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ACADEMIC POSITIONS:

WIDENER UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Associate Professor, 2007-Present (Tenured as of July 1, 2011) Visiting Associate Professor, 2005-2007 Courses taught:

- Torts I
- Torts II
- Insurance
- Products Liability
- Contracts I
- Contracts II
- Evidence
- Professional Responsibility

Professional Activities:

- Editor, TortsProf Blog, http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/tortsprof/
- American Law Institute (2012-Present)
- Executive Committee, AALS Torts & Compensation Systems Section (2012-Present)
- New Appleman on Insurance Advisory Board (2011-Present)
- Symposium Chair, *Crimtorts* (February 25, 2008). Organized first national conference on crimtorts, the middle ground between tort and criminal law.
- Symposium Chair, *Perspectives on Mass Tort Litigation* (April 16, 2013).

Honors and Awards:

- Douglas E. Ray Excellence in Faculty Scholarship Award (2009) (Awarded by the Dean in consultation with the faculty)
- Outstanding Faculty Award (2011, 2013) (Awarded by the graduating class)
- "Best Paper" Award at the International Conference on Public Law at Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) in Shah Alam, Malaysia; December 13-14, 2011

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Honorable Abraham L. Freedman Fellow and Lecturer in Law, 2003-2005 Courses taught:

Professional Responsibility

- Legal Research & Writing
- Torts (with Scott Burris)
- Medical Malpractice (with Frank McClellan)
- American Legal History (with Diane Maleson)
- Jurisprudence (with Richard Greenstein)

EDUCATION:

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF LAW, Charlottesville, Virginia

J.D., May 1996

Research Assistant to Jeffrey O'Connell

Legal Aid Society

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

LL.M. in Legal Education, May 2005

COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY, Williamsburg, Virginia

B.A., cum laude, May 1993

Majors: Government and Philosophy (with Honors)

General Honors Program

Pi Sigma Alpha (Government honor society)

Sigma Delta Pi (Spanish honor society)

PUBLICATIONS:

Books:

6 APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE: MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE (LexisNexis 2011) (Editor of Volume 6 of the 15-volume Library Edition that will update and replace the leading 68-volume treatise on insurance law)

A RECIPE FOR BALANCED TORT REFORM (2008) (with Jeffrey O'Connell)

Articles & Essays:

No-Fault Automobile	Insurance in Malaysia:	Lessons from the U.S.	Experience, 11
UiTM Law Rev	_ (with Stefanie Pitcavas	ge) (forthcoming 2013))

Two Roads Diverge for Civil Recourse Theory, 88 IND. L.J. 543 (2013)

Why Civil Recourse Theory Is Incomplete, 78 TENN. L. REV. 431 (2011)

The Prosser Notebook: Classroom as Biography and Intellectual History, 2010 U. ILL. Rev. 577

The Synergy of Early Offers and Medical Explanations/Apologies, 103 Nw. U. L. REV.

2007 (2009) (essay)

Crimtorts, 17 WIDENER L.J. 705 (2008) (symposium introduction)

Peace: A Public Purpose for Punitive Damages?, 2 Charleston L. Rev. 327 (2008) (symposium), reprinted in Punitive Damages: New Dimensions (M.N. Bhavani, ed., Amicus Books of Icfai University Press, India 2008)

Torts Rationales, Pluralism, and Isaiah Berlin, 14 GEO. MASON L. REV. 329 (2007)

Can There Be a Unified Theory of Torts? A Pluralist Suggestion from History and Doctrine, 43 Brandels L.J. 369 (2005)

Contributory or Comparative: Which is the Optimal Negligence Rule?, 24 N. ILL. U. L. REV. 41 (2003) (with Paul G. Sherland)

The Role of Compensation in Personal Injury Tort Law: A Response to the Opposite Concerns of Gary Schwartz and Patrick Atiyah, 32 CONN. L. REV. 137 (1999) (with Jeffrey O'Connell)

"Choice Auto Insurance": Do Theories of Justice Require Linkage Between Injurers and the Injured?, 1997 U. ILL. L. REV. 1109 (with Jeffrey O'Connell)

PRESENTATIONS:

Symposium Chair and Moderator, *Perspectives on Mass Tort Litigation*, Widener University School of Law; Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; April 16, 2013

Invited Participant, "An Injury Law Constitution by Marshall Shapo," Searle Center Conference; Northwestern University School of Law; Chicago, Illinois; March 14-15, 2013

Panelist, *Twenty-First Century Tort Theories: A New Audit of Civil Recourse Theory*, Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting; Torts & Compensation Systems Section; Washington, D.C.; January 5, 2012

Presenter, *Automobile No-Fault in Malaysia: The Proper Relationship with Tort Liability*, International Conference on Public Law 2011; Universiti Teknologi MARA; Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia; December 13-14, 2011

Panelist, *Evidence in Custody Trials*, 2010 Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges Annual Meeting; Hershey, Pennsylvania; July 22, 2010

Reader, Author Meets Reader—The Measure of Injury: Race, Gender, and Tort Law, 2010 Law & Society Association Annual Meeting; Chicago, Illinois; May 28, 2010

Panelist, *Pluralism in Tort Law and Litigation*, 13th Annual Conference: Association for the Study of Law, Culture, and the Humanities, Brown University; Providence, Rhode Island; March 20, 2010

Panelist, *Privacy, Technology, and the Workplace*, Pennsylvania Cable Network's *In Session*; February 28, 2010

Faculty Colloquium, *The Prosser Notebook: Classroom as Biography and Intellectual History*, Rutgers School of Law-Camden; Camden, New Jersey; September 15, 2008

Symposium Chair and Moderator, *Crimtorts*, Widener University School of Law; Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; February 25, 2008

Panelist, *The Duke Lacrosse Ethics Case*, Pennsylvania Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers Conference; State College, Pennsylvania; October 19, 2007

Moderator, *Punitive Damages, Due Process, & Deterrence: The Debate After* Phillip Morris v. Williams, Charleston School of Law; Charleston, South Carolina; September 7, 2007

LITIGATION EXPERIENCE:

TREMBLAY & SMITH, LLP, Charlottesville, Virginia Associate (1996-2003)

- Represented clients in tort actions, including defamation, medical malpractice, and false imprisonment. Litigated issues of sovereign immunity and punitive damages.
- Represented clients in commercial litigation and transactions, including UCC, contract, and administrative law issues. Representative clients included national communications corporations (ALLTEL, Verizon, Sprint PCS), a leading multi-national plastic producer (Klöckner Capital Corporation), and a national leasing corporation (Amano Business Credit).
- Acted as first and second chair in federal and state litigation. Represented clients in mediations. Performed research and prepared memoranda, briefs, and motions; argued motions.

ACTIVITIES:

Harrisburg Salvation Army Advisory Board (2005-Present); Chair (2010-2012) Virginia State Bar Litigation Section Young Lawyers Committee (1999-2003) Albemarle County Public Recreational Facilities Authority (1998-2003) Charlottesville Salvation Army Advisory Board (1997-2003)

BAR ADMISSION:

State: Virginia

Federal:

United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit; United States District Courts for the Western and Eastern Districts of

Virginia