

BOYD *Briefs* provides monthly information regarding the scholarly and other activities of the faculty of the William S. Boyd School of Law at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

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PROFESSOR RACHEL ANDERSON. On February 14 and 15, Professor Anderson attended the National Bar Association's Midwinter Meeting in Nassau, Bahamas. At the meeting, Professor Anderson gave a talk titled "Corporate Citizenship in the Context of *Citizens United*" as part of a panel titled "Ethical Implications of *Citizens United* on Judicial Election: Can Money Undermine Judicial Independence?" The panel examined increased spending patterns in judicial elections and assessed the potential impact on public perception, fairness, and judicial independence. In addition, an encyclopedia (*Enslaved Women in America: An Encyclopedia*, eds. Daina Ramey Berry and Deleso A. Alford) in which Professor Anderson authored an entry ("Laws") recently received the 2013 Reference and User Services Association (RUSA) Award for serving as an outstanding reference source.

PROFESSOR BRET BIRDSONG. On February 23, Professor Birdsong attended the 2013 Food Law Colloquium at the University of Maine School of Law in Portland, Maine. At the colloquium, Professor Birdsong presented his paper titled "The Food-Energy-Climate Nexus: Think Globally, Act Globally."

PROFESSOR ANN CAMMETT. On February 11, Professor Cammett's article, "Shadow Citizens: Felony Disenfranchisement and the Criminalization of Debt," 117 PENN ST. L. REV. 349 (2012), was re-published as the lead article in Issue 9 of Volume 8 of the *Criminal Law eJournal*.

PROFESSOR RUBEN GARCIA. On February 2, Professor Garcia attended the "From Prosecution to Empowerment: Fighting Trafficking and Promoting the Rights of Migrants" conference at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles, California. At the conference, Professor Garcia gave a talk titled "Guestworkers at the Margins" as part of a "Vulnerable Workers" panel. On February 22 and 23, Professor Garcia attended a symposium on the future of labor law presented by the Labor Law Group at the University of California, Irvine School of Law. On February 27, Professor Garcia gave a presentation titled "Justice Delayed Is Not Equal to Justice Denied: Equality & Justice in America from *Plessy* to *Brown*" as part of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services Las Vegas Field Office's observation and celebration of African American History Month.

PROFESSOR LESLIE GRIFFIN. On February 6, Professor Griffin was featured in a *Las Vegas City Life* article titled “The Dangerous Illusion of Abortion Rights.” The article lauded a panel convened on January 31 by Planned Parenthood of Southern Nevada that included Professor Griffin as well as Congresswoman Shelley Berkley, UNLV History Professor Joanne Goodwin, and Director of UNLV’s Jean Nidetch Women’s Center Christina Hernandez. On February 8, Professor Griffin guest blogged on the ACSblog. Titled “Did Obama Ignore Religious Freedom of Millions of Americans? Yes and No,” Professor Griffin’s blog post explained that the Obama administration recently offered more accommodations to the religious employers who oppose women’s reproductive freedom and seek exemption from the Affordable Care Act’s mandate that employee insurance coverage extend to contraception and sterilization. On February 15, Professor Griffin gave an “Important 2012-2013 Supreme Court Cases” continuing legal education presentation at Boyd School of Law. During the CLE, Professor Griffin reviewed important cases on the Supreme Court’s 2012-2013 docket, including *Fisher v. University of Texas* (affirmative action), *Windsor v. United States* and *Hollingsworth v. Perry* (same-sex marriage), *Shelby County v. Holder* (Voting Rights Act), and other notable First, Fourth and Fifth Amendment cases.

PROFESSOR LORI JOHNSON. On February 22, Professor Johnson and Adjunct Professor Rick Rawson gave an “Introduction to Transactional Drafting” continuing legal education presentation at Boyd School of Law. The presentation, which was co-sponsored by the State Bar of Nevada, provided tips on successfully identifying and drafting the main components of a contract (including recitals, representations, warranties, covenants, and conditions) and drafting in the real estate context (including conveyances and free available resources).

PROFESSOR MICHAEL KAGAN. On February 7 and 8, Professor Kagan attended the Humanitarian Policy Group Conference on Urban Displacement and Development in Copenhagen, Denmark. At the conference, which was co-sponsored by Danida, the Danish Government’s international development agency, Professor Kagan gave a presentation and led a working group on “The Value of the UN Surrogate State.” On February 21, Professor Kagan was quoted in a *Ralston Reports My News 3* piece titled “Road to Deportation.”

PROFESSOR MARY LAFRANCE. On February 22 and 23, Professor LaFrance attended the Works in Progress in Intellectual Property Conference (WIPIP) at Seton Hall University School of Law in Newark, New Jersey. At the conference, Professor LaFrance presented her work in progress titled “Curbing Abusive Intellectual Property Litigation Through Mandatory Arbitration.”

PROFESSOR SYLVIA LAZOS. On February 21, Professor Lazos was featured in *El Tiempo*, the Spanish Language Publication of the *Las Vegas Review-Journal*, in an article titled “Un Héroe Llamado.” On February 25, Professor Lazos was quoted in a *Ralston Reports* piece titled “Democrats Have Plan to Improve Education, But No Way to Pay for It.”

PROFESSOR FRANCINE LIPMAN. One of Professor Lipman's recent articles, "Access to Tax Injustice," will be published this spring in Issue 5 of Volume 40 of the *Pepperdine Law Review*. The article, which is scheduled for publication in a "Tax Advice for the Second Obama Administration" symposium issue, examines access to the most successful antipoverty program for working lower-income families with children, the earned income tax credit. A second article authored by Professor Lipman, "The Social Security Benefits Formula and the Windfall Elimination Provision: An Equitable Approach to Addressing 'Windfall' Benefits" (with Alan Smith), will be published this spring in the University of Notre Dame Law School's *Journal of Legislation*. Finally, Professor Lipman was recently elected to the American College of Tax Counsel, an organization for tax attorneys who seek to improve the operation of our tax system.

PROFESSOR ANN MCGINLEY. On February 9, Professor McGinley gave a talk titled "LGBT Issues and Employment Law" at the ABA Student Conference held at Boyd School of Law. Her talk was part of a panel that examined legal issues facing the LGBT community.

VISITING PROFESSOR ANGELA MORRISON. On February 5, Professor Morrison was featured in a *91.5 FM The Source* 'News Roundtable' regarding immigration reform.

PROFESSOR REBECCA NATHANSON. On February 18, Professor Nathanson and the Kids' Court School that she founded and directs were featured in a *Guardian* article titled "Children Prepare for their Day in Court: 'They're Being Shown They Have a Voice.'" The Kids' Court School, a recent winner of a Harvard Kennedy School of Government Bright Ideas Award, was launched in 2002 by Professor Nathanson to teach child witnesses, mostly victims of physical or sexual abuse, about the judicial process before they testify.

INTERIM DEAN AND PROFESSOR NANCY RAPOPORT. On February 7, Dean Rapoport gave a talk at Elon University School of Law regarding law and popular culture. On February 21, Dean Rapoport attended the 64th Annual Oil and Gas Law Conference in Houston, Texas. At the conference, Dean Rapoport gave a talk regarding law and pop culture. Dean Rapoport also joined an amicus brief submitted to the Supreme Court of the United States in *Law Debenture Trust Company of New York v. Charter Communications, Inc.*

PROFESSOR ADDIE ROLNICK. On February 20, Professor Rolnick gave a talk on her paper titled "On 'Nonmember Indians'" at the University of New Mexico School of Law (UNM) as part of a Boyd-UNM Junior Faculty Exchange. On February 28 and March 1, Professor Rolnick attended The Institute of American Cultures at UCLA's inaugural conference, "Superdiversity California Style: New Approaches to Race, Civil Rights, Governance and Cultural Production," in Los Angeles, California. At the conference, Professor Rolnick discussed legal protections for indigenous and minority rights under U.S. law as part of a panel titled "Righting Wrongs in the Context of Superdiversity: The Possibilities and Limitations of Law."

PROFESSOR KEITH ROWLEY. On February 22 and 23, Professor Rowley attended the Eighth International Conference on Contracts, hosted by Texas Wesleyan University School of Law in Fort Worth, Texas. At the conference, Professor Rowley presented “Consumer Contracting Through a Pop Culture Lens,” moderated a panel on “[Contract] Remedies in a Changing World,” and participated in an open forum on the ALI’s recently-launched *Restatement (Third) of the Law of Consumer Contracts*, for which Professor Rowley serves as a consultant. Professor Rowley also met with other International Conference on Contracts steering committee members to discuss plans for the 2014 conference at St. Thomas University (FL) and beyond. In addition, Cambridge University Press recently published *Commercial Contract Law: Transatlantic Perspectives*, edited by Professor Rowley (with Larry A. DiMatteo, Qi Zhou, and Severine Saintier).

PROFESSOR CHAD SCHATZLE. On February 28, Professor Schatzle testified before the Nevada Senate Judiciary Committee regarding Senate Bill 105 (“Uniform Electronic Legal Materials Act”).

PROFESSOR JEFF STEMPEL. On February 15 and 16, Professor Stempel attended the American Bar Association Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section’s Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee Midyear Meeting in Phoenix, Arizona. At the meeting, Professor Stempel served as a moderator for a panel examining the duties and liabilities of insurance brokers. The panel discussed market and legal factors affecting rights and responsibilities of insurance intermediaries such as insurance brokers, wholesalers, managing general agents (MGAs), Managing General Underwriters (MGUs), and Third Party Administrators (TPAs). On February 22, Professor Stempel attended the Annual Conference on Arbitration at Penn State University in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. At the conference, Professor Stempel presented his paper titled “Adjusting Arbitration’s Standard of Review for the Brave New World of New Arbitration.”

PROFESSOR STACEY TOVINO. On February 11, Professor Tovino moderated a Health Law Society-sponsored panel, “Health Law Hot Topics,” at Boyd School of Law. On February 20, Professor Tovino gave a talk titled “Sources of Health Information Confidentiality: Antiquity to the Present Day” at a Health Law Society meeting at Boyd School of Law. On February 21 through 23, Professor Tovino attended the Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Southern Association for the History of Medicine and Science in Charleston, South Carolina. At the meeting, Professor Tovino gave a talk titled “An American History of Health Privacy and Health Information Confidentiality: 1881 to the Present.” Two of Professor Tovino’s health law students, 2L Bryn Esplin and 3L John Niman, also presented papers at the same conference. Professor Tovino also completed final edits on three new law review articles, including “A ‘Common’ Proposal” (forthcoming spring 2013 in the *Houston Law Review*), “Gone Too Far: Federal Regulation of Health Care Attorneys” (forthcoming spring 2013 in the *Oregon Law Review*), and “Conflicts of Interest in Medicine, Research, and Law: A Comparison” (forthcoming spring 2013 in the *Penn State Law Review*).

PROFESSOR ANNE TRAUM. On February 18, Professor Traum was quoted by Washington Correspondent Karoun Demirjian in a *Las Vegas Sun* article titled “Senate Logjam on Judicial Confirmations Creates Judge Shortage in Nevada.” Professor Traum addressed the effect of federal bench vacancies on all cases, especially civil cases.

PROFESSOR MARKET A TRIMBLE. On February 9 and 10, Professor Trimble attended the “International Issues Relating to Pro-Innovation Patent System and Competition Policy” conference in Nagoya, Japan. At the conference, Professor Trimble gave a talk titled “Conflict of Laws Rules for Intellectual Property Disputes as National Intellectual Property Policy.” On February 13, Professor Trimble guest blogged on Eric Goldman’s *Technology & Marketing Law Blog*. Titled “Territorial Implications of Antigua’s Internet-Based IP Sanctions Against the US,” Professor Trimble’s guest blog post offered three reasons why the recent decision by the World Trade Organization (WTO) authorizing Antigua to suspend its intellectual property obligations towards the United States in retaliation for the United States’ breach of WTO rules is notable.

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