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PUBLICATIONS:

BOOKS:

Monographs:

UNPRINCIPLED: THE ERRANT SUPREME COURT (work in progress, expected completion Summer 2026).

FREEDOM'S EDGE: RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, SEXUAL FREEDOM, AND THE FUTURE OF AMERICA (Cambridge Univ. Press 2016). Nominated for a Prose Award.

MARKETING CREATION: THE LAW AND INTELLIGENT DESIGN (Cambridge Univ. Press, 2012).

MASTERS OF ILLUSION: THE SUPREME COURT AND THE RELIGION CLAUSES (NYU Press 2007).

SCHOOL PRAYER AND DISCRIMINATION: THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF RELIGIOUS MINORITIES AND DISSENTERS (Northeastern University Press 1999, paperback edition 2001).

Casebooks and Treatises:

LAW AND RELIGION: CASES, MATERIALS, AND READINGS (5th Ed. with Larry Cata Backer, expected publication Summer 2026) & Teachers Manual. Fourth Edition & Teachers Manual (2021). Third Edition & Teachers Manual (2015). Second Edition & Teachers Manual (2008). First Edition & Teacher's manual (2004).

THE JAPANESE LEGAL SYSTEM, (2nd Ed. West Hornbook Series, 2025) (with Colin Jones and Koji Higashikawa). First Edition (2018) (with Colin Jones).

ADVANCED INTRODUCTION TO LAW AND RELIGION (Edward Elgar in progress, expected 2022).

JAPANESE LAW IN A NUTSHELL (West 2020) (with Colin Jones).

RELIGION AND THE STATE IN AMERICAN LAW (Cambridge Univ. Press 2015) (with the late Boris Bittker & Scott Idelman). This project was supported by a substantial grant from the Lilly Endowment.

EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION LAW (Prentice Hall 2005) (with Pamela Sumners & Janis McDonald).

Edited Volumes:

LAW, RELIGION, AND TRADITION (Springer, 2018) (with Jessica Giles and Andrea Pin).

Series Editor for LAW AND RELIGION IN GLOBAL CONTEXT Series (Springer).

BOOK CHAPTERS:

The United States' Recent Shift from Moderate Separation to Extreme Anti-separationism: Accommodationist-Separationism as a Proposed Alternative, in RELIGION-STATE RELATIONS AND FREEDOM OF RELIGION: EXPLORING DURHAM'S RELIGION IDENTIFICATION LOOP (Elizabeth Clarke, Brett Scharffs & Dmytro Vovk eds., Springer expected 2026).

Religion as Traditional Knowledge and Cultural Expression, in IP AND RELIGION (Enrico Bonadio, Nicola Lucchi & Bryan Khan eds.)(Hart, expected 2026)

The U.S. Supreme Court's New Religious Discrimination Doctrine and The Privileging of Majoritarian Religions, in RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, RELIGIOUS PLURALISM (Brill, Hossain Bhuiyan & Carla Zoethout, eds. in progress, forthcoming 2022).

Traditions Edge: Interactions Between Religious Tradition and Sexual Freedom, in LAW, RELIGION, AND TRADITION (Springer 2018) (with Andrea Pin and J.A. Giles).

The Continued Relevance of Philosophical Hermeneutics in Legal Thought, in THE NATURE OF LEGAL INTERPRETATION WHAT JURISTS CAN LEARN ABOUT LEGAL INTERPRETATION FROM LINGUISTICS AND PHILOSOPHY (Univ. Of Chicago Press, Brian G. Slocum ed. 2017).

Philosophical Hermeneutics in the Age of Pixels: Hans-Georg Gadamer, Peter Tiersma, and Dasein in the Age of the Internet, in SPEAKING OF LANGUAGE AND LAW: CONVERSATIONS ON THE WORK OF PETER TIERSMA (Oxford Univ. Press, 2015).

Religion, Neutrality, and Liberty: Epistemology and Judicial Interpretation, in THE RULE OF LAW AND THE RULE OF GOD (Palgrave MacMillan, Simeon Ilesanmi ed., 2014).

Religion and the Law in American History, in THE COLUMBIA GUIDE TO RELIGION IN AMERICAN HISTORY (Paul Harvey & Edward Blum, eds., Columbia Univ. Press, 2012).

Judicial Interpretation, Neutrality, and the U.S. Bill of Rights, in FREEDOM OF RELIGION UNDER BILLS OF RIGHTS (Paul Babie & Neville Rochow, eds. Univ. of Adelaide Press 2012).

Interpreting Scripture/Interpreting Law, in HERMENEUTICS AND THE AUTHORITY OF SCRIPTURE (Alan Cadwallader, ed., ATF Press 2011).

Law, Religion and Science— Determining the Role Religion Plays in Shaping Scientific Inquiry in Constitutional Democracies— The Case of Intelligent Design, PROCEEDINGS OF THE 1ST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LAW AND SOCIAL ORDER (Addleton Academic Publishers 2011).

Michigan Constitutional Law, in *ESSAYS IN MICHIGAN LEGAL HISTORY* (Paul Finkelman & Martin Herschok, eds., Ohio Univ. Press 2006) (This book received an award from the Historical Society of Michigan).

School Prayer and Discrimination, in *THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM* (Catharine Cookson, Derek Davis, Satvinder Juss, eds., Berkshire/Routledge 2003).

A Crack in The Wall: Pluralism, Prayer and Pain in the Public Schools, in *LAW AND RELIGION: A CRITICAL ANTHOLOGY* (Stephen Feldman ed., NYU Press 2000).

ARTICLES:

Unprincipled, 61 *HOUSTON L. REV.* 517 (2024).

Religion as Cultural Knowledge, Work in Progress with Sean Pager (expected submission 2026).

Contextual Benefits of a Neutral Principles Approach to Religious Property Disputes, 2021 *MSU L. REV.* 1347 (Symposium) (2022).

Complicity and Discrimination, 69 *SYRACUSE L. REV.* 491 (2019).

Be Careful What You Wish For: Why Hobby Lobby Weakens Religious Freedom, 2015 *BYU LAW REVIEW* 55 (2016).

Complimentary or Competing Freedoms: Government Officials, Religious Freedom and LGBTQ Rights, 11 *Fla. Int. L. Rev.* 164 (2015) (symposium).

The Shinto Shrine Cases, Religion, Culture or Both: The Japanese Supreme Court and One Hundred Years of Establishment of Religion Cases, 2013 *BYU LAW REVIEW* 505 (Symposium 2013).

The Unbearable Lightness of Free Exercise Under Smith: Exemptions, Dasein, and the More Nuanced Approach of the Japanese Supreme Court, 44 *TEXAS TECH LAW REVIEW* 259 (2011) (Symposium).

Playing the Proof Game: The Law and Intelligent Design, 113 *PENN STATE LAW REVIEW* 841 (2009).

Intelligent Design in Public Universities: Establishment of Religion or Academic Freedom? 16 *WILLIAM & MARY BILL OF RIGHTS JOURNAL* 1061 (2008) (symposium).

Rights and the Religion Clauses, 3 *DUKE J. OF CONSTITUTIONAL LAW & PUBLIC POLICY* 91 (2008).

Religious Objects as Legal Subjects, 40 *WAKE FOREST LAW REVIEW* 1011 (2005).

Locke v. Davey and the Lose-lose Scenario: What Locke Could Have Said, but Didn't, 40 TULSA LAW REVIEW (2005) (symposium).

A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to Neutrality: Broad Principles, Formalism, and the Establishment Clause, 38 GEORGIA LAW REVIEW 489 (2004).

The Supreme Court's Rhetorical Hostility: What is "Hostile" to Religion Under the Establishment Clause? 2004 BYU LAW REVIEW 1031 (2004) (symposium).

Struggling with Text and Context: A Hermeneutic Approach to Interpreting and Realizing Law School Missions, 74 ST. JOHN'S LAW REVIEW 731 (2000) (symposium).

The Americans With Certain Disabilities Act: Title I Of the ADA and The Supreme Court's Result Oriented Jurisprudence, 77 DENVER UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 119 (2000) (with M. Freeman).

Privatization and Public Employee Pension Rights: Treading in Unexplored Territory, 19 REVIEW OF PUBLIC PERS. ADMINISTRATION 41 (1999) (with W. Lawther).

Creating Chaos in The Name of Consistency: Affirmative Action and The Odd Legacy of Adarand Constructors Inc. v. Pena, 101 DICKINSON LAW REVIEW 281 (1997).

Hostile Work Environment and The Objective Reasonableness Conundrum: Deriving A Workable Framework from Tort Law for Addressing Knowing

Harassment of Hypersensitive Employees, 36 BOSTON COLLEGE LAW REVIEW 257 (1995).

Contextualizing Gender Harassment: Providing an Analytical Framework for An Emerging Concept in Discrimination Law, 1995 DETROIT COLLEGE OF LAW AT MICHIGAN STATE LAW REVIEW 853 (lead article in annual labor law issue).

Beyond Reasonable Accommodation: The Availability and Structure of a Cause of Action For Workplace Harassment Under The Americans With Disabilities Act, 15 CARDOZO LAW REVIEW 1475 (1994).

Balancing Fundamental Disability Policies: The Relationship Between the Americans With Disabilities Act and Social Security Disability, 1 GEORGETOWN JOURNAL ON FIGHTING POVERTY 240 (1994).

ESSAYS:

The Court vs. The Wall, LIBERTY MAGAZINE (May/June 2025).

Philosophical Hermeneutics and the Law, in ELGAR CONCISE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF LEGAL THEORY AND PHILOSOPHY (Edward Elgar, John Linarelli, Ed. 2025).

An Essay on Democracy, The Rule of Law, and the 202 U.S. Presidential Election, 46 NANZAN JOURNAL OF AMERICAN STUDIES 57 (2025).

The 2022 Law and Religion Cases: Losing Faith in the United States Supreme Court, 45 NANZAN REV. OF AMERICAN STUD. 33 (2023).

Free Exercise of Religion in the United States: An Overview of Current Trends, 41 NANZAN REV. OF AMERICAN STUD. 63 (2019).

Piece of Cake: The Masterpiece Cakeshop Case-Point-Counterpoint, 102 JUDICATURE 67 (2018) (with Brett Scharffs).

Secularism and Liberal Constitutionalism: Lessons from Japan, 2017 MICHIGAN STATE L. REV. 149 (2017) (Symposium based on 2016 AALS Section on Law and Religion program).

Visits by the Japanese Prime Minister's to the Yasukuni Shrine Analyzed Under Articles 20 and 89 of the Japanese Constitution, MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL L. REV. 713 (Symposium 2014).

A Basic Introduction to Constitutional Free Exercise of Religion in the United States and Japan, 64 DOSHISHA L. REV. 85 (2014) (special symposium issue dedicated to Taisuke Kamata).

Legal Interpretation/Scriptural Interpretation, 2009 MICHIGAN STATE L. REV. 377 (2010) (symposium).

Religious Freedom and Israeli Law, 57 DRAKE LAW REVIEW 879 (2009) (symposium sponsored by the Drake Constitutional Law Center).

Some Thoughts on Religion, Abstinence Only, and Sex Education in the Public Schools, 26 CHILDREN'S LEGAL RTS. J. 48 (2006) (symposium based on presentations for the AALS Section on Education Law panel at the 2006 AALS Annual Meeting).

I have also written a number of entries for a variety of major blogs and legal encyclopedias, including: SCOTUSBLOG; THE CONVERSATION; THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF CIVIL LIBERTIES; ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES; ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT.

BOOK REVIEWS:

Review of JOYLAN BARAKA THOMAS, FAKING LIBERTIES: RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN AMERICAN OCCUPIED JAPAN (University of Chicago Press 2020), in 64 J. of Church & State ____ (forthcoming 2022).

Review Essay for A SECULAR AGE BEYOND THE WEST (Mirjam Künkler, John Madeley, and Shylashri Shankar eds., Cambridge University Press 2019), in 63 J. of Church & State (2021).

Review of John Witte, Jr., CHURCH, STATE, AND FAMILY: RECONCILING TRADITIONAL TEACHINGS AND MODERN LIBERTIES (Cambridge University Press 2019), in 62 J. of Church & State 183 (2020).

Review of RELIGIOUS FREEDOM AND GAY RIGHTS: EMERGING CONFLICTS IN THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE (Timothy Samuel Shah, Thomas F. Farr and Jack Friedman eds., Oxford University Press, 2016), in 59 J. OF CHURCH & STATE (2018).

Review of HOLY WRIT: INTERPRETING LAW AND RELIGION (Arie-Jan Kwak, ed., Ashgate Publishing 2009), in INTERNATIONAL J. FOR THE SEMIOTICS OF LAW (2011).

Review of Joan Delfattore, THE FOURTH R: CONFLICTS OVER RELIGION IN AMERICA'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS (2004), 67 SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION 112 (2006).

Review of PIETY, POLITICS, AND PLURALISM: RELIGION, THE COURTS, AND THE 2000 ELECTION (Mary C. Segers, ed. 2002), 65 SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION 425 (2004).

Review of GUYORA BINDER AND ROBERT WEISBERG, LITERARY CRITICISMS OF LAW (Princeton Univ. Press 2000), 18 INTERNATIONAL J. FOR THE SEMIOTICS OF LAW (2004).

Can an Old Dog Learn New Tricks? A Nonfoundationalist Analysis of Richard A. Posner's, THE PROBLEMATICS OF MORAL AND LEGAL THEORY, 37 TULSA LAW REVIEW 967 (2002)(invited by the Law Review for Legal Scholarship Symposium issue dedicated to Morton Horwitz).

U.S. SUPREME COURT BRIEFS:

Brief *Amicus Curiae* in support of Pet. for Writ of Cert. in *Hecker v. Deere* (2009).

Brief *Amicus Curiae* of (twenty railway unions) in *Norfolk Southern Railway Co. v. Sorrell* (2006).

Chandler v. Siegelman, brief *Amicus Curiae* of the Interfaith Alliance & Horace Mann League in Support of Petition for Writ of Certiorari (filed January 21, 2000). Result: Certiorari granted, judgement vacated and remanded to Eleventh Circuit for further consideration in light of *Santa Fe Indep. School Dist. v. Doe*.

I have signed on to amicus briefs in most Establishment Clause cases before the United States Supreme Court since 2004. I have also written several articles for symposia on SCOTUSblog.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

July 2002- **Michigan State University College of Law**, East Lansing, MI
Professor of Law and Walter H. Stowers Chair in Law and Religion Director Kyoto Japan Summer Program

Teach Torts, Law & Religion, Constitutional Law I, and Law and Interpretation. Produce scholarly work that addresses important legal, interpretive, and policy issues. Present papers at academic conferences and engage in public speaking on topics such as law & religion, judicial ethics, legal theory, constitutional law, and Japanese constitutional law. Serve as faculty advisor to the Asian/Pacific Law Students Association. Created and direct the Kyoto Japan Summer Program. Have served on numerous faculty committees and tenure advisory committees. Have served as chair of the Faculty Appointments Committee, the Programs Committee, and the Journals Committee. Have also served on the University Graduate Council.

Endowed Chair Awarded in 2010
Promoted to Full Professor in 2005
Granted Tenure in 2004.
Associate Professor of Law July 2002- Feb. 2005

Received: Faculty Appreciation Award from the College of Law Office of Diversity Services (April 2008).

Summer 2007

Brooklyn Law School, Brooklyn, NY *Visiting*

Professor of Law

Taught integrated Constitutional Law course (constitutional law I and II). Continued work on law and religion treatise and second edition of law and religion casebook.

August 2001-
June 2002

Syracuse University College of Law, Syracuse, NY

Visiting Associate Professor of Law

Taught Professional Responsibility, Legislation & Policy: Disability Law, First Amendment Seminar, and Constitutional Law I. Produced scholarly works that address important legal, interpretive, and policy issues. Engaged in conference presentations and public speaking on topics such as law and religion, education law, and constitutional law.

April 2001-
July 2001

Fulbright Scholar, Faculty of Law, Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan

Awarded Fulbright Grant to serve as a Fulbright Scholar on the Faculty of Law at Doshisha University in Kyoto, Japan. Taught courses relating to U.S. constitutional law and law & religion. Engaged in research on comparative civil liberties.

January 1999-
June 2002 (visited at
Syracuse 01-02)

Barry University School of Law, Orlando, FL

Associate Professor of Law

Taught Constitutional Law, First Amendment Law, Jurisprudence, State Constitutional Law, and Employment Discrimination Law. Produced scholarly works that address important legal and policy issues. Engaged in public speaking. Served on faculty recruitment committee and faculty effectiveness committee. Contributed to law school development. Assistant Professor of Law from January 1999 - August 2001.

Awarded Professor of the Year (2000) by the student body.

August 1996-
December 1998

University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL

Assistant Professor of Legal Studies & Legal Studies Coordinator

Taught a variety of courses in the legal studies curriculum, including Contracts, Torts and Professional Ethics. Developed new courses in Legal Hermeneutics and Employment Discrimination Law. Produced scholarly works which address important legal and policy issues. Guest lectured on topics such as law and religion and civil rights law. Named Legal Studies Coordinator August 1997. Served on a number of committees, including faculty council (College of Health and Public Affairs). Taught and developed a capstone course that focused on the First Amendment as an adjunct professor during Spring semester 1999.

August 1994-
July 1996

State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law, Amherst, NY
Lecturer in Law

Taught and developed curriculum for Civil Rights Policy Seminar and legal analysis, research, and writing course (a full year, six credit class). Produced scholarship that addresses important legal and policy issues.

OTHER LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

August 1994-
Present

Periodic consulting work on matters involving First Amendment, civil rights, disability discrimination, and antitrust issues.

September 1993-
May 1994

Representative Leslie Byrne, U.S. House of Representatives, Annandale, VA
Senior Intern for EEO Law

Worked on varied projects involving employment discrimination and other employment/labor matters. Duties included: reviewing and addressing employment and civil rights concerns in regard to constituent matters, briefing district office personnel about EEO law, conducting workshops on EEO law.

September 1991-
August 1993

Capehart & Scatchard, Mount Laurel, NJ
Associate Employment/Labor Department

Represented private and public sector management in employment and labor matters. Dealt extensively with employment discrimination issues under both Federal and State Law. Also assigned to cases and projects involving civil rights, drug testing, school law, separation of church and state, insurance defense and environmental law. Appeared at arbitrations, depositions, settlement conferences; argued motions, produced briefs in federal and state court and before the NLRB, produced memoranda, performed research, had on-going client contact.

Summer 1990

Monteverde, Hemphill, Maschmeyer & Obert, Philadelphia, PA
Summer Associate

Summer 1989

Elzufon, Austin & Drexler, Wilmington, DE
Summer Associate

EDUCATION:

Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C.
LL.M. 1994 (With Distinction)

The Dickinson School of Law, Carlisle, PA
J.D. 1991

Tulane University, New Orleans, LA
B.A. 1987 Double Major: Anthropology and Communication
Awarded Kenneth J. Opat research grant in cultural anthropology

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

New York State Bar Association, Association of American Law Schools (executive committee member and 2013 section chair, Section on Law & Interpretation; program committee member and 2004 Co-Chair of Section on Law & Religion, 2010 Chair of Section on Law & Anthropology), Law & Society Association, Asian Law and Society Association, American Bar Association, Central States Law Schools Association (President 2005), Education Law Association, Association for the Study of Law, Culture and Humanities.

2015-2017, 2007-2009 expert reviewer for the Fulbright Senior Specialists program through the Council for the International Exchange of Scholars.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS/FACULTY WORKSHOPS:

The Current State of Religious Liberty Law and the Protection of Minority Religious Groups in the United States and Japan: A Comparative Perspective, Religious Freedom at Eighty Conference (Sponsored by the University of Texas School of Law Bech-Laughlin First Amendment Center) (Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan December 2025).

Law and Religion in the United States and Japan: Lessons for a Multipolar Era, Navigating Global Complexity: Dynamics of International Law in a Multipolar Era Conference (Jakarta Indonesia via Zoom, December 2025).

The United States' Recent Shift from Moderate Separation to Extreme Anti-separationism: Accommodationist Separationism as a Proposed Alternative, Religion-State Relations and Freedom of Religion Conference (co-sponsored by ICLARS and Oxford University Christ Church College) (Oxford University Christ Church College, UK July 2025).

The End of Separation Between Church and State in the United States? (Hitotsubashi University, Tokyo July 2025).

Challenges to Democracy and the Rule of Law in Trump's America (Nanzan University Center for American Studies, Nagoya, Japan July 2025)

現代アメリカ合衆国の法と宗教-宗教、法、2024 アメリカの選挙 (Religion and Law in the 2024 United States Presidential Election), Keio University (Tokyo Japan, October 2024) (talk given in Japanese to audience at university and broadcast via zoom).

The Many Crimes of Donald Trump: A U.S. Legal Analysis, Nagoya University (Nagoya Japan, July 2024).

What's at Stake in the 2024 U.S. Presidential Election, Nanzan University Center for American Studies (Nagoya, Japan July 2024).

The Current U.S. Supreme Court's Radical Abandonment of Separation of Church and State and Women's Reproductive Freedom, Doshisha University Law School (Kyoto, Japan, December 2023).

Playing with Fire: The U.S. Supreme Court's Abandonment of Separation of Church and State and Reproductive Freedom, Nagoya University (Nagoya Japan, July 2023).

Japanese Perspectives on Human Dignity, Asian Perspectives on Human Dignity Conference, BYU Hawaii (Laie, Hawaii, April 2023) (participation funded by the International Center for Law and Religious Studies).

Keynote Presentation, Ships in the Night: Expansion of the Separation of Politics and Religion in Japan as the U.S. Supreme Court Abandons the Separation of Church and State, Asian Conference on Ethics, Religion and Philosophy (Tokyo, Japan March 2023).

Panel Speaker, Recent Developments Concerning the Separation of Religion and State in Contemporary Japan, Asian Conference on Ethics, Religion and Philosophy (Tokyo, Japan March 2023).

Abortion as a Human Right (Nanzan Univ. American Studies Program, Nagoya Japan December 2022).

Ships in the Night: Expansion of the Separation of Politics and Religion in Japan as the U.S. Supreme Court Turns Its Back on the Separation of Church and State, (Harvard Law School, October 2022).

Religious Challenges to Anti-Abortion Laws After Dobbs and Dobbs' Cherry-picked History and Tradition (ICLARS 6th Annual Meeting, Cordoba Spain Sept. 2022).

Gadamer, Preconceptions, and Socio-legal Meaning in Japan and the U.S.: How American Preconceptions Can Undermine the Ability to Understand Japanese Law (Law and Society Annual Meeting, Lisbon Portugal, July 2022).

Privileging Dominant Religion at the Expense of Religious Minorities and Dissenters: The U.S. Supreme Court's Narrowing of Separation of Church and State and Expansion of Free Exercise and Church Autonomy, (University of Tokyo April 2022).

Keynote Address, Religion and COVID 19 in the U.S.: The Good, the Bad, and the Shocking (IAFOR, Nagoya Japan, Via Zoom March 2022).

Freedom's Edge: Religious Freedom, Complicity Claims, and Discrimination, Big 10 Law School's Speaker Series (Indiana University Maurer School of Law, Bloomington IN, Via Zoom February 2021).

Chaired Panels on Comparative Philosophy and Religion and Philosophy at the Asian Conference of Religion and Philosophy (IAFOR, Tokyo Japan, Via Zoom March 2021).

U.S. Religion Clause Jurisprudence in the 21st Century (Nanzan University Faculty of American Studies and Faculty of Law, Via Zoom May 2021).

Keynote, The "Separation of Church and State" in the United States and "Separation of Politics and Religion" (政治と宗教の分離) in Japan, 16th International Conference on Legal Translation and Interpreting and Comparative Legilinguistics (Poznan, Poland, Via Zoom June 2021).

Religious and Ethnic Minorities: The Japan Model for Handling Diversity and Conflict Over Religion and Ethnic Minorities, 2021 Religion and Rule of Law for Myanmar (Yangon, Myanmar, Via Zoom, July 2021).

Keynote, Law, Religion and Interpretation (Dimitrie Cantimir University, Bucharest, Via Zoom September 2021).

Keynote, Balancing Religious Freedom and LGBTQ Rights in the U.S. and Elsewhere, at Family Institution. Tradition, Reform, Uniformity And Perspectives Conference (Centrul de Cercetari Juridice University, Galati Romania, Via Zoom December 2021).

Law, Religion and Sexual Freedom (Dimitrie Cantimir University, Bucharest, Via Zoom December 2020).

Religious Complicity Claims and Discrimination (Nanzan University Faculty of American Studies and Faculty of Law, Via Zoom May 2020).

Keynote Address, *Religious Complicity and LGBTQ Rights* (Asian Conference on Ethics, Religion, and Philosophy, Via Zoom March 2020).

Law, Religion, Culture and Same-Sex Marriage/Unions in the U.S. and Japan: From State Shinto to Religio-Trumpism, Asian Law and Society Conference (Osaka University, Osaka Japan December 2019).

Law and Religious Freedom in the U.S. and Japan, 2 talks given at the Law and Religious Rights Training Institute sponsored by the Pu Shi Institute for Social Sciences and Peking University (Beijing China July 2019).

Featured Speaker on Panel Titled: *Loving G-d and Our LGBT Neighbor: Ways Forward Culturally and Politically*, Religious Freedom Annual Review: Religious Freedom for a New Generation (BYU Law School, Provo Utah June 2019).

Panel Moderator, *Religious Freedom, The Equality Act, and Its Alternatives*, Religious Freedom Annual Review: Religious Freedom for a New Generation (BYU Law School, Provo Utah June 2019).

The American Constitution at 230 Years: Religion and the U.S. Constitution, Nanzan University Center for American Studies and the Nagoya American Studies Association (Nanzan University, Nagoya Japan June 2019).

Keynote Address, *The Religious and Ethical Void of Trumpism, and the Oddity of Trump Support Among Some Evangelical Christians* (Asian Conference on Ethics, Religion, and Philosophy, Tokyo Japan March 2019).

Law, Religion, and Authoritarianism, European Academy of Religion Conference (University of Bologna, Italy March 2019).

Author Meets Readers, *Freedom's Edge: Religious Freedom, Sexual Freedom and the Future of America*, European Academy of Religion Conference (University of Bologna, Italy March 2019).

Perceiving the World Around Us: The Similarities and Differences Between Law and Religion in Understanding and Ordering Society (Hokkaido University, Japan December 2018).

Religious Harmony and Religious Freedom in Japan, The Law and Politics of Freedom of Religion in Asia, National University of Singapore Law School (Singapore, December 2018) (invitation only conference).

Law, Religion and LGBTQ Rights, Keynote Speech at Law and Social Order Conference, Spiru Haret University (Constanta, Romania, November 2018).

Law and Interpretation at the Intersection of Religion and LGBT Rights, Keynote Speech at Law and Language Conference, Dimitrie Cantemir University (Bucharest Romania, November 2018).

Law and Religion in the U.S., Europe and Japan, series of 4 talks given at the Law and Religious Rights Training Institute sponsored by the Pu Shi Institute for Social Sciences and Peking University (Beijing China July 2018).

Keynote Address, *Law, Religion and Authoritarianism* (Asian Conference on Ethics, Religion, and Philosophy, Kobe Japan March 2018).

Law, Religion, and Authoritarianism: From State Shinto to Religio-Trumpism, Asian Law and Society Conference (National Ciao Tung University School of Law, Hsinchu Taiwan Dec. 2017).

Keynote Speech, *Tradition's Edge: Confronting the Myth that Same-Sex Marriage Can Not Coexist with Religious Traditions*, Law and Mythology Conference (Univ. of Bucharest, Bucharest Romania Nov. 2017).

Keynote Address, *Law, Religion, and Authoritarianism, Conference on Law and Social Order* (Spiru Haret University Law School, Constanta Romania, Nov. 2017).

Law and Religion in Japan: Limited Religiosity but Strong Religious Freedom, American Society of Comparative Law Annual Meeting (American University College of Law, Washington D.C., Oct. 2017).

Law, Religion, and Security in the U.S. and Japan at the Law, Religion, and Security Conference sponsored by the Pu Shi Institute for Social Sciences and Peking University (Beijing China Aug. 2017).

Tradition's Edge: Interactions Between Religious Tradition and Sexual Freedom, European Academy of Religion Zero Conference (University of Bologna, Italy June 2017).

Keynote Address, *Freedom's Edge: Religious Freedom and Transexual Rights* (Asian Conference on Ethics, Religion, and Philosophy, Kobe Japan March 2017).

Freedom's Edge: Balancing Religious Freedom and Sexual Freedom (Sapporo, Hokkaido University Law School, February 2017).

Secularism and Liberal Constitutionalism: Lessons from Japan, Section on Law and Religion, Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting (San Francisco, CA, January 2017).

Freedom's Edge: Religious Freedom and Sexual Freedom in the United States and the Current Marriage Recognition Case Before the Romanian Constitutional Court, Keynote Presentation at the 6th International Conference on Law and Social Order (Spiru Haret Univ., Constanta, Romania, November 2016).

Language Across Law and Culture: An American Reflecting on Japanese Constitutional Law and the Continued Relevance of Philosophical Hermeneutics in Legal Thought (Dimitri Cantimir University, Bucharest, Romania, November 2016).

Freedom's Edge: Religious Freedom, Sexual Freedom, and the Future of America, Restoring Religious Freedom Conference (Emory University Law School, Atlanta, GA, November 2016).

Religious Freedom Issues in the United States and Japan, Conference on Comparative Religious Freedom and the New Vietnamese Religious Freedom Law, sponsored by University of Social Sciences and Humanities Hanoi, The Institute for Global Engagement, and the BYU Law School International Center for Law and Religion Studies (University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Hanoi, Vietnam, September 2016).

Four Presentations Given in five days on a variety of law and religion topics in the United States, Europe, and Japan, at conference on International Law and Religion sponsored by Peking University, the Pu Shi Institute for Social Sciences, and BYU Law School International Center for Law and Religion Studies (Beijing, China August 2016).

Religious Freedom and Transgender Rights in the United States, Keynote speaker at the IAFOR European Conference on Ethics, Religion, and Philosophy (via Skype, Brighton England, July 2016).

The Continued Relevance of Philosophical Hermeneutics in Legal Thought, Legal Linguistics Conference (Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznan, Poland, June 2016).

Freedom's Edge: Religious Freedom and Sexual Freedom in the United States, Keynote speaker at the Sixth Annual Asian Conference on Ethics Religion, and Philosophy (Kobe, Japan March 2016).

Presentation on Japanese *Shuukyō Hojin Ho* (Religious Juridical Persons Act) and U.S. IRS Code Section 501(c)(3) at conference in Taipei Taiwan on the new Taiwanese Religious Corporations Act and the proposed Chinese Religious Freedom Law (Taipei, Taiwan, January 2016).

Complimentary or Competing Freedoms: Government Officials, Religious Freedom and LGBTQ Rights, Symposium by the Fla. Int'l. Univ. L. Rev. (Miami, FL, October 2015).

Three presentations given in four days on a variety of law and religion topics in the United States and Japan at Religion and Law Training Seminar sponsored by University of Social Sciences and Humanities Hanoi, The Institute for Global Engagement, and the BYU Law School International Center for Law and Religion Studies (Hanoi, Vietnam, September 2015).

Religious and Sexual Freedom in the United States, Keynote Presentation at the 5th International Conference on Law and Social Order (Spiru Haret Univ., Constanta, Romania September 2015).

Constitutional Revision in Japan: The Risks for Freedom of Religion and Freedom of Speech, East Asian Law & Society Conference (Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan August 2015)

Spoke on Philosophical Hermeneutics and the Law at Law & Language Symposium held at University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law (May 2015).

Law and Religion in the United States and Japan: A Comparative Perspective (Kyoto Foreign Studies University, Kyoto, Japan June 2015).

Attempts to Revise the Japanese Constitution: Threats to Freedom of Speech and Freedom of Religion, Keynote speaker at the Fifth Annual Asian Conference on Ethics Religion, and Philosophy (IAFOR, Osaka, Japan March 2015).

Chair/Discussant for AALS Section on Law and Interpretation Panel (AALS Annual Meeting, NY, NY, January 2014).

Visits to the Yasukuni Shrine and the Japanese Constitution, Keynote Speaker at The Fourth Asian Conference on Ethics, Religion and Philosophy (IAFOR, Osaka, Japan March 2014).

Religion and Law in the United States and Japan, Keynote Presentation at the 4th International Conference on Law and Social Order (Spiru Haret Univ., Constanta, Romania May 2014).

Four Presentations Given in five days on a variety of law and religion topics in the United States, Japan, Israel, and Europe at Religion and the Rule of Law Conference sponsored by The Institute for Global Engagement, University of Social Sciences and Humanities Hanoi, and Da Nang Foreign Language University, and the BYU Law School International Center for Law and Religion Studies (DaNang, Vietnam, July 2014).

Five Presentations Given in four days on a variety of law and religion topics in the United States and Japan, at conference on International Law and Religion sponsored by the Pu Shi Institute for Social Sciences, Peking University, and BYU Law School International Center for Law and Religion Studies (Beijing, China August 2014).

Delivered two keynote addresses and two smaller talks at two conferences held for a consortium of schools sponsored by The State Autonomous Educational Institution of Higher Professional Education of the City of Moscow (Moscow State Institute for Tourism Industry N.A. Yu.A. Senkevich, Moscow, Russia, November 2013).

Marketing Intelligent Design: The Supreme Court and the Religion Clauses, (Marquette Law School, Milwaukee, WI, October 2013) (spoke as part of faculty speaker series).

Four Presentations Given in four days on a variety of law and religion topics in the United States, Japan, and Israel, at conference on International Law and Religion sponsored by Peking University and BYU Law School (Beijing, China July 2013).

Taxation of Religious Entities in the United States, Japan, and Israel: A Comparative Analysis, Conference on Religious Entities (Pu Shi Institute for Social Sciences, Beijing, China July 2013).

Freedom of Religion Issues under the Japanese Constitution (Osaka University, Osaka, Japan July 2013).

Visits by the Japanese Prime Minister's to the Yasukuni Shrine Analyzed Under Articles 20 and 89 of the Japanese Constitution, at symposium My Keywords for Understanding Japanese Law co-sponsored by Doshisha Law School and the Michigan State University International Law Review (Kyoto, Japan May 2013).

Town of Greece v. Galloway: Legislative Prayer Cases in the United States Supreme Court (Annual Law and Religion Roundtable, Stanford Law School, June 2013).

Interpreting Law, Interpreting Scripture: The Problems of Originalism and Dogma in Legal and Religious Interpretation under the U.S. Constitution, Keynote Presentation at the 3rd International Conference on Law and Social Order (Spiru Haret Univ., Constanta, Romania April 2013).

From New Lawyer to Seasoned Litigator: The Reality of Practice, Legal Education, and Bar Admission in the United States, Presentation Given to Faculty, Students, Members of the Bar and Judges (Spiru Haret Univ., Constanta, Romania April 2013)

Separation of Church and State Under the Japanese Constitution Articles 20 and 89 (presentation given in Japanese), Presentation to Faculty and some graduate students from faculty of Law and Faculty of American Studies (Doshisha University Kyoto, Japan January 2013).

Religion and the 2012 Presidential Election, Presentation given in Japanese to Law, Religion, Political Science, and American Studies faculty and graduate students from Nanzan University and Nagoya University (Nanzan University, Nagoya, Japan July 2012).

Religious Freedom: Free Exercise and Establishment of Religion Under the Japanese Constitution, Presentation to graduate students at Doshisha University (Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan July 2012).

Election Law in the United States, Japan, and Israel: A Comparative Analysis, Conference on Election Law (Peking University Law School and School of Political Science, Beijing, China July 2012).

Five Presentations Given in five days on a variety of law and religion topics in the United States, Japan, and Israel, at conference on International Law and Religion sponsored by Peking University, BYU Law School, and the Communication University of China (Beijing, China July 2012).

Law, Religion and Politics in the United States, Presentation Given to Faculty, Students, Members of the Bar and Judges (Spiru Haret Univ., Constanta, Romania March 2012).

Separation of Powers Under the U.S. Constitution, Keynote Presentation at the 2nd International Conference on Law and Social Order (Spiru Haret Univ., Constanta, Romania March 2012).

The Unbearable Lightness of Free Exercise Under Smith: Exemptions, Dasein, and the More Nuanced Approach of the Japanese Supreme Court, Nootbaar Conference on Law and Religion (Pepperdine University School of Law, Malibu, CA February 2012) (presenting at this conference was by invitation only and included the leading people in the field).

Separation of Powers and Presidential Power in the United States and Separation of Powers in Japan (presented mostly in Japanese), Presentation to Faculty and some graduate students from faculty of Law and Faculty of American Studies (Doshisha University Kyoto, Japan January 2012).

Separation of Powers in the United States and Japan (presented partially in Japanese), Presentation to faculty and students (Nihon University College of Law, Tokyo, Japan December 2011).

Separation of Powers (Sankenbunritsu) in the United States (a small portion of this talk was presented in Japanese), Presentation to faculty and Students (Nanzan Univ. School of Law, Nagoya, Japan October 2011).

Free Exercise Exemptions: The Court, Cultural Embeddedness, Workshop Conference on Law and Religion (Univ. of Colorado Law School, Boulder, CO July 2011).

The Unbearable Lightness of Free Exercise Under Smith: Exemptions, Dasein, and the More Nuanced Approach of the Japanese Supreme Court, Symposium Presentation (Texas Tech. University College of Law, Lubbock, TX May 2011).

Marketing Intelligent Design: Law and the Creationist Agenda, Presentation Given to Faculty, Students, Members of the Bar and Judges (Spiru Haret Univ., Constanta, Romania March 2011)

The U.S. Constitution: Structure and Rights, Presentation to Faculty and Students (Spiru Haret Univ., Constanta, Romania March 2011).

Law, Religion and Science, Faculty Workshop given at Florida International Law School (Miami, FL February 2010).

Marketing Intelligent Design: The Creationist Agenda, Faculty Workshop given at John Marshall Law School, Atlanta, GA November 2010).

Constitutional Structure in the United States Constitution, Presentation to faculty and Students at Nanzan Univ. School of Law, Nagoya, Japan October 2010).

Shifting Justices, Shifting Doctrine? The U.S. Supreme Court on Law and Religion in the Twenty First Century, Presentation to the Faculty of Law and American Studies (Doshisha Univ., Kyoto, Japan July 2010).

Constitutional Interpretation, Keynote Speaker (Petre Andrei University, Iasi, Romania, May 2010).

Religion and Law, Keynote Speaker (Petre Andrei University, Iasi, Romania, May 2010).

Empty Neutrality, Variable Liberty, The Rule of Law, The Rule of God, Sesquicentennial Conference (Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, N.C. March 2010).

The Illusion of Neutrality Under the Religion Clauses to the United States Constitution, Presentation to the Faculty of Law and American Studies (Doshisha Univ., Kyoto, Japan Jan. 2010).

Marketing Creation: The Law & Intelligent Design, International Roundtable on the Semiotics of Law (Hong Kong, Hong Kong 2009).

Masters of Illusion: The United States Supreme Court and the Religion Clauses, Cultural and Religious Freedoms Under a Bill of Rights Conference, (Canberra, Australia August 2009).

Battles of Human Origins Under the Religion Clauses of the First Amendment, Cultural and Religious Freedoms Under a Bill of Rights Conference, (Canberra, Australia August 2009).

Marketing Creation, The Law, Public Schools and Intelligent Design, 16th Annual Education Law Conference (Portland, Maine July 2009).

Marketing Creation: The Law & Intelligent Design, Fourth Conference on Translation, Interpreting and Comparative Legi-Linguistics (Poznan, Poland July 2009).

Navigating Religious Pluralism: The Hermeneutics of Religious Diversity, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Denver, CO May 2009).

Marketing Creation: The Law and Intelligent Design, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Denver, CO May 2009).

Religious Freedom and Academic Freedom: Contradictions and Commonalities, Academic Freedoms-Academic Responsibilities Conference, Ben Gurion University (Beer Sheva, Israel May 2009).

Religious Freedom and Israeli Law, Global Perspectives on Religion, the State, and Constitutionalism symposium, Drake University Constitutional Law Center (Des Moines, IA April 2009).

Interpreting the Religion Clauses of the United States Constitution, Doshisha University Faculty of Law and Faculty of American Studies (Kyoto, Japan January 2009).

Education and the Religion Clauses, Preconference Session, Education Law Association Annual Meeting (San Antonio, TX November 2008).

Intelligent Design, The Establishment Clause and the Public Schools, Education Law Association Annual Meeting (San Antonio, TX November 2008).

Playing the Proof Game: Intelligent Design and the Law, Central States Law Schools Association Annual Meeting (Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL October 2008).

The Hermeneutics of Liberal Democracy and Natural Rights Discourse, What's the Big Deal About Democracy? Conference, Center for Applied Politics, Philosophy and Ethics, University of Brighton (Brighton, England September 2008).

Intelligent Design and the Public Schools: Reinventing Paley's Watchmaker, Education Law Institute (Portland, Maine July 2008).

Religion, Pluralism and Society, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Montreal, Quebec June 2008)

Intelligent Design and Public Universities, Socio-Legal Studies Association Annual Meeting (University of Manchester, England March 2008).

Intelligent Design in Public Universities: Establishment of Religion or Academic Freedom? Symposium at William & Mary School of Law (Williamsburg, VA November 2007).

Masters of Illusion: The United States Supreme Court and Religion, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Berlin, Germany July 2007).

Chair/Discussant of panel called, *Managing Religious Pluralism Through Law*, also presented paper on panel called, *Rights and the Religion Clauses*, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Berlin, Germany July 2007).

Chair of panel called, *Legal Discourse: The Search for Legitimacy*, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Berlin, Germany July 2007).

Masters of Illusion: Neutrality, Religion, and the Transformation of Majoritarian Rule into a Right, Law, Culture, and Humanities Association Annual Meeting (Washington, D.C., March 2007).

Current Issues in Religion and Education, Education Law Association Annual Conference (Paradise Island, Bahamas, October 2006)

Understanding the Debate Over Intelligent Design Theory, Education Law Conference (Portland, ME August 2006).

Religion Clause Update, Education Law Conference (Portland, ME August 2006).

Conceptions of Religion in U.S. Constitutional Law, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Baltimore, MD July 2006).

Chair of panel called, *Alternatives to Law's Rigid Choices*, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Baltimore, MD July 2006).

Current Issues in Law and Religion (panel with Brett Scharff's from BYU), Commonwealth Education Law Conference (Charlottesville, VA March 2006).

The Meanings of Separation, Law, Culture, and Humanities Association Annual Meeting (Syracuse, NY March 2006).

Planned and oversaw the Central States Law Schools Association Annual Meeting in my role as President of the organization (East Lansing, MI, November 2006).

Presenter for AALS Section on Education Law Panel called: *Clash of the Titans: Sex, Religion and Morality in Americas Schools*, AALS Annual Meeting (Washington, D.C., January 2006).

Contemporary Issues in Law and Religion: The Ten Commandments, Inaugural Faculty Student Forum at the Syracuse University College of Law (Syracuse, NY September 2005).

Religion Update, Two Presentations at the Education Law Conference (Portland, ME August 2005).

Interpreting the Religion Clauses, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Las Vegas, NV June 2005).

Chair/Discussant for panel called, *Traveling Narratives and the Law*, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Las Vegas, NV June 2005) (panel organized by Angela Harris).

Building on Shadows: The Supreme Court, The Religion Clauses and the Failure to Justify Principles, Presented at Faculty Workshop at the Michigan State University College of Law (East Lansing, MI June 2005).

Playing with Paradigms: Manufactured Principles and the Religion Clauses, Law, Culture, and Humanities Association Annual Meeting (Univ. of Texas, Austin, TX March 2005) (also panel chair).

Religious Objects as Legal Subjects, Faculty Workshop given at the Penn State University, Dickinson School of Law (Carlisle, PA March 2005).

The United States Supreme Court, A Series of Lectures Delivered at the Universidad Panamericana College of Law (Guadalajara, Mexico February 2005).

Religious Objects as Legal Subjects, Central States Law Schools Association Annual Meeting (Univ. of Akron College of Law, Akron, OH October 2004).

Judging by and for the Dominant: Religious Objects as Legal Subjects, Association for the Sociology of Religion (San Francisco, CA August 2004).

The Faith Based Future: Some Concerns About the Charitable Choice Provisions of the "No Child Left Behind Act", Education Law Conference (Portland, ME July 2004).

Religious Objects as Legal Subjects: The Ten Commandments, Creches, and Legal Interpretation, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Chicago, IL May 2004).

Chair/Discussant for panel called, *Liberties in the Age of the Crusade Against Terrorism*, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting (Chicago, IL May 2004).

Religious Objects as Legal Subjects, Law, Culture, and Humanities Association Annual Meeting (Univ. of Connecticut School of Law, Hartford, CT March 2004).

Chair/Discussant for panel called, *Conceptualizing Foundational Metrics*, Law, Culture, and Humanities Association Annual Meeting (Univ. of Connecticut School of Law, Hartford, CT March 2004).

Presenter for AALS Section on Law and Religion panel called: *One Nation Under God/Unity, Diversity, and Neutrality Under the Religion Clauses* (Atlanta, GA January 2004).

Proof and Neutrality Under the Religion Clauses, International Society for the Social Scientific Study of Religion Conference (Norfolk, VA October 2003).

Broad Principles, Formalism, and the Establishment Clause, Central States Law Schools Association Annual Meeting (Univ. of Toledo College of Law, Toledo, OH September 2003).

Neutrality and the Voucher Debate, Education Law Institute (University of New England, Portland, ME July 2003).

Presenter, *Is There Objectivity in Law and Does It Matter? A Roundtable*, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Pittsburgh, PA June 6, 2003).

A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to Neutrality: Broad Principles, Formalism, and the Establishment Clause, Virginia Education Law Conference (Williamsburg, VA April 24, 2003).

Speaker, *President's Forum on Affirmative Action* (Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI March 2003).

Moderator for AALS Section on Law & Religion panel called: *Religion, Identity and Politics in a Global Perspective*, AALS Annual Meeting (Washington, D.C. January 2003).

Judicial Interpretation and the Free Exercise Clause, Faculty Brown Bag (Michigan State University-DCL College of Law, East Lansing, MI October 2002).

Law & Religion, Faculty Workshop (Appalachian School of Law, Grundy, VA October 2002).

Nonfoundationalism, Judicial Interpretation and the Free Exercise Clause, Faculty Workshop (Hofstra University School of Law, Hempstead, NY September 2002).

Questionable Baselines: Judicial Interpretation and the Free Exercise Clause, Central States Law Schools Association Annual Meeting (University of Kentucky College of Law, Lexington, KY September 2002).

Education Policy Meets the Supreme Court: Zelman, Education Policy, and the Constitutionality of Vouchers (Education Policy Center, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI September 2002).

Supreme Court Update, 2002 Education Law Institute (Franklin Pierce Law Center, Concord, N.H. August 2002).

Exploring Baselines in Judicial Decisions: A Hermeneutic Approach to Understanding Unstated Judicial Presumptions, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Vancouver, B.C. May 2002).

Evaluating Judicial Presumptions in Free Exercise Clause Jurisprudence, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Vancouver, B.C. May 2002).

Baselines: Judicial Projections, Rights Trade-offs, and Interpretation in Religion Clause Jurisprudence, 2001-2002 Inaugural Faculty Presentation (Syracuse University College of Law, Syracuse, NY September 2001).

Supreme Court Update, 2001 Education Law Institute (Franklin Pierce Law Center, via teleconference July 2001).

Current Issues Regarding Affirmative Action and A Review of the 2000 Presidential Election in Florida, Speech Given at the Nanzan American Center Under the Auspices of the Nagoya American Center and Nanzan University (Nanzan University, Nagoya, Japan June 2001).

Panelist for panel on Academic Freedom and Free Speech, Conference on Academic Freedom (University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL January 2001).

Critical Liberalism: Myths, Rights-Trade Offs, and Interpretation in Religion Clause Jurisprudence, Central States Law Schools Association Annual Meeting (John Marshall Law School, Chicago, IL October 2000).

Religion in the Public Schools: Frequently Asked Questions, 2000 Education Law Institute (Franklin Pierce Law Center, Concord, NH July 2000).

Critical Liberalism and the Religion Clauses of the First Amendment, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Miami Beach, FL May 2000).

Chair/Discussant for panel entitled: *Ritual and Practice in Religion and Law*, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Miami Beach, FL May 2000).

Struggling with Text and Context: A Hermeneutic Approach to Interpreting and Realizing Our Missions, Symposium for the Third National Conference of Religiously Affiliated Law Schools (St. John's Univ. School of Law, Jamaica, NY July 2000).

Religious Discrimination Workshop, 1999 Education Law Institute (Franklin Pierce Law Center, Concord, NH August 1999).

The Religious Right and the Rhetoric of Victimization: School Prayer, Historical Distortions, and the Demonization of Religious Minorities and Dissenters, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Chicago, IL May 1999).

Chair for panel entitled: *Religion, Law and Politics*, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Chicago, IL May 1999).

Public School Prayer, The Christian Right, and Latent Anti-Semitism, 30th Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies (Boston, MA December 1998).

Studying the Discrimination Facilitated by School Prayer: Using Research from Other Disciplines to Enrich Legal Scholarship, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Snowmass, CO June 1998).

Pluralism, Prayer & Pain: Public School Religious Exercises and the Facilitation of Hatred, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (St. Louis, MO May 1997).

Civil Rights, Anti-Discrimination Law and Church/State Principles: The Retaining Wall Between Church and State, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Glasgow, Scotland July 1996).

Chair/Discussant for panel called: *Discrimination and Resistance to Discrimination*, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Glasgow, Scotland July 1996).

Creating Chaos in the Name of Consistency: Affirmative Action and the Odd Legacy of Adarand Constructors, Inc. v. Pena, 50th Annual Conference of The New York State Political Science Association (Ithaca, NY March 1996).

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS:

People Kill People but People with Guns Kill Alot More People: Comparing Gun Deaths in the United States and Other G-7 Countries, Presentation for MSU FLAG-V (November 2025).

Speech, Safety, & The First Amendment: The Antisemitism Debate: First Amendment Limits and the Definition of Antisemitic Hate Speech in the Aftermath of October 7, 2023, Presentation at MSU Federalist Society Panel (October 2025).

MSU Law's Kyoto, Japan Summer Program Information and Discussion, MSU APALSA meeting (October 2025).

A Conversation with MSU Law Professor Frank S. Ravitch, MSU Law Diversity and Equity Services Office Diversity Month talk (April 2025)

Taught a seminar about U.S. Law and Religion for professors and graduate students from global universities when I was at Oxford University to speak at a conference sponsored by ICLARS (International Center for Law and Religious Studies) and Oxford University Christ Church College.

The End of Separation Between Church and State? Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys (October 2025).

Comparative Analysis of Gun Laws in the U.S. and other Countries including Japan, Australia, Singapore, South Korea, and some EU nations, Forum Presentation for MSU FLAG-V, October 2024.

Hobby Lobby Case Debate, MSU Federalist Society Program (September 2024) (I debated David Snyder from American University who supports the *Hobby Lobby* decision).

Kennedy v. Bremerton and Carson v. Makin: The US Supreme Court's Disastrous 2022 Law and Religion Decisions, Just Liberty Podcast (via zoom livestreamed, Nov. 2023).

Spoke on panel about the SCOTUS 2022-2023 term sponsored by the MSU College of Law.

Commentator on talk by Dr. David Potter on US Food Banks, Nanzan University Center for American Studies (in Japanese) (Nagoya Japan, July 2023).

Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization and SCOTUS' Attack on Reproductive Rights, Network Nova, Virginia (January 2023 via zoom).

Spoke on two panels on the SCOTUS 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 term sponsored by the MSU College of Law.

Speaker on Panel called, *Hate is a Virus: Anti-Asian Violence and Hatred*, sponsored by APALSA and MSU Law ACLU (Via Zoom April 2021).

Speaker on Panel called, *Permissible or Impermissible: A Conversation About the Establishment Clause*, sponsored by MSU Law ACLU (Via Zoom April 2021).

Speaker for Panel on called, *LGBTQ+ Issues and the Law in Asia* sponsored by APALSA and the Triangle Bar Association (Via Zoom April 2021).

Speaker for Panel addressing LGBTQ rights in North Asia sponsored by APALSA (Via Zoom December 2020).

Speaker on Panel About Originalism sponsored by MSU College of Law American Constitution Society and Federalist Society (East Lansing, MI January 2020)

Establishment of Religion and the Supreme Court's Religion Clause Doctrines, MSU College of Law ACLU Chapter (East Lansing, MI November 2019).

American Tort Law, MSU VIPP Program (East Lansing, MI April 2018).

Keynote Panel, *The Importance of Religious Freedom to Human Autonomy*, Interfaith Religious Freedom Conference (Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral, Detroit MI Nov. 2017).

Balancing Religious Freedom and Sexual Freedom, Interfaith Religious Freedom Conference (Univ. of Detroit Mercy Law School, Detroit MI Nov. 2017).

U.S. Employment Discrimination Law (Konan University Business School, Kobe Japan June 2017) (sponsored by Konan University Business School).

Guest Lecture for Sex, Religion, & Public Policy Senior Seminar (MSU, James Madison College, East Lansing MI February 2017).

Freedom's Edge: Religious Freedom, Sexual Freedom, and the Future of America (Schuler's Books, Okemos, MI, January 2017).

Religious Tolerance and Preventing Islamophobia, MSU Islamic Studies Class taught by Professor Khalil Mohammad (East Lansing, MI, February 2016).

Spoke at Michigan teacher's conference about religion issues in the public schools (Troy, MI, October 2015).

Spoke on panel about the Hajj for the MSU LL.M. Program (November 2015).

Featured Speaker at *Beyond Coexistence: Is it Possible, Interfaith Event* (East Lansing, MI March 2015).

Spoke about abortion rights in the U.S. and Japan at MSU College of Law LL.M. Program on Abortion Rights (MSU College of Law, November 2014).

Presented Keynote Introduction and Discussion of Judaism at Community Forum: Religion and the 2012 Presidential Election (Islamic Center of East Lansing, April 2012).

Spoke as part of Religion and Politics in America Event sponsored by the Michigan State University Department of Religious Studies and Department of Political Science (MSU, East Lansing, MI January 2012).

International Association of Law Schools Conference on Constitutional Law (Washington, D.C. September 2009).

The Dream Unrealized: The U.S. Supreme Court and Race, Featured Speaker for MSU Law Martin Luther King Memorial event (East Lansing, MI April 2008).

The Justices of the United States Supreme Court, a Redux, Program sponsored by the Michigan State University College of Law American Constitutional Society (East Lansing, MI, September 2007).

Speaker for Diversity Week, Michigan State University College of Law (East Lansing, MI, February 2007).

The Justices of the United States Supreme Court, Program sponsored by the Michigan State University College of Law American Constitutional Society (East Lansing, MI, September 2006).

Testified before Michigan House Education Committee on behalf of the ADL and Michigan Jewish Conference regarding intelligent design theory bill in Michigan House of Representatives (Lansing, MI June 2006).

Religion and the Law Update, Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys Annual Meeting (Lansing, MI, April 2006).

Cutting Edge Issues in Law and Religion and the First Amendment, Presentation for the Greater Lansing Jewish Welfare Federation (East Lansing, MI, October 2005).

Testified before Michigan House Operations Committee on behalf of the ADL and Michigan Jewish Conference regarding Ten Commandments legislation proposed in Michigan House of Representatives (Lansing, MI March 2005).

Religious Symbolism in the Public Sphere, Talk Sponsored by the MSU Jewish Law Students group (Michigan State University College of Law, East Lansing, MI February 2005).

Moderator and Respondent for Presentation by Michael Stokes Paulsen, Co-sponsored by the Federalist Society and the MSU chapter of the ACLU (Michigan State University College of Law, East Lansing, MI January 2005).

Law & Religion, Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys Meeting, (Mackinaw Island, MI October 2004).

Public Schools and the Creationism/Evolution Debate, Philosophy Seminar, Lyman Briggs College at Michigan State University (East Lansing, MI October 2002).

School Prayer and Discrimination, Kehillat Israel Soup and Schmooz (Okemos, MI September 2002).

Vouchers: Zelman and the Current Law Pertaining to Government Aid to Private Schools (Michigan State University College of Education, East Lansing, MI September 2002).

Are Vouchers Constitutional? Zelman and the Court's Religious Aid Jurisprudence, Supreme Court Seminar (Franklin Pierce Law Center, Concord, N.H.- via teleconference February 2002).

Religion in Public Schools: Recent Developments in the Law, Orange County Bar Association Seminar entitled: Topics of Interest for Teachers (Orlando, FL February 2001).

Keynote Speaker for the *We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution* State Competition (Orlando, FL January 2001).

Recent Developments in Church/State Law, First Unitarian Church of DeLand (DeLand, FL June 2000).

Religion in the Public Schools, Orange County Bar Association Seminar entitled: After Columbine: Protecting Our Students Without Violating the Constitution (Orlando, FL February 2000).

Law and Religion: A Constitutional Context, South Orlando Haddasah (Orlando, FL January 2000).

Public School Religious Exercises and Anti-Catholic Violence in the 1840's: Some Lessons Learned and Modern Parallels, Faculty Presentation at Barry University of Orlando School of Law (Orlando, FL November 1999).

Law and Diversity in Modern America: A Civil Rights Perspective, University of Central Florida (Orlando, FL October 1999).

Religious Discrimination: The Discontinuity of Law and Psychology, Guest Lecturer, University of Central Florida Psychology Program (Daytona Beach, FL October 1999).

The Constitution and Religion in the Public Schools, Congregation Beth Am Sunday Connection Breakfast (Longwood, FL October 1999).

Book Signing and Presentation on Religious Discrimination, Barnes and Noble Bookstore, UCF (Orlando, FL September 1999).

The Current Threat to Religious Pluralism in Our Public Schools, First Unitarian Church of DeLand (DeLand, FL September 1999).

Religion and the Psychology of Diversity, lecture to University of Central Florida Psychology of Diversity Class (Daytona Beach, FL July 1999)

School Prayer, The Constitution and Religious Discrimination in the Public Schools, Orlando Kiwanis Club (Orlando, FL June 1999).

Book Signing and Presentation on Religious Discrimination, Borders Bookstore (Oviedo, FL June 1999).

Religious Freedom and Discrimination, Jewish War Veterans (Orlando, FL May 1999).

Religion & Public School: Where Do We Draw the Line, Orange County Bar Association Seminar entitled: Public Schools and the Law: Topics of Interest for Teachers (Orlando, FL February 1999).

The Separation of Church and State and Modern Legal Norms, Free Inquiry Society of Central Florida (Orlando, FL January 1999).

Religion in the Public Schools, Jewish Federation of Greater Orlando Community Relations Committee Public Forum (Orlando, FL December 1998).

Moderator for panel entitled: *Nursing Homes: An Industry in Crisis*, University of Central Florida (Orlando, FL November 1998).

Public Religious Exercises & Discrimination Against Religious Minorities, PROJENET (Orlando, FL October 1998).

Primary presenter for UCF Diversity Week Faculty Colloquium Series panel on Affirmative Action (Orlando, FL October 1998).

School Prayer and Religious Discrimination, UCF Diversity Week Faculty Colloquium Series panel (Orlando, FL October 1998).

Facilitator for UCF Diversity Week Faculty Colloquium Series Panel entitled: *Political Parties and Gender Priority: Partisan Needs* (Orlando, FL October 1998).

Using Hermeneutics to Understand Substantive Disciplines, UCF Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning breakfast series (March 1998).

Mentor for faculty participants, 1998 UCF Faculty Development Institute (Summer 1998).

Panelist for UCF University Wide Diversity Week panel entitled: *Affirmative Action-Mend It or End It?* (Fall 1997).

Panelist for Diversity Week Panel on Affirmative Action sponsored by the UCF Public Administration Department (Fall 1997).

Sexual Harassment Law, Florida Association of Occupational Licensing Officials Annual Meeting (through the Florida Institute of Government, January 1997).

BROADCAST APPEARANCES:

Numerous Broadcast Appearances from July 2005 to present. Number of broadcast appearances too numerous to list. Only appearances through 2005 listed here.

WILX (NBC) Interviewed regarding the Supreme Court's decisions in the Ten Commandments cases, June 27, 2005 11:00p.m. News.

WSYM (NBC/FOX) Interviewed regarding the Supreme Court's decisions in the Ten Commandments cases, June 27, 2005 10:00p.m. News.

WSYM (NBC/FOX) Interviewed regarding A call to prayer issue in Hamtramck, July 20, 2004.

WSYM (NBC/FOX) Interviewed regarding the possibility of postponing the Presidential election in the event of a terrorist attack, June 19, 2004.

WTKO (Radio) Interviewed regarding constitutional freedoms and the war on terror after the 2nd and 9th circuit decisions regarding detainees at Guantanamo Bay, December 19, 2003.

WILX (NBC) Interviewed regarding the Supreme Court's decisions in the University of Michigan affirmative action cases, June 23, 2003 11:00 p.m. News.

WSYM (NBC/FOX) Interviewed regarding the Supreme Court's decisions in the University of Michigan affirmative action cases, June 23, 2003 10:00p.m. News

KMYL (NBC Radio, Phoenix, AZ) Interview on the Rick Bloom Show regarding the Supreme Court's decisions in the University of Michigan affirmative Action cases, June 23, 2003

WKMG (CBS) Interviewed regarding Florida school prayer bill, February 6, 1999 6:00 p.m. News.

WDBO (Radio) Interviewed regarding landmark school prayer case, June 25, 2000.
WFTV (ABC) Interviewed regarding the 2000 Presidential Election, Nov. 9, 2000 5:30 p.m. News.

WFTV (ABC) Interviewed regarding the 2000 Presidential Election, Nov. 10, 2000 5:30 p.m. News.

WFTV (ABC) Interviewed regarding the 2000 Presidential Election, Nov. 13, 2000 5:30 p.m. News.

WKMG (CBS) Interviewed regarding the 2000 Presidential Election, Nov. 15, 2000 11:00 p.m. News.

WKMG (CBS) Legal analyst regarding the 2000 Presidential Election, Nov. 16, 2000 5:00; 5:30, and 11:00 p.m. News.

WKMG (CBS) Legal Analyst regarding the 2000 Presidential Election, Nov. 17, 2000 5:00 and 5:30 p.m. News.

WKMG (CBS) Legal Analyst regarding the 2000 presidential Election, Nov. 20, 2000 5:30 and 11:00 p.m. News.

News Channel 13, Interviewed about the 2000 Presidential Election, Nov. 20, 2000.

WESH (NBC) Interviewed regarding the potential outcomes of the 2000 Presidential Election, Dec. 1, 2000 Morning News.

WKMG (CBS) Legal Analyst regarding the case before the U.S. Supreme Court in the 2000 Presidential Election, Dec. 1, 2000 5:00 and 5:30 p.m. News.

WKMG (CBS) Interviewed regarding the possible roll of the Florida Legislature in the 2000 Presidential Election, Dec. 3, 2000 11:00 p.m. News.

WKMG (CBS) Legal Analyst regarding the 2000 Presidential Election, Dec. 4, 2000 5:00 p.m. News.

WKMG (CBS) Legal Analyst regarding the 2000 Presidential Election and the possible roll of the U.S. Supreme Court, Dec. 8, 2000 5:00 p.m. News.

WKMG (CBS) Legal Analyst regarding the decision of the United States Supreme Court in *Bush v. Gore*, Dec. 12, 2000, 11:00 p.m. News and Dec. 13, 2000 Morning News.

I have been interviewed by newspapers around the country about a variety of legal issues and have served as an expert on religion issues for the *School Superintendent's Insider*.

BAR ADMISSIONS:

New York, Pennsylvania, United States Supreme Court, United States District Court for the District of New Jersey

OTHER EXPERIENCE:

Jack Frost Mountain, White Haven, PA
Ski Instructor; 1987-88 Season

Cato Johnson/Young & Rubicam Advertising & Promotions, New York, NY
Account Coordinator; May 1987 - December 1987

Peter A. Mayer Advertising Agency, New Orleans, LA *Intern*;
August 1986 - May 1987