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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.
Law and Inequalities: Global and Local

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 Gatsn
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

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 Pataño
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
"Hemos sufrido tanto": Intergenerational Dimensions of Debt and Belonging among Transnational Youth.
Lauren Heidbrink
National Louis University

CRN 21: 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 Boucher
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

Thursday, 8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m
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

The Process of “Feeling Comfortable” : Gendered Interactional Expectations and the Stratified Success of India’s Women Lawyers
Swetha Ballakrishnen
Stanford Sociology

Thursday, 5/29
2:45 PM - 4:30 PM

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

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
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):
Daile 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

Thursday, 2:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.