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Restatement of the Professional Enhancement Opportunity

I had requested funding to attend the annual Law and Society Association Conference held in Minneapolis, MN from May 29-June 1, 2014. For this conference I was responsible for organizing four sessions, assigning papers and recruiting presiders and presenters from around the nation and the world. In addition, I presented my own paper during a session. I was also asked to serve as chair for an Author Meets Readers section, which I accepted. I traveled to Minneapolis on May 28, 2014 and returned on June 1, 2014.

Brief Review of the Professional Enhancement Opportunity

I presented my paper entitled "The Pragmatist and the Purist: Internal Framing Battles within the Creationist Movement" on the panel "Lawyers as Agents of Change Creating, Framing, and Driving Reform." In addition, I served as Chair of the author meets readers session devoted to Joshua Wilson's book "The Street Politics of Abortion." This session included respected socio-legal scholars from around the country. The other sessions I helped organize were all well attended.

Summary of the Experience

The experience provided the chance to gain constructive feedback on my paper from the discussant, other panel members, and the audience. I have begun incorporating these comments into my paper so that I can submit it for publication. Beyond this, attending other panels allowed me to learn about the current research that is happening in my research area. These sessions allowed me to discover useful ideas and practices for

teaching students about various aspects of the law. I have already begun integrating what I learned into my Law and Society course that will be taught this spring.

Conclusion

Attending the conference provided many benefits to for me. First, it allowed me to get useful feedback on my research. In addition, it was a valuable opportunity to network with scholars across disciplines and universities as I helped organize and participate in the panels. This helped increase the exposure of the Sociology and Criminal Justice programs here at Arkansas Tech. Finally, it was pedagogically beneficial by exposing me to classroom and course design ideas that are being incorporated into my classes.

Attachments

Course program cover.

Sessions I participated in.



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Final Program



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Gardening inside and outside prison walls: A feasibility study on connecting imprisoned women of color to local community

Sarah Gatson

Texas A&M University

Tiffany Amorette Young

Texas A&M University

Social Support by Race/Ethnicity Among Female Prisoners: A Mixed Methods Study.

Holly Foster

Texas A&M University

The Legal Alchemy of White Domination: Embedding White Logic in Equal Protection Law

Wendy Moore

Texas A&M University

CRN 2: Intergenerational Identity and the Institutional Dismantling of Intimate Narratives of Global Youth

Paper Session

Location: University of St. Thomas **Room:** MSL 458

Chair(s):

Lauren Heidbrink

National Louis University

Discussant(s):

Michele Statz

University of Washington

Keywords:

FAMILY AND YOUTH

MIGRATION AND IMMIGRATION

Presentations:

From Thailand to Minneapolis: The impact of racialized violence, social death, and surveillance on Hmong immigrant youth

Kari Smalkoski

University of Minnesota

Paper Lives: The Chinese Family of U.S. Immigration Law

Michele Statz

University of Washington

The Best Interests of Citizen Children and the Best Interests of the United States — A Proposal to Provide United States Citizen Children with Immigration Status for their Care-taking Parents

Janet Calvo

CUNY School of Law

'For Those Families Who Are Deported and Have No Place to Land': Forging Chicano/Mexicano Solidarities Across Generations & Legal Status

Jimmy Patiño

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

"Hemos sufrido tanto": Intergenerational Dimensions of Debt and Belonging among Transnational Youth.

Lauren Heidbrink

National Louis University

CRN21: Lawyers as Agents of Change: Creating, Framing and Driving Reform

Paper Session

Location: Hilton Minneapolis **Room:** Directors Row room 4

Chair/Discussant(s):

Liz Chiarello

Saint Louis University

Keywords:

SOCIAL MOVEMENTS AND LEGAL MOBILIZATION

Presentations:

Cause Lawyers and Legal Rights Organizations

Lynn Jones

Northern Arizona University

Anna-Maria Marshall

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Prosecutors as Cause Lawyers

Mary Nell Trautner

University at Buffalo, SUNY

Steven Boutcher

University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Kaitlyn Humphrey

George Mason University

The Pragmatist and the Purist: Internal Framing Battles within the Creationist Movement

James Stobaugh

Arkansas Tech University

When the Public Interest is God's Interest: The Strategies, Successes, and Failures of New Christian Right Public Interest Law

Amanda Hollis-Brusky

Pomona College

Joshua Wilson

University of Denver

CRN 31: Session 1 -- The Theory of Taxation

Paper Session

Location: University of St. Thomas **Room:** MSL 244

Chair/Discussant(s):

Roberta Mann

University of Oregon School of Law

Location: Hilton Minneapolis **Room:** Duluth

Chair/Discussant(s):

Arthur McEvoy
Southwestern Law School

Keywords:

ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY

Presentations:

Bargaining in the Shadow of an Oil Behemoth: Lawyers and Landmen Shifting Power in Negotiations over Fracking Rights
Debbie Becher

Barnard College, Columbia University

Nuclear Accident and Compensation for Damages Caused by Rumors in Japan

Shunichiro KOYANAGI
Dokkyo University

Rethinking Social Movements as Networked Events: The case of Coal Seam Gas in New South Wales

Declan Kuch
University of New South Wales

Too Much and Too Little Water!! Groundwater Law, the Commons and Human Right to Water: Case Studies from India and US

Sanghamitra Padhy
Ramapo College

The Mediation Process: Types and Characteristics

Paper Session

Location: Hilton Minneapolis **Room:** Salon C

Keywords:

DISPUTES AND NEGOTIATION

Presentations:

Chinese Court Mediation Rates: What's in the Black Box?
Yedan Li

University of Amsterdam
Joris Kocken
University of Amsterdam

How to compromise with a powerful opponent? The "equalization" of parties in mediation interaction and the production of inequalities through third-party intervention

Justus Heck
University of Bielefeld

Judicial Communication

John Zeleznikow
Victoria University

Promise of Utilizing Mediation Skills in Disclosure Process

Toshimi Momo Nakanishi

Faculty of Medicine Yamagata University

Yoshitaka Wada

Waseda Law School

Women and the Law in Professional Contexts

Paper Session

Location: Hilton Minneapolis **Room:** Marquette Ballroom VIII

Keywords:

GENDER AND SEXUALITY

Presentations:

A Comparative Research of Workplace Sexual Harassment Law in the U.S. and Taiwan: its Legal Transplant, Transformation and Implementation

Bo-Shone Fu
University of Wisconsin Madison

Judges on TV: Candidate Gender, Role Orientation, and Issue Ownership in State High Court Campaign Advertisements

Jeremy Duff
Midwestern State University
Frederick Wood
Coastal Carolina University

The Process of "Feeling Comfortable" : Gendered Interactional Expectations and the Stratified Success of India's Women Lawyers

Swethaa Ballakrishnen
Stanford Sociology

Thursday, 5/29

2:45 PM - 4:30 PM

Author Meets Readers: Joshua Wilson, "The Street Politics of Abortion"

Author Meets Reader (AMR) Session

Location: Hilton Minneapolis **Room:** Marquette Ballroom IX

Author(s):

Joshua Wilson
University of Denver

Chair(s):

James Stobaugh
Arkansas Tech University

Reader(s):

Rose Corrigan
Drexel University
Jeffrey Dudas
University of Connecticut

Thursday, 2:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m

Laura Nielsen

American Bar Foundation/ Northwestern U

Helena Silverstein

Lafayette College

Scott Lemieux

College of Saint Rose

Description:

The U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Roe v. Wade* stands as a historic victory for abortion-rights activists. But rather than serving as the coda to what had been a comparatively low-profile social conflict, the decision mobilized a wave of anti-abortion protests and ignited a heated struggle that continues to this day. Picking up the story in the contentious decades that followed *Roe*, "The Street Politics of Abortion" is the first book to consider the rise and fall of clinic-front protests through the 1980s and 1990s, the most visible and contentious period in U.S. reproductive politics. Wilson demonstrates that the abortion-rights movement, despite its initial success with *Roe*, has since faced continuous challenges and difficulties, while the anti-abortion movement continues to gain strength in spite of its losses.

Keywords:

SOCIAL MOVEMENTS AND LEGAL MOBILIZATION

IRC 21: Comparative Perspectives on Household Debt and Insolvency 04

Paper Session

Location: Hilton Minneapolis **Room:** Conrad A

Chair/Discussant(s):

Dalie Jimenez

University of Connecticut School of Law

Keywords:

ECONOMY, BUSINESS AND SOCIETY

Presentations:

Attitudes Toward Indebtedness in the U.S. Midwest

Robert Lawless

University of Illinois

Consumer Protection Examination and Prevention of Abusive

Extensions of Credit

Jean Braucher

University of Arizona

Over-indebtedness in Brazil: a regulatory approach

Patricia Sampaio

FGV Law School in Rio de Janeiro

What works for prevention of overindebtedness?

nadja jungmann

hogeschool utrecht

Comparing Strategies for Redressing Inequality across the Globe

Paper Session

Location: Hilton Minneapolis **Room:** Marquette Ballroom II

Chair/Discussant(s):

Gail Super

University of Cape Town

Keywords:

LAW AND INEQUALITY

Presentations:

Aliens Can Vote under Turkish Law

Necla Ozturk

Akdeniz University, School of Law

Housing in Brazil: repeating mistakes

Maria Laura de Souza Coutinho

Direito GV

International Securities Organizations (ISOs) and Emerging Markets in East Africa

June McLaughlin

Irvine Valley College

Philip Aka

Chicago State University

THE 1995 BEIJING CONFERENCE, ITS IMPACT AND IMPLICATIONS ON MARRIAGE AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN NIGERIA

Michael Adeleke

Obafemi Awolowo University

The PROVISIONS of CONVENTION ON The PARTICIPATION of FOREIGNERS in PUBLIC LIFE at LOCAL LEVEL and ITS IMPLEMENTATION Under TURKISH LAW

Bilgin Tiryakioglu

Bilkent University

CRN 17: LGBTQ Identities and Activism

Paper Session

Location: Hilton Minneapolis **Room:** Directors Row room 2

Chair(s):

Jeff Kosbie

Northwestern University

Discussant(s):

Kimberly Richman

University of San Francisco

Keywords:

GENDER AND SEXUALITY RIGHTS AND IDENTITIES