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EXPERIENCE

Vermont Law School, South Royalton, VT

Professor of Law, July 2017 – Present

- Food Regulation and Policy (Fall 2012-Present) – Semester long course developed to address the laws and regulations governing food in the United States
- Legislation and Regulation (Fall 2013-Present) – Semester long course taught to first year students on the legislative and regulatory system
- Regulating the Marine Environment (Fall 2017) – Semester long upper level course addressing ocean and coastal law and policy
- Administrative Law (Spring 2018) – Semester long upper level course addressing administrative law and procedure

Senior Faculty Fellow for Food Law and Policy, Center for Agriculture and Food Systems (CAFS), Fall 2016 – Present

- Directed the National Gleaning Project and Blueprint for a National Food Strategy Project (in partnership with the Harvard Food Law and Policy Clinic);
- Developed the food and agricultural law and policy residential and distance learning curriculum;
- Supervise and work with the clinical transactional attorney, fellows, policy consultants, research assistants, student interns, and volunteers;
- Engage in fundraising and development and communicate with funders;
- Assist with organizing symposia, outreach, and educational programs related to the advancement of food law and policy; and
- Work closely with the faculty fellows and staff of CAFS.

Associate Professor of Law, July 2009 – July 2017

- Food Regulation and Policy (Fall 2012-Present) – Semester long course developed to address the laws and regulations governing food in the United States
- Legislation and Regulation (Fall 2013-Present) – Semester long course taught to first year students on the legislative and regulatory system
- Advanced Writing for Food and Agricultural Law (Spring 2017) Semester long course that results in the production of a publishable paper on a topic related to food and agricultural law
- Advanced Writing for Dispute Resolution (Summer 2011-Summer 2013) – Semester long course that results in the production of a publishable paper on a topic related to dispute resolution
- Communications, Advocacy, and Leadership (formerly Environmental Writing II/Environmental Writing and Advocacy) (Spring 2007-Spring 2014) – Semester long course developed for students receiving the M.E.L.P. degree. Students draft legislation, FOIA requests, public comment letters, letters of inquiry to potential funders, and a public communications campaign
- Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiation (Spring 2009-Spring 2012) – Semester long course with second and third year law students. Students practice interviewing and counseling clients, then perform simulations of negotiations and mediations

Associate Director, Center for Agriculture and Food Systems, 2013 – 2015

- Directed the National Gleaning Project and Blueprint for a National Food Strategy Project (in partnership with the Harvard Food Law and Policy Clinic);
- Conceived of and directed the Food Labeling Site Project that culminated in the creation of the Labels Unwrapped website;
- Worked closely with the CAFS Director to help plan and oversee all aspects of the Center for Agriculture and Food Systems;
- Developed the food and agricultural law and policy residential and distance learning curriculum;
- Supervised and worked with the clinical transactional attorney, fellows, policy consultants, research assistants, student interns, and volunteers;
- Engaged in fundraising and development to develop major projects;
- Assisted with organizing symposia, outreach, and educational programs related to the advancement of sustainable food and agricultural law and policy; and
- Worked closely with the faculty fellows and staff of CAFS.

Assistant Professor of Law, July 2007-July 2009

- Environmental Writing I and II
- Interviewing Counseling and Negotiation

Director of M.E.L.P. and L.L.M. Internship Program, July 2007-July 2010

Disability Law Project, Vermont Legal Aid, Inc., Rutland, VT

Staff Attorney, October 2004 – August 2010

- Represented clients with disabilities in matters involving discrimination due to disability, protection of rights, and access to health care and covered services;
- Appeared in Family, Probate and Superior courts, as well as before administrative bodies, in cases involving special education, abuse and neglect, guardianship, access to community mental health services, violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and general issues related to health law;
- Appointed to Vermont Human Rights Committee; and
- Participated in various state task forces to draft legislation, identify systemic issues and related solutions and provide outreach to educate the public about disability related issues.

Superior Court of New Jersey, Burlington County, Mount Holly, NJ

Judicial Law Clerk to the Honorable Marie E. Lihotz, August 2003 – August 2004

- Researched family law issues, drafted trial decisions and tentative orders pending oral argument; and
- Served as court mediator and mediated several custody disputes to resolution.

Office of the Attorney General, Environmental Unit, Montpelier, VT

Law Clerk, May 2002 – August 2002

- Drafted briefs for submission to the Vermont Supreme Court in addition to other legal pleadings.

Vermont Law School, South Royalton, VT

Dean's Fellow, September 2002-December 2002

- Selected to teach legal research and writing to first law students.

Vermont Law School, South Royalton, VT

Teaching Assistant to Environmental Law Librarian, July 2001-May 2003

EDUCATION

Vermont Law School, South Royalton, VT

Juris Doctor, May 2003

- Dean's Fellow

Rutgers College, New Brunswick, NJ

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science and English, May 1999

- Dean's List

SCHOLARSHIP

Articles

The Sustained Rise of Regulatory Gray Matter (in progress).

Retooling American Foodralism – Am. J.L. & Med. – (2018).

Making the Case for a National Food Strategy, 72 Food & Drug L.J. 225 (2017).

Regulating Inherently Subjective Food Labeling Claims, 47 Env'tl. Law. 543 (2017).

Using Urban Agriculture to Grow Southern New England, in CONNECTICUT PLANNING (Co-authored with Sara C. Bronin, Marie Mercurio, and Sorell E. Negro) (September 2015).

Forging Toward Coexistence, 91 Neb. L. Rev. 767 (2013).

Generally Recognized as Safe: Analyzing Flaws in the FDA's Approach to GRAS Additives, 37 Vt. L. Rev. 887 (2013), invited submission.

Balancing Food Safety and Burdens on Small Farms, Natural Resources and Environment, ABA Section of Environment, Energy and Resources (Fall 2013).

Milking It: Reconsidering the FDA's Refusal to Require Labeling of Dairy Products Produced from rBST Treated Cows in Light of International Dairy Foods Association v. Boggs, 23 Fordham Env'tl. L. Rev. 110 (Spring 2012).

The Importance of the Right to Representation in a Contested Guardianship Proceeding, 32 Vermont Bar Journal 44 (Summer 2006), invited submission.

Book Chapters

Breaking Down Barriers to Local Food Distribution in Urban Centers, in URBAN AGRICULTURE: POLICY, LAW, STRATEGY, AND IMPLEMENTATION 227-245 (Lawrence Belcher, Martha Harrell Chumbler, & Sorell Elizabeth Negro eds. 2015).

Agricultural Biotechnology and NAFTA: Analyzing the Impacts of U.S. and Canadian Policies on Mexico's Environment and Agriculture, in NAFTA AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT: THE HISTORY, EXPERIENCE, AND PROSPECTS FOR IMPLEMENTATION 169-190 (Hoi L. Kong & L. Kinvin Wroth eds. 2015).

Policy Papers

Blueprint for a National Food Strategy, with the Harvard Food Law and Policy Clinic as part of a grant funded project through the Kellogg Foundation, 2017.

Models for Success: A Set of Case Studies Examining Gleaning Efforts Across the United States, with Amber Leasure-Earnhardt and Carrie Scrufari as part of a grant funded project through the National Agricultural Library of the United States Department of Agriculture, 2017.

PRESENTATIONS

Yale Food Systems Symposium, “Notes from the Field of Food Law and Policy,” Panel Speaker, Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies (February 2018).

Taking Stock: Canada’s Second Annual Food Law and Policy Conference, “Blueprint for a National Food Strategy,” Panel Speaker, University of Ottawa Law School (November 2017).

Texas A & M Law School’s Annual Law Review Symposium, “The Overhaul of SNAP and Nutrition Programs,” Invited Panel Speaker, Texas A & M Law School (October 2017).

Food and Drug Law Institute’s Food Advertising Labeling and Litigation Conference, “Recent Trends in Food Policy,” Keynote Speaker, Jones Day (September 2017).

21st Century Food Law: What’s on Our Plates, “Regulating Inherently Subjective Food Labeling Claims,” Panel Speaker, Lewis and Clark Law School (April 2017).

Food and Drug Law Journal Annual Symposium, “Blueprint for a National Food Strategy,” Keynote Co-Speaker, Georgetown Law School (November 2016).

New Jersey Annual Gleaning Summit, “National Gleaning Project,” Invited Speaker (September 2016).

University of Vermont Food Systems Summit, “Don’t Waste Good Food: Gleaning for Food Security,” Panel Organizer and Speaker, University of Vermont (June 2016).

Texas A and M Law Review Annual Conference, Farm to Table, Agriculture Law in the Era of Sustainability, “Growing Access to Local Food in Urban Centers,” Invited Panel Speaker, Texas A and M Law School (October 2015).

Southern New England American Planning Association Annual Conference, “Using Urban Agriculture to Grow Southern New England,” Invited Panel Presenter (September 2015).

University of Vermont Food Systems Summit, “Geopolitical Contexts,” Moderator (June 2015).

Yale Food Systems Symposium, “The New Foodralism,” Individual Presenter (October 2014).

Summer Academy in Global Food Law and Policy, “The Impact of FSMA on the Global Food Supply,” Invited Scholar, Spain (July 2014).

New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, “Three Dimensions of the Climate Crisis,” Invited Panel Speaker (April 2014).

Vermont Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Annual Meeting, “Food Labeling for Health Care Professionals,” Speaker (April 2014).

Drexel Law School Health Law Society Lecture, “Hot Topics in Food Labeling,” Invited Speaker, Drexel Law School (February 2014).

Yale Center for Environmental Policy Frontiers in Food and Agriculture Series, “The [In]significance of the Monsanto Rider to the Farm Bill,” Invited Speaker (January 2014).

Food and Drug Law Institute Conference on Food Advertising: Claims, Litigation and Strategies Conference, “Regulation of Food Advertising in 2013-2014: The Natural Label,” Invited Panel Speaker (November 2013).

American Agricultural Law Association Annual Conference, “The New Food Movement: Gleaning, Liability, and FSMA,” Invited Panel Speaker (October 2013).

Colloquium on Environmental Scholarship, “Agricultural Biotechnology and NAFTA: Analyzing the Impacts of U.S. and Canadian Policies on Mexico’s Environment and Agriculture”, Panel Speaker, Vermont Law School (October 2013).

Emerging Issues in Food Law Symposium, “The Monsanto Rider: Codifying Common Practice?,” Invited Panel Speaker, Regent University School of Law (September 2013).

Disclosure Debates Symposium, Food and Product Labeling Panel, Moderator, Vermont Law School (September 2013).

Joint Workshop on Sustainable Development, The Submissions Process and Cross-Boundary Energy Issues, Center on Environmental Cooperation Secretariat, “Agricultural Biotechnology and NAFTA: Analyzing the Impacts of U.S. and Canadian Policies on Mexico’s Environment and Agriculture,” Invited Panel Speaker, McGill University Law School (June 2013).

New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, “Three Dimensions of the Climate Crisis”, Invited Panel Speaker (April 2014).

Dartmouth College Masters in Public Health Program Lecture, “Food Safety in the United States” (February 2013), Dartmouth College.

Colloquium on Environmental Scholarship, Moderator, Vermont Law School (October 2012).

Vermont Law School's Inaugural Conference on Agriculture and Food Systems, “Public Health Issues Related to Food Production and Consumption,” Invited Panel Speaker, Vermont Law School (September 2012).

Hot Topics in Food and Agriculture, “The Future of Coexistence,” Invited Panel Speaker, Vermont Law School Faculty Roundtable (July 2012).

After Irene: Law and Policy Lessons for the Future Symposium, “Dealing with Disaster in the Era of Climate Change,” Moderator, Vermont Law School (April 20, 2012).

Public Interest Lawyering, Invited Panel Speaker, Dartmouth College (February 2012).

Legal Writing Institute One Day Workshop Series, “Using Public Comments to Teach Non-Traditional ‘Legal’ Writing”, Panel Presentation (December 2011).

MEDIA

Vermont Public Radio, "Vermont Law School, Harvard Release Food Strategy Blueprint" (March 2017).
VT Digger, "Researchers at Vermont Law School Call for U.S. National Food Strategy" (March 2017).
Food Navigator, "US Food System is Inefficient, Researchers Say, So They Created a Food Strategy Blueprint" (March 2017).
VT Digger, "Salvation Farms Study Finds Staggering Food Loss from Vermont Farms" (July 2016).
Eating Matters Podcast, "Steak a Claim" (October 2015).
Mother Jones, "Chipotle Says It Dropped GMOs" (September 2015).
Climate Wire, "Businesses Learn There Are Tax Incentives to Help Them Recycle Mountains of Food" (July 2015).
Valley News, "Food Notes: A Modern Take on an Old-Time Product" (July 2015).
Health Affairs, "The FDA's Determination on Trans Fat: A Long Time Coming" (June 2015).
E & E Greenwire, "GMO Labeling Initiatives Fall Short in Colo., Ore." (November 2014).
Earth Island Journal, *Missouri's Right to Farm Amendment Has Family Farmers Worried* (October 2014).
Christian Science Monitor, *Vermont, Food Industry Begin Court Fight Over GMO Label Law* (June 2014).
POLITICO, *Vermont Poised to Pass GMO Labeling Law* (April 2014).
Montpelier Bridge, *Law to Farmer* (April 2014).
North Country Public Radio, *What You Need to Know About Vermont's GMO Bill* (May 2014).

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

State Bar of New York, Admitted 2003
State Bar of Vermont, Admitted 2004
Vermont Bar Association
American Association of Law Schools, Agriculture and Food Law Section, Executive Committee Member, 2012-2014, 2017 - Present
Food and Drug Law Institute, Academic Program Committee Member, April 2014-April 2017, January 2018 - Present
New Economy Law Center, Senior Fellow, September 2015 – Present
Academy of Food Law and Policy, Outreach Committee, Co-Chair, 2017 - Present

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

Faculty Representative to Board of Trustees, 2017 - Present
Member, Dean's Budget Committee, 2017 - Present
Chair, Dean's Advisory Committee, 2016-Present
Committee Member, Dean's Advisory Committee, 2015-2016
Committee Member, Faculty Development Committee, 2015 - 2017
Faculty Advisor, Student Philanthropy Advisors Program, 2015 – 2017
Faculty Advisor, Negotiation and Client Counseling Teams, 2007-2012
Faculty Advisor, National Animal Law Moot Court Team, 2013-2014
Student Note Advisor, ongoing
M.E.L.P. Curriculum Reform Advisor, 2011-2012

PUBLIC SERVICE

Salvation Farms, Board President, 2015 – 2017, Board Member, 2017 - 2018

Vermont Higher Education Food Systems Consortium, Member, 2013-Present
Vermont Food Safety Task Force, Member, 2011-2013