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### EDUCATION

#### ***Juris Doctor, University of California – Berkeley (Boalt Hall) (1986)***

Honors or High Honors Grades in Seventeen of Twenty-One Courses  
Executive Editor, *California Law Review*  
Associate Editor, *Industrial Relations Law Journal*

#### ***Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, Magna Cum Laude, Loyola Marymount University (1983)***

Alpha Sigma Nu (Jesuit Honor Society for approximately the top 1% at Jesuit Institutions)  
Pi Gamma Mu (National Social Science Honor Society)  
Intercollegiate Debate (Ranked 10<sup>th</sup> Nationally and Placed at 35 Tournaments)

### CURRENT POSITION

#### ***Associate Dean for International Programs & Professor of Law, University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Law; Associate Professor (1999-2004); Assistant Professor (1993-99); Associate Dean (2007 and continuing)***

As Associate Dean, responsible for supervision of international programs, including summer programs to China, Ireland and Oxford; for evaluating new international exchange programs; and for developing policies and curriculum for the international LLM program. Also responsible for recruitment, student advising, and administrative oversight of the LLM program.

As faculty member, currently teach Introduction to American Law and Culture and Torts. Previously taught Alternative Compensation Systems (Advanced Torts), Appellate Advocacy, Civil Procedure, Economics and the Law, Environmental and Toxic Torts, Federal Jurisdiction, Insurance Law, Introduction to Law & Lawyering – International, Introduction to American Legal Skills, and was co-advisor to the Moot Court program

Honors and Awards: Daniel L. Brenner Faculty Scholar (2010 and continuing)  
Graduate and Doctoral Faculty (2002-2007)  
Tiera M. Farrow Faculty Scholar (2001-03)  
Elmer P. Pierson Outstanding Teaching Award (1997)

### OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

#### ***Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Law [50% FTE 2005-07]***

Responsible for self-study and accreditation review, promoting faculty development, overseeing courtroom renovation, progress on strategic initiatives, and oversight of international programs, including developing an LLM program for foreign lawyers.

#### ***Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, Division of Academic Affairs, University of Missouri – Kansas City (2003-07) [75% FTE 2003-05, 50% FTE 2005-07]***

Responsible for faculty hiring, annual reviews, and promotion and tenure; responsible for diversity initiative for faculty hiring; chair of campus promotion and tenure committee; worked on individual issues of faculty productivity and performance; Academic Grievance Officer for

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Campus; responsible for approval of extra compensation requests for faculty; liaison to Campus Faculty Senate; advised Provost on issues such as academic dishonesty as required.

Previous duties included: responsible for 3-year initiative to bring faculty compensation to appropriate market levels; liaison to taskforce to revise faculty roles and rewards policies and responsible for implementation of recommendations; designed and negotiated implementation of promotion and tenure reforms to make process more transparent; responsible to oversee process to prioritize top university academic programs; responsible for development of substantive content of strategic plan for the Provost's office; reviewed and suggested revisions to academic unit strategic plans and workload policies; liaison for Provost on accreditation issues and Dean Search for School of Law; director for New Faculty Teaching Scholars program; responsible for supervising and organizing campus-wide "Day of Learning" and "Celebrate UMKC"; member of Provost's Senior Leadership Team, Provost's Leadership Team, Dean's Council, Chancellor's Cabinet and Chancellor's Extended Cabinet

### ***Faculty Associate, Division of Academic Affairs, University of Missouri – Kansas City*** (2002-03) [50% FTE]

Worked on special projects assigned by the Provost, including: supervising and approving changes to the University catalog; drafting and conferring with Athletics Department and Faculty Senate about a new Campus Attendance Policy; participation in internal promotion and tenure reviews and in revision of promotion and tenure procedures and guidelines; participation in review of management, funding and revenue sharing for continuing education programs; participation in developing performance incentives for professional schools; reviewing and advising on faculty workload policy

## **OTHER TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### ***Fulbright Lecturer, Immanuel Kant State University, Kaliningrad, Russia*** (Spring 2010)

Courses: American Legal Method, U.S. Tort Law

### ***Visiting Faculty, University of Connecticut School of Law*** (June Term 2002)

Course: Principles of Insurance

### ***Fulbright Lecturer, Nankai University, Department of Law, Tianjin, China*** (1999-2000)

Courses: Insurance Law, Civil Procedure, Torts, Law & Economics

### ***Adjunct Professor, Loyola Law School (Los Angeles)*** (Spring 1993)

Course: Insurance Law

### ***Bigelow Teaching Fellow and Lecturer in Law, University of Chicago Law School*** (1991-92)

Course: Legal Research and Writing

## **LEGAL PRACTICE**

### ***Associate, Irell & Manella, Newport Beach, California*** (1987-91, 1992-93)

Commercial and insurance coverage litigation, including all aspects of pretrial litigation and trial and appellate work

### ***Law Clerk, Honorable M. Joseph Blumenfeld, U.S. District Court, Hartford, Connecticut*** (1986-87)

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### PUBLICATIONS

#### Works-In-Progress

*Should TRIA be renewed?*

*Rule of Law with Chinese Characteristics: An Empirical Cultural Perspective on China, Hong Kong and Taiwan*

*The Standard for Breach of a Liability Insurers' Duty to Settle*

*Customary Law in Afghanistan and the Rule of Law*

*Credit Default Swaps, the Collapse of AIG and Insurance: Hedging Should not be Regulated as Insurance*

*Reasonable Expectations in Insurance: The King is Dead; Long Live the King*

*Ambiguity and Insurance Policy Interpretation*

#### Journal Articles

*Insurance and Cultural Perspectives on Katrina*, 19 WASH. & LEE J. CIV. RTS & SOC J. 57 (2012) (prepared for Symposium on Racial Disparities in the Disaster Context)

*Insurance Perspectives on Federal Financial Regulatory Reform: Addressing Misunderstandings and Providing a View from a Different Paradigm*, 55 VILL. L. REV. 773 (2010)

*Insurance Law Between Business Law and Consumer Law*, 58 AM. J. COMP. L. 351 (2010) (U.S. report prepared in response to questionnaire for the 18<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Comparative Law on Commercial Law)

*Terrorism Insurance: What is the Government's Role?* 15 CONN. INS. L. J. 183 (2008) (prepared for the Searle Center Research Symposium on Insurance Markets and Regulation at Northwestern University Law School) (with Thomas Russell)

*The Indemnity Principle: Evolution from a Financial to a Function Paradigm*, 10 J. OF RISK MANAGEMENT & INS. 30 (Thailand) (2005) (with Brad Wilson)

*Harry Potter and the Law*, 12 TEX. WESLEYAN L. REV. 427 (2005) (a collection of short essays from a panel discussion at a Law and Literature conference in Gloucester, England) [with Benjamin H. Barton, Joel Fishman, Daniel Austin Green, Timothy S. Hall, Andrew P. Morriss, James Charles Smith, Aaron Schwabach, and Danaya Wright]

*Exclusion of Terrorist Related Harms from Insurance Coverage: Do the Costs Justify the Benefits?*, 36 IND. L. REV. 397 (2003) (part of a Symposium on the Law and Economics of Providing Compensation for Harm Caused by Terrorism held at Georgetown Law Center)

*Insurance Implications of Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> and Possible Responses*, 35 URBAN LAW. 727 (2002)

*Crisci v. Sentry Insurance Company: The Dawn of the Modern Era of Insurance Bad Faith and Emotional Distress Damages*, 2 NEV. L. J. 415 (2002)

*The Role and Powers of the Chinese Insurance Regulatory Commission in the Administration of Insurance Law in China*, 27 GENEVA PAPERS ON RISK AND INS. 413 (2002)

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*Legal Culture and “the practice”*: A Postmodern Depiction of Rule of Law in America 48 UCLA L. REV. 1495 (2001)

*A Pragmatic Approach to Meaning in Defamation Law*, 34 WAKE FOREST L. REV. 333 (1999)

*An Interdisciplinary Critique of the Reasonable Expectations Doctrine*, 5 CONN. INS. L. J. 295 (1998)

*A Case Study of Bad Faith Refusal to Settle: A Doctrinal, Normative and Practical Analysis of Missouri Law*, 64 UMKC L. REV. 695 (1996)

*Statements of Fact, Statements of Opinion, and the First Amendment*, 74 CALIF. L. REV. 1001 (1986)

### Books & Treatises

NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE LIBRARY EDITION, Volumes 7 & 8 (LexisNexis/Matthew Bender & Co.: Newark) (2012) (Editor-in-Chief)

NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE LIBRARY EDITION, Volumes 5 & 6 (LexisNexis/Matthew Bender & Co.: Newark) (2011) (Editor-in-Chief)

HARRY POTTER & THE LAW, EDITOR (WITH FRANKLIN SNYDER) (Carolina Academic Press) (2010)

NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE LIBRARY EDITION, Volumes 3 & 4 (LexisNexis/Matthew Bender & Co.: Newark) (2010) (Editor-in-Chief)

NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE LIBRARY EDITION, Volumes 1 & 2 (LexisNexis/Matthew Bender & Co.: Newark) (2009) (Editor-in-Chief)

NEW APPLEMAN INSURANCE LAW PRACTICE GUIDE, Volumes 1, 2 & 3 (LexisNexis/Matthew Bender & Co.: Newark) (2007) (Editor-in-Chief)

UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED MOTORIST INSURANCE, 3d ed., Volumes 1, 2 & 3 (Lexis Nexis Matthew Bender & Co.: San Francisco) (2005) (with Alan I. Widiss)

### Chapters & Supplements

*Civil Procedural Systems: Pro and Contra – American Report*, in CIVIL PROCEDURE IN CROSS-CULTURAL DIALOGUE: EURASIA CONTEXT (Moscow: Statut, Dmitry Maleshin, ed., 2012) (Conference Book of the International Association of Procedural Law for 2012 World Conference) (in Russian and English)

*2012 Supplement*, Volumes 1-3, UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED MOTORIST INSURANCE, by ALAN I. WIDISS & JEFFREY E. THOMAS (LexisNexis Matthew Bender & Co.: San Francisco, Rev. 3d ed.)

*Making and Amending of Constitutions: Comparative and Rule of Law Perspectives on Turkey’s Constitutional Reform*, in A Route Map of a New Constitution for Turkey (AHD: Istanbul, Fatih Ozturk, ed., 2012) (in Turkish; English translation forthcoming 2013)

*2011 Supplement*, Volumes 1-3, UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED MOTORIST INSURANCE, by ALAN I. WIDISS & JEFFREY E. THOMAS (LexisNexis Matthew Bender & Co.: San Francisco, Rev. 3d ed.)

*2010 Supplement*, Volumes 1-3, UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED MOTORIST INSURANCE, by ALAN I. WIDISS & JEFFREY E. THOMAS (LexisNexis Matthew Bender & Co.: San Francisco, Rev. 3d ed.)

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*Insurance Policy Interpretation*, Chapter 5 in Vol. 1, NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE LIBRARY EDITION (LexisNexis/Matthew Bender & Co.: Newark) (2009)

*2009 Supplement*, Volumes 1-3, UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED MOTORIST INSURANCE, by ALAN I. WIDISS & JEFFREY E. THOMAS (LexisNexis Matthew Bender & Co.: San Francisco, Rev. 3d ed.)

*The Practice: Debunking Television Myths and Stereotypes* in LAWYERS IN YOUR LIVING ROOM! LAW ON THE SMALL SCREEN (Michael Asimow, ed., ABA Press, 2009)

*Terrorism Insurance: Issues of Policy, Regulation and Coverage* in NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE, CURRENT CRITICAL ISSUES IN INSURANCE LAW (monograph) (2008)

*2008 Supplement*, Volumes 1-3, UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED MOTORIST INSURANCE, by ALAN I. WIDISS & JEFFREY E. THOMAS (LexisNexis Matthew Bender & Co.: San Francisco, Rev. 3d ed.)

*Spotting Issues in Particular Practice Areas*, Chapter 29 in Vol. 3, NEW APPLEMAN INSURANCE LAW PRACTICE GUIDE, Volumes 1, 2 & 3 (LexisNexis/Matthew Bender & Co.: Newark) (2007)

*2007 Supplement*, Volumes 1-3, UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED MOTORIST INSURANCE, by ALAN I. WIDISS & JEFFREY E. THOMAS (Lexis Nexis Matthew Bender & Co.: San Francisco, Rev. 3d ed.)

*The Scope of the Obligation to Pay Claim Expenses* in NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE, CURRENT CRITICAL ISSUES IN INSURANCE LAW (monograph) (2007)

*Ambiguity and Insurance Policy Interpretation* in NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE, CURRENT CRITICAL ISSUES IN INSURANCE LAW (monograph) (2006)

*2006 Supplement*, Volumes 1-3, UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED MOTORIST INSURANCE, by ALAN I. WIDISS & JEFFREY E. THOMAS (Lexis Nexis Matthew Bender & Co.: San Francisco, Rev. 3d ed.)

*2005 Supplement*, Volumes 1-3, UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED MOTORIST INSURANCE, by ALAN I. WIDISS & JEFFREY E. THOMAS (Lexis Nexis Matthew Bender & Co.: San Francisco, Rev. 3d ed.)

*2003 Supplement*, Volumes 1-3, UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED MOTORIST INSURANCE, by ALAN I. WIDISS (Anderson Publishing Co.: Cincinnati, Rev. 2d ed.)

*2002 Supplement*, Volumes 1-3, UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED MOTORIST INSURANCE, ALAN I. WIDISS (Anderson Publishing Co.: Cincinnati, Rev. 2d ed.)

*Murder One*, in PRIME TIME LAW: FICTIONAL TELEVISION AS LEGAL NARRATIVE (Robert M. Jarvis & Paul R. Joseph eds., Carolina Academic Press, 1998)

*Construction of Insurance Contracts*, Chapter 16, THE LAW OF LIABILITY INSURANCE (Matthew Bender & Co. New York: New York 1995)

*Formation of Liability Insurance Policies*, Chapter 4A, THE LAW OF LIABILITY INSURANCE (Matthew Bender & Co. New York: New York 1994)

### Continuing Legal Education Materials

*The Terrorism Risk Insurance Act: An Industry-Government Partnership*, ABA ANNUAL MEETING MATERIALS (ABA 2008)

*Insurance Coverage for Defective Construction: an Introduction* (KCMBA 2003) [with Lara M. Owens]

*Ethical Considerations for the Defense Attorney* (KCMBA 1999)

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*To Insure or Not to Insure: the Contribution of Insurer Ambivalence to Transaction Costs in Construction Defects Insurance Coverage Litigation* for ABA CONSTRUCTION DEFECT LITIGATION CONFERENCE MATERIALS (ABA 1998)

*The Complex Nature of Construction Litigation: the Historical Evolution of a Transaction Costs Problem*, ABA ANNUAL MEETING MATERIALS (ABA 1997)

*Annotated Outline for General Liability Insurance*, CORPORATE AND BUSINESS INSURANCE (UMKC CLE 1996)

*Annotated Outline for General Liability Insurance*, FUNDAMENTALS OF COMMERCIAL INSURANCE (UMKC CLE 1995)

*Selected Developments in Civil Actions*, ANNUAL LAW UPDATE (MoBar CLE 1994)

### Selected Other Publications

*Working Group 3 Final Report*, Salzburg Seminar Session 480, *The Rule of Law in a Globalized World: Why it Matters*, August 23-28, 2011 (General Reporter)

*The Terrorism Risk Insurance Act: An Industry-Government Partnership*, THE BRIEF (quarterly magazine published by the Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section of the ABA), Summer 2009, at 24.

*The US Model for Terrorism Insurance: an Analysis*, PROCEEDINGS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AND COUNTERACTING TERRORISM CONFERENCE (Lomonosov Moscow State 2007)

*Insurance for Terrorism: Analyzing the US Model*, ELEVENTH ANNUAL APRIA CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS (Asia Pacific Risk and Insurance Association 2007)

*Expert Commentary*, New Appleman Premium Checklists (2007-08) (available on LexisNexis)

*White Paper on Renewal of TRIA (Terrorism Risk Insurance Act)*, as Reporter for the American Bar Association Tort & Insurance Practice Section Task Force on Federal Involvement in Insurance Regulation Modernization (March 6, 2006)

*Regulation of Crop Insurance Agents*, a chapter in *Review of Insurance Regulatory Systems*, a Report for the US Department of Agriculture prepared under a Federal Grant by the Center for Risk Management and Insurance Research, Georgia State University (2005)

*Update on the Terrorism Risk and Insurance Act of 2002*, OCCURRENCES (Newsletter of the AALS Section on Insurance Law) (Fall 2003)

*Background on the ISO Terrorism Exclusions*, OCCURRENCES (Newsletter of the AALS Section on Insurance Law) (Fall 2002)

*Financial Services in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: the Perspective of Insurance*, Remarks from the Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, 21 ANNUAL REVIEW OF BANKING LAW 315 (2002)

*An American Law Professor in China: Thoughts on the Future of the Rule of Law*, THE FRONTIER OF SCIENCE OF SOCIETY (May 2001) (in Chinese)

*Chinese Insurance Law and the WTO*, CREATING A COMPETITIVE EDGE IN INSURANCE FOR THE EMERGING ECONOMY (Asia Pacific Risk & Insurance Association Conference Papers 2001)

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*Access to the Chinese Insurance Market*, PROCEEDINGS OF THE INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE SOCIETY (International Insurance Society 2001)

*Charles Evans Whittaker: In Pursuit of Perfection*, 60 THE ADVANCE SHEET 1 (Newsletter of the Lawyers Association of Kansas City) (Jan. 2001)

*From the Journals: Insurance Law Abstracts*, 7 CONN. INS. L.J. 665 (2001), 7 CONN. INS. L.J. 313 (2000), 6 CONN. INS. L.J. 511 (2000), 6 CONN. INS. L.J. 187 (1999), 5 CONN. INS. L.J. 815 (1999), 5 CONN. INS. L.J. 475 (1998), 4 CONN. INS. L.J. 843 (1998), 4 CONN. INS. L.J. 443 (1997) (Editor)

*Charles Evans Whittaker*, in UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT (Salem Press 2000)

*Law and Economics for the Appellate Practitioner*, in Newsletter of the Appellate Advocacy Committee, Tort and Insurance Practice Section, ABA (Fall 1999)

*Insurance Law and Insurance Defense*, in MAGILL'S LEGAL GUIDE (Salem Press 1999)

*Internet Insights – Interesting Websites*, OCCURRENCES (Newsletter of the AALS Section on Insurance Law) (Fall 1999)

*Selected Recent Case Developments*, OCCURRENCES (Newsletter of the AALS Section on Insurance Law) (Fall 1997)

*Report on the 1996 Insurance Law Program—Mass/Toxic Torts, Insurance Law and Insurance Law Pedagogy*, OCCURRENCES (Newsletter of the AALS Section on Insurance Law) (Spring 1996)

*Internet Insights: Risknet - An Internet Mailing List Devoted to Risk and Insurance Issues*, OCCURRENCES (Newsletter of the AALS Section on Insurance Law) (December 1995)

*Selected Recent Cases*, OCCURRENCES (Newsletter of the AALS Section on Insurance Law) (December 1995)

### Other Publication Activities

*Adviser*, PRINCIPLES OF LIABILITY INSURANCE, AMERICAN LAW INSTITUTE (2010 and continuing)

*Editor-In-Chief*, THE NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE (LexisNexis Matthew Bender & Co.) (2006 and continuing)

*Advisory Board Member*, INSURANCE LAW CENTER (2008-12)  
(<http://law.lexisnexis.com/practiceareas/insurance>)

*Peer Reviewer*, GENEVA PAPERS ON RISK AND INSURANCE – ISSUES AND PRACTICE (2008); CONNECTICUT INSURANCE LAW JOURNAL (2007-2008, 2009-2010)

*Board of Editors*, CGL REPORTER (published by the International Risk Management Institute) (Fall 2004 – Spring 2006)

*Legal Abstracts Advisor*, CONNECTICUT INSURANCE LAW JOURNAL (2001-2006)

*Contributing Editor*, CONNECTICUT INSURANCE LAW JOURNAL (1997-2001)

*Editor*, OCCURRENCES (Newsletter of the AALS Section on Insurance Law) (1995-2000)

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### SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

#### Domestic – Academic Presentations

*Insurance and Cultural Perspectives on Katrina*, RACIAL DISPARITIES IN THE DISASTER CONTEXT, Symposium for Washington & Lee Journal of Civil Rights and Social Justice, Lexington, Virginia, March 16, 2012

*Credit Default Swaps, the Financial Crisis, and Insurance*, THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS, SECTION ON INSURANCE LAW, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 8, 2010

*Insurance Perspectives on Federal Financial Regulatory Reform*, VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL SYMPOSIUM ON FINANCIAL REGULATORY REFORM, Philadelphia, October 10, 2009

*Reflections of a Mid-Career, Part-Time Comparativist*, Annual Meeting of the American Society of Comparative Law, Bristol, Rhode Island, October 3, 2009

*Government Support for the Terrorism Insurance Industry: Where do we go from here?*, RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM ON INSURANCE MARKETS AND REGULATION, sponsored by the Searle Center on Law, Regulation and Economic Growth, Northwestern University, Chicago, Illinois, April 15, 2008 (paper presentation with Thomas Russell)

*Emerging Public Policy Issues and Research Issues*, RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM ON INSURANCE MARKETS AND REGULATION, sponsored by the Searle Center on Law, Regulation and Economic Growth, Northwestern University, Chicago, Illinois, April 15, 2008 (panel discussant)

*Where is the National Debate on Insurance Catastrophic Risks Headed?*, INSURING CATASTROPHIC LOSSES: THE STATUS OF TRIA AND PROPOSED NATIONAL DISASTER BACKSTOPS, (Co-sponsored by Wiley Rein & Fielding and the Connecticut Insurance Law Center, University of Connecticut School of Law), Washington, D.C., November 15, 2006 (invited panelist)

*Lessons Learned from Abroad*, CATASTROPHIC RISK INSURANCE: THE SEARCH FOR LONG-TERM SOLUTION, (Co-sponsored by Wiley Rein & Fielding and the Connecticut Insurance Law Center, University of Connecticut School of Law), Washington, D.C., March 23, 2006 (moderator)

*Law and Lawyering on Television: propaganda or not?*, UMKC CENTER FOR CREATIVE STUDIES LECTURE SERIES ON CREATIVE PROPAGANDA & THE ART OF PERSUASION, Kansas City, Missouri, April 13, 2005 (invited lecture)

*Planning and Executing a Model for Institutional Transformation: UMKC's Emerging Future as Case Study*, 2004 National Learning to Change Conference, American Association of Higher Education, San Diego, California, April 1, 2004 (with Jennifer Spielvogel)

*Teaching with Socio-economics*, Presenter, Socio-Economics, Peace and Justice, THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS, SECTION ON SOCIO-ECONOMICS, Atlanta, Georgia, January 3, 2004

*Insurance and Compensation after September 11<sup>th</sup>: A Dialogue with the Special Master of the Victims Compensation Fund*, THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS, SECTION ON INSURANCE LAW, Washington, D.C., January 5, 2003 (Moderator and Organizer)

*Exclusion of Terrorist-Related Harms From Insurance Coverage: Do the Costs Justify the Benefits*, Paper Presentation, CONFERENCE ON LAW & ECONOMIC OF PROVIDING COMPENSATION FOR HARMS CAUSED BY TERRORISM, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C., April 19, 2002



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*Financial Services in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: An Insurance Perspective*, Invited Presentation, THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS, SECTION ON FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND CONSUMER FINANCIAL SERVICES, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 5, 2002

*Using Socieconomics in Teaching Torts*, Moderator and Presenter, THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS, SECTION ON SOCIO-ECONOMICS, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 3, 2002

*Legal Culture and “the practice”*: A Postmodern Depiction of Rule of Law in America, Multimedia Presentation, UCLA Law Review Symposium: Law and Popular Culture, UCLA School of Law, Los Angeles, California, February 23, 2001

*A Socio-Economic Analysis of Insurance Policy Interpretation*, Paper Presentation, TULANE CONFERENCE ON SOCIO-ECONOMICS AND BINARY ECONOMICS, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 6, 1999

*An Interdisciplinary Critique of the Reasonable Expectations Doctrine*, Invited Presentatoin, THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS, INSURANCE LAW SECTION, San Francisco, California, January 7, 1998

### Domestic – Presentations to Lawyers or Students

*Experts in Insurance: Roles and Rules*, Missouri Bar CLE, Kansas City, Missouri, December 3, 2009

*Insurance Policy Interpretation and the New Appleman Library Edition*, LexisNexis Coffee Break Webinar Series, October 29, 2009

*Contractual Indemnification Provisions: Insurance and Non-Insurance Considerations*, the Karl E. Holderle Lecture (invited endowed lecture), Missouri Society of Health Care Attorneys Health Law Seminar, Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri, November 6, 2008

*The Terrorism Risk and Insurance Act: TRIA’s Nuts and Bolts and Lessons*, Invited Presentation, ABA Annual Meeting, New York, New York, August 8, 2008

*Insurance Litigation Tips in a Soft Market*, Panel Discussion, Third Annual Lathrop & Gage State of Litigation Conference, Lathrop & Gage L.C., Kansas City, Missouri, May 1, 2008

*Terrorism Insurance*, New Appleman Insurance Coverage Webinar, sponsored by Mealy’s, April 9, 2008

*Insurance Counsel’s Ethical Duties in Light of the Insurer’s Obligation to Act in Good Faith*, Invited Presentation, Harris McCausland & Schmitt Annual CLE Retreat, Overland Park, Kansas, April 5, 2008

*Renewal of TRIA*, Presentation to the Leaders of various insurance committees of the Tort Trial and Insurance Section of the American Bar Association, THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION, Honolulu, Hawaii, August 4, 2006

*TRIA and Prospects for the Future of Federal Involvement in Terrorism Insurance*, CURRENT ISSUES IN INSURANCE REGULATION, Continuing Legal Education Program co-sponsored by the ABA Tort and Insurance Practice Section and the Bar of the City of New York, New York, New York, April 28, 2006

*Dean’s Panel Discussion – Communication with Administration*, Panelist, ABA LAW STUDENT DIVISION, ABA ANNUAL MEETING, Chicago, Illinois, August 5, 2005

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*Insurance Issues*, Presentation, PUBLIC POLICY DISCUSSION ON TORT REFORM: THE REASONABLE MIDDLE A TOWN HALL MEETING, A UMKC School of Law Town Hall Meeting for Legislators Lawyers, Judges, Insurance Professionals, Health Care Professionals and Doctors, Jefferson City, Missouri, February 16, 2005

*NAFTA, WTO and the Midwest*, Moderator, CURRENT ISSUES IN THE PRACTICE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, UMKC, Kansas City, Missouri, November 7, 2003

*Point-Counterpoint—When is there Insurance Coverage for Construction Defects Under Commercial Liability Policies*, Presentation with Douglas R. Richmond, HOT TOPICS IN CONSTRUCTION LAW, CONSTRUCTION LAW COMMITTEE, KCMBA, Kansas City, Missouri, November 6, 2003

*Insurance Coverage for Losses from Terrorist Activity*, Presentation, A NEW WORLD FOR INSURANCE COVERAGE ATTORNEYS, 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL INSURANCE COVERAGE LITIGATION COMMITTEE MIDYEAR PROGRAM, AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION TORTS AND INSURANCE PRACTICE SECTION, New Orleans, Louisiana, February 23, 2002

*Tort Liability for Gun Violence*, Debate with Larry Pratt, President of Gun Owners of America, UMKC School of Law, October 11, 2001

*The Significance of State ex rel. Tracy v. Dandurand*, Invited Presentation, Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association, Torts Committee, September 27, 2001

*Ethical Issues in Insurance Law – An interactive discussion using hypothetical scenarios*, ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE DEFENSE ATTORNEY, Continuing Legal Education Seminar, Kansas City, Missouri, June 22, 1999

*Historical and Theoretical Overview: Why is Construction Defect Litigation So Complex and So Expensive?*, Invited Lecture, INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR DEFECTIVE CONSTRUCTION II, sponsored by the Tort and Insurance Practice Section, the Insurance Coverage Committee and the Property Insurance Committee of the American Bar Association, Marina del Rey, California, June 4, 1998 (by video tape)

*An Alternative to Traditional Risk Allocation - The Warranty Approach*, Invited Lecture, THE OWNER/ARCHITECT RELATIONSHIP: A MARRIAGE MADE IN HEAVEN OR . . ., 1997 Annual Mid-Year Conference of the Construction Owners Association of America, Chicago, Illinois, September 12, 1997

*The Complex Nature of Construction Litigation*, Invited Lecture, THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION, INSURANCE COVERAGE LITIGATION COMMITTEE OF THE TORT AND INSURANCE PRACTICE SECTION, San Francisco, California, August 3, 1997

*Report on the September, 1996 National Institute on Coverage for Defective Construction*, AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION TORT AND INSURANCE PRACTICE SECTION INSURANCE COVERAGE LITIGATION COMMITTEE CLE MIDWINTER MEETING, San Antonio, Texas, February 21, 1997 (with Thomas W. Johnson, Jr., Esq.)

*Current State of Liability Insurance Coverage Law*, ESSENTIALS OF LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE, Continuing Legal Education Seminar, Kansas City, Missouri, December 13, 1996

*Project Policies (Wrap-ups), Warranty Policies, "Buy Backs"*, Invited Lecture, INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR DEFECTIVE CONSTRUCTION, sponsored by the Insurance Coverage Committee of the Tort and Insurance Practice Section of the American Bar Association, San Diego, California, September 27, 1996 (with Julia Molander, Esq.)

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*Dimensions of an Insurance Dispute Based on a Hypothetical Problem and Point and Counterpoint - Bad Faith Breach of Insurance Policy: Present and Future for Bad Faith Tort Claims*, Moderator for Panel Discussion, FUNDAMENTALS OF COMMERCIAL INSURANCE LAW, Continuing Legal Education Seminar, Kansas City, Missouri, December 1, 1995

*Identifying and Using Insurance Coverage in Business Litigation*, CLE Seminar sponsored by Continuing Education of the Bar - California, Sacramento, June 12, 1993; Costa Mesa, June 19, 1993; San Diego, June 23, 1993

### International – Academic Presentations

*Rule of Law in China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan: exploration of cultural variables*, Invited Lecture, RULE OF LAW IN CHINA, HONG KONG, AND TAIWAN, City University of Hong Kong, China June 6, 2013

*U.S. Perspectives on Chinese Insurance Law*, Invited Lecture, CHINESE INSURANCE LAW FORUM, Nanjing, China, November 3, 2012

*Civil Procedural Systems: Pro and Contra – American Report*, Invited Lecture, INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PROCEDURAL LAW FOR WORLD CONFERENCE, Moscow, Russia, September 20, 2012

*Rule of Law in a Global, Pluralistic Legal System*, Invited Lecture, EXCHANGE AND INTEGRATION OF THE CONTEMPORARY LEGAL SYSTEMS, THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COMPARATIVE LAW AND GLOBAL COMMON LAW, College of Comparative Law, China University of Political Science and Law, Beijing, China, September 24, 2011

*Cultural Thoughts on Challenges Inherent in Identifying Traditional Fundamental Values*, Invited Lecture, LEARNING FROM TRADITION: TRIBAL JUSTICE AND THE RULE OF LAW, University of Washington School of Law, Seattle Washington, June 17, 2011

*Understanding the Rule of Law/Supremacy of Law and Underlying Obstacles in Turkey and Around the World*, Invited Lecture, INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON CONSTITUTIONAL LAW, Istanbul, Turkey, May 12, 2011

*The American Jury System: an interactive examination of costs and benefits*, Invited Lecture, Nanjing Normal University School of Law, Nanjing, China, March 29, 2011; Hunan University School of Law, Changsha, China, April 1, 2011

*Insurance Contract Law Between Business Law and Consumer Protection*, Invited Panelist, XVIIIITH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF COMPARATIVE LAW, Washington, D.C., July 30, 2010

*Rule of Law: An American Perspective*, Invited Lecture, University of Istanbul Faculty of Law, Istanbul, Turkey, April 9, 2010

*International Insurance and Lloyds of London*, Invited Lecture, UMKC's Oxford CLE Program, Oxford, England, August 5, 2008

*The US Approach to Government Involvement in Terrorism Insurance: Advantages and Disadvantages*, Invited Roundtable Presentation, THE THIRD INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE ON SECURITY ISSUES AND COUNTER TERRORISM, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia, October 26, 2007

*The US Model for Terrorism Insurance: A Government Industry Partnership*, Invited Plenary Presentation, THE THIRD INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE ON SECURITY ISSUES AND COUNTER TERRORISM, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia, October 25, 2007

*Insurance for Terrorism: Analyzing the US Model*, Presenter, ELEVENTH ANNUAL ASIA PACIFIC RISK AND INSURANCE ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, Taipei, Taiwan, July 24, 2007

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*Rule of Law in East Asia: Barriers to Development of Civil Society*, Invited Presentation, Freeman Foundation Symposium, East Asia – The United States: A Search for Common Values, SALZBURG SEMINAR, Salzburg, Austria, June 11, 2007

*Advanced Interactive Teaching Techniques Workshop*, Designer and Presenter, CEELI Legal Education Program, Amman, Jordan, March 9-11, 2007

*Ambiguity and Insurance Policy Interpretation*, Presenter, NINTH ANNUAL ASIA PACIFIC RISK AND INSURANCE ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, Tokyo, Japan, August 1, 2006

*Interactive Teaching Techniques Workshop*, Designer and Presenter, CEELI Legal Education Program, Amman, Jordan, December 14-18, 2005 (with Douglas Godfrey)

*Harry Potter and the Law*, Moderator, Panel Organizer, and Presenter, THE POWER OF STORIES: INTERSECTIONS OF LAW, CULTURE & LITERATURE, Gloucester, England, July 26, 2005

*Rule of Law in China: An Empirical Study of Taxi Driver Opinions About Traffic Accident Dispute Resolution*, Presentation of Work in Progress, Peking University School of Law, Beijing, China, May 24, 2005

*The Indemnity Principle: Evolution from a Financial to a Function Paradigm*, Presenter, EIGHTH ANNUAL ASIA PACIFIC RISK AND INSURANCE ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, Seoul, Korea, July 21, 2004

*U.S. Insurance Law*, Lecturer, Peking University School of Law, Beijing, China, May 26 & 29, 2004

*Industry-Government Partnership for Terrorism Insurance: A Risk-Based Analysis*, Presenter, SEVENTH ANNUAL ASIA PACIFIC RISK AND INSURANCE ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, Bangkok, Thailand, July 22, 2003

*Issues in Emerging Insurance Markets*, Moderator, SEVENTH ANNUAL ASIA PACIFIC RISK AND INSURANCE ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, Bangkok, Thailand, July 22, 2003

*The Chinese Insurance Market in Transition*, Moderator, SIXTH ANNUAL ASIA PACIFIC RISK AND INSURANCE ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, Shanghai, China, July 23, 2002

*Exclusion of Terrorist-Related Harms From Insurance Coverage: Do the Costs Justify the Benefits*, Presenter, SIXTH ANNUAL ASIA PACIFIC RISK AND INSURANCE ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, Shanghai, China, July 23, 2002

*Chinese Insurance Law and the WTO*, Presenter, FIFTH ANNUAL ASIA PACIFIC RISK AND INSURANCE ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, Bangalore, India, July 16, 2001

*Living and Teaching in China*, Presentation, Panel Discussion, and Leader of Break-Out Sessions, China Fulbright Orientation, Washington, D.C., June 8-9, 2001

*Law in Chinese Culture as Reflected in the Resolution of Traffic Accident Claims*, Presenter, LAW IN CHINESE CULTURE, sponsored by the Humanities Research Center, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, December 10, 2000

*Legal Enforcement of Chinese Insurance Law: A Contextual Assessment and Case Study*, Presenter, FOURTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE ASIA PACIFIC RISK AND INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, Perth, Australia, July 19, 2000

*An American Legal Perspective on Magistrate Bao*, Presenter, NANKAI UNIVERSITY/ FUBRIGHT CONFERENCE ON LAW AND DISORDER, Lecture, Tianjin, China, May 20, 2000

*The Rule of Law: Structural and Cultural Dimensions of the American Legal System*, Invited Lecture, SINO-AMERICAN CONSTITUTION AND RULE OF LAW SYMPOSIUM, sponsored by, Sichuan

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University Law School, Sichuan University Foreign Languages and Culture Department, and the U.S. Consulate, Chengdu, China, April 11, 2000

*An American Law Professor in China: Comments on the Future of Rule of Law*, Invited Lecture, SEMINAR ON THE REVIEW AND PROSPECT OF THE LEGALITY CONSTRUCTION IN THE 20<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY IN CHINA, sponsored by the Chinese University of Political Science and Law, Beijing, China, April 5, 2000

*American Legal Teaching Methods*, Invited Lecture to Faculty of Nankai University, Faculty of Tianjin University, and Judges of Tianjin High Court, Nankai University, Tianjin, China, March 24, 2000

*The Rule of Law: Reflections and Observations of an American Law Professor in China*, Invited Lecture, University Services Center, Chinese University of Hong Kong, October 7, 1999

*A Reassessment of the Interpretative Paradigm for the Construction of Insurance Policies*, Presenter, THIRD CONFERENCE OF THE ASIA-PACIFIC RISK AND INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, Hong Kong, China, July 19, 1999

### International – Presentations to Professionals or Students

*U.S. Civil Justice System: Strengths and Weaknesses*, Invited Presentation, Diponegoro University, Semarang, Indonesia, April 23, 2012

*Best Practices for LL.M. Applications*, Invited Presentation, Education USA Law Conference, Jakarta, Indonesia, April 15, 2003

*The New Constitution and the Rule of Law*, Invited Presentation, International Conference on Constitutional Law, Bosphorus Lawyers Association, Istanbul, Turkey, October 7-9, 2011

*The Role of Insurance in the U.S. Financial Crisis*, Invited Presentations, Shanghai Jiao Tong University School of Law, Shanghai, China, December 12, 2009, and Jilin University Law School, Changchun, China, December 9, 2009

*The American Jury System: an interactive examination of the costs and benefits*, Invited Presentations, Jilin University Law School, Changchun, China, December 5, 2008, and Southwest University of Political Science and Law, Chongqing, China, December 3, 2008

*Civil Justice: the role of Judges, Lawyers & the Jury*, Invited Presentation, Guangdong Foreign Studies University, Guangzhou, China, March 31, 2008

*Insurance Law: US and China Compared*, Invited Presentation, Southwest University of Political Science and Law, Chongqing, China, March 28, 2008

*Insurance Law: US and China Compared*, Invited Presentation, Wuhan University, Wuhan, China, March 27, 2008

*Insurance Law: US and China Comparisons*, Invited Presentation, Jilin University Law School, Changchun, China, June 1, 2007

*Terrorism and Insurance: An American Perspective*, Invited Presentation, Zhejiang University School of Law, Hangzhou, China, May 30, 2007

*Fundamentals of US Insurance Law*, Invited Presentation, Southwest University of Political Science and Law, Chongqing, China, May 28, 2007

*US Insurance Law from a Comparative Perspective*, Invited Presentations, Peking University Law School, Beijing, China, May 25, 2007

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*U.S. Insurance Law from a Comparative Perspective*, Lecture, Peking University School of Law, Beijing, China, May 22, 2005

*Chinese Insurance Law*, Lecture for U.S. Students in the UMKC Summer Study-Abroad Program, Peking University School of Law, Beijing, China, May 22, 2005

*Industry-Government Partnership for Terrorism Insurance: A Risk-Based Analysis*, Thirty-Ninth Annual Seminar and Research Roundtable of the International Insurance Society, Inc., New York, New York, July 16, 2003

*Access to the Chinese Insurance Market*, Thirty-Seventh Annual Seminar and Research Roundtable of the International Insurance Society, Inc., Vienna, Austria, July 11, 2001

*WTO and Chinese Insurance Law*, Invited Presentation, WTO AND CHINA: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES, sponsored by Connecticut Insurance Law Center and the University of International Business and Economics, Beijing, China, October 16, 2000

*Civil Procedure in the American Legal System*, Fulbright Guest Lecture, Dalian University of Foreign Languages, Dalian, China, May 29, 2000

*American Legal Education: Form, Process and Substance*, Fulbright Guest Lecture, Dalian University of Foreign Languages, Dalian, China, May 26, 2000

*Comparative Perspectives on Legal Education*, Invited Lecture, with Dr. Prof. Shikai ("Peter") Hu

Tianjin University of Commerce, Tianjin, China, May 9, 2000

Nankai University Eightieth Anniversary Commemorative Lecture Series, Tianjin, China, November 5, 1999

*Comparative Legal Systems: Benefits to be Considered and Mistakes to be Avoided*, Invited Lecture

Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Shanghai, China, April 14, 2000

Nankai University, Tianjin, China, March 28, 2000

*American Insurance Law: Fundamental Principles and Considerations for Chinese Law*, Fulbright Guest Lecture, Guangxi University, Nanning, China, March 21, 2000

*The American Legal System: Strengths, Weaknesses and Possible Lessons for China*

Fulbright Guest Lecture, Guangxi University, Nanning, China, March 21, 2000; Jinan University, Guangzhou, China, November 15, 1999; Zhongshan University, Guangzhou, November 12, 1999

Invited Lecture, Speakers Program Bureau, United States Embassy Public Affairs Office, at the American Center for Educational Exchange, Beijing, China, January 6, 2000

*American Tort Law: Assignment of Blame, Compensation for Injuries, and Punishment for Wrong-Doing*, Fulbright Guest Lecture, Zhongshan University, Guangzhou, China, November 12, 1999

*Legal Reasoning and the Economic Paradigm*, Guest Lecture at Chinese University of Hong Kong, October 8, 1999

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*The Coase Theorem: Comments on the Application of the Economic Paradigm to Law*, Guest Lecture to Economics Faculty and Graduate Students, Nankai University, Tianjin, China, September 24, 1999

*Law and American Culture*, Guest Lecture, Nankai University Foreign Languages Department, Tianjin, China, September 24, 1999

### **SELECTED SERVICE**

#### **University of Missouri – Kansas City**

UMKC Strategic Planning Steering Committee (2008-2010)  
UMKC Academic Chairs & Directors Group (2008 & continuing; Steering Committee 2008-2010)  
Criterion Five Committee (Community Engagement), HLA Accreditation for UMKC (2008-09)  
UMKC Council (as Vice Provost) (2005-06)  
Campus Promotion and Tenure Committee (as Vice Provost) (Chair, 2003-07, )  
Taskforce on International Activities (2005)  
Chancellor's Cabinet (as Vice Provost) (2003-2004)  
Chancellor's Extended Cabinet (advising Chancellor on transformation process) (2000-2004)  
Taskforce on Faculty Roles and Rewards (2002-04)  
Faculty Senate (2000)  
Grievance Hearing Panel (1996-99, 2001-03)  
Council on Planning and Evaluation (1994-99)  
Student Computer Fee Committee (1998-99)

#### **University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Law**

Marketing/Communications/Branding Strategic Planning Committee (Chair 2012-13)  
Steering Committee for Strategic Planning (2012-13)  
International Programs Committee (Chair 2006-09, 2010-12)  
Curriculum Committee (2001-03, 2007-09)  
Faculty Recruitment Committee (Chair, 2005-07, Member, 2010-11)  
Recruiting Committee (2009)  
Executive/Policy and Planning Committee (2002-05)  
Inclusion and Empowerment Committee (Chair, 2000-02)  
Ad Hoc Committee on Review of Director of Legal Research and Writing (2000-01)  
Student Affairs and Readmissions Committee (Chair, 2002-03)  
Communications and Information Technology Committee (2001-02)  
Douglas Stripp Distinguished Professorship Search Committee (1998-99)

#### **Fulbright Scholar Program**

*Outside Evaluator*, Fulbright Student Program, Law Discipline, Thailand (2011)  
*Outside Evaluator*, Fulbright Student Program, Law Discipline, Russia (2010-12)  
*Peer Reviewer*, Senior Specialist Program, Law Discipline (2001-03)

#### **University of Hong Kong (2011-14)**

*Outside Evaluator*, LL.M. programs of the Faculty of Law

#### **Allianzas, Board of Advisors (2001-03)**

### **SELECTED CONSULTING EXPERIENCE**

#### **Consultant, Lexis-Nexis/Matthew Bender & Co., Appleman on Insurance**

Advising on how to update 60+ volume treatise and working to assemble teams for Board of Editors and writing team

## **Jeffrey Ellis Thomas**

### **Reviewer, Aspen Law and Business Publishing**

Reviewed draft books on Law and Economics and Insurance Law and Policy

### **Consultant, Lexis-Nexis/Matthew Bender & Co., Insurance Law Classification Scheme**

Reviewed and made recommendations for classification scheme to be used in the electronic database

## **SELECTED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

### **Fellow, Salzburg Seminar: The Rule of Law in a Globalized Work: Why it Matters, Salzburg, Austria, August 23, 2011**

This Seminar was the inaugural session for the Lloyd N. Cutler Center for the Rule of Law. It used the well-established Salzburg Seminar interactive format to explore the rule of law as a principle both governing the international organization of states and society, and the relations between them. Faculty and fellows included academics and professionals from 30 different countries.

### **Participant, ABA Site Evaluation Workshop, Chicago, Illinois, July, 16, 2013; February 18, 2006**

A one-day workshop for Site Evaluation Team members and administrative personnel from schools planning for a site visit.

### **Participant, ABA Annual Questionnaire Workshop, Chicago, Illinois, July 15, 2013; Sept. 2005**

A one-day workshop on the new software package used for the Annual Questionnaire.

### **Grant Recipient, Curriculum Development for Interdisciplinary Courses Studying the Creative Process, UMKC Center for Creative Studies, University of Missouri – Kansas City, 2005**

Received a \$7200 grant to develop a course entitled “Narrative and the Art of Legal Persuasion” with faculty from Creative Writing and Film studies. Course development is underway.

### **Participant, Leadership Development Program, President’s Academic Leadership Institute, University of Missouri System (2002-2003)**

A year-long, interactive program with 35 academic leaders from the four University of Missouri campuses consisting of a retreat to assess leadership styles, enhance leadership skills, and work on actual problems with other leaders; day-long workshops every three months on topics of interest to the participants; and monthly luncheon meetings to discuss common concerns and share ideas and advice.

### **Fellow, Salzburg Seminar: Law as a Catalyst of Change in Asia, Salzburg, Austria, December 4-11, 2002**

The Seminar is a leading forum for promoting global dialogue on issues of pressing international concern. This session was about the rule of law and its role as a catalyst of change in Asia. Faculty included academics and lawyers from China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Korea, Japan and the U.S. Fellows included representatives from Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, India, Iran, Japan, the U.S., and Viet Nam

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE**

### **American Bar Association**

Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section  
Taskforce on Federal Involvement in Insurance Regulation Modernization (2004-14)



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Taskforce on Student Outreach (2003-06)  
Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee, Vice Chair (2004-06, 2009-10)  
Robert B. McKay Law Professor Award Committee (2009-10, 2013-14)  
Legal Education and Admissions Section

**American Law and Economics Association**, Member (2002-05)

### **American Law Institute**

Elected Member (2010)  
Adviser, Principles of Liability Insurance project (2010 and continuing)

**American Society of Comparative Law**, Editor (2011-13), Delegate (2004-05, 2007-09)

### **Asia Pacific Risk and Insurance Association**

President (2007-08)  
Vice President – Finance and Operations  
Vice President – Programs (2005-06)  
Board of Governors (2002-05)  
Member, Journal Preparation Committee (2002-03)  
Member, Nomination Committee (2002-05)

### **Association of American Law Schools**

International Legal Exchange (Chair, 2012)  
Insurance Law Section (past Chair, Program Chair, Newsletter Editor; Board member 1995-2004)  
Torts, Socio-Economics, Law & Anthropology, Law & Social Sciences

**Debate Kansas City**, President (2011-13), Vice President (2009-11), Board Member (2008-09)

### **Institute for Rule of Law, Identity, Stability & Culture**

Founding Board Member (2007 and continuing)  
Vice President of Academic Services and Fellow Development, and Treasurer (2010 and continuing)

### **J. Reuben Clark Law Society**

Law Faculty Group, Interim Executive Committee (2008 and continuing)  
Co-Organized Four Annual Conferences  
Kansas City Chapter, Chair (2009-2010), Board Member (2011-2013, 2003-2009)

**Lawyers Association of Kansas City**, Board Member (2004-2011)

**State Bar of California**, Member (since 1988)