2009)
- Dean's Award for Outstanding Teaching, University of St. Thomas School of Law (2007)
- Professor of the Year, St. John's University School of Law (2005)
- Distinguished Alumnus of the Year, University of New Orleans College of Liberal Arts (2004)
- Dean's Award for Excellence in Teaching, St. John's University School of Law (2003)