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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF LAW. Charlottesville, Virginia.
Associate Professor of Law, June 2005-present.

Courses: Family Law; Immigration Law; Feminist Legal Theory; Colloquium: Marriage in Law, Culture, and the Imagination.

Service: Entry-level appointments committee (2006-07); Co-Director, Center for Children, Families and the Law, August 2006-present; Chair, Program in Law & Humanities Committee, (2005-present) (responsible for speaker series); Center for the Study of Race and Law Committee (2006-07); Immigration Law Program Committee (2006-present).

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW. New York, New York.
Acting Assistant Professor, Lawyering Program, June 2002-May 2005.

Course: First-year Lawyering (legal research & writing, client counseling, client interviewing, negotiation, mediation, and oral advocacy).

Service: New York Workshop on Law & Humanities (Co-Founder and Coordinator); Rose Sheinberg Scholar-in-Residence Program Committee.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
Lecturer-in-Law, Spring 2003.

Course: Feminist Jurisprudence.

EDUCATION

STANFORD LAW SCHOOL. Stanford, California.
J.D. with Distinction, 1998.
Co-President, Marion Rice Kirkwood Moot Court Board.
Research Assistant, Professor Janet E. Halley.

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE. Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.
B.A. with Highest Honors in the Humanities, Phi Beta Kappa, 1993.
Major in English Literature, Minor in Religion, Concentration in Women=s Studies.

PUBLICATIONS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

Immigration Law and the Regulation of Marriage, 91 MINNESOTA LAW REVIEW 101 (2007).

Book Review, Mae Ngai=s Impossible Subjects: Illegal Aliens and the Making of Modern America, 25 LAW & HISTORY REVIEW 428 (2007).

Immigration Status and the Best Interests of the Child Standard, 14 VIRGINIA JOURNAL OF SOCIAL POLICY AND THE LAW 87 (2006) (symposium issue).

Polygamy, Prostitution, and the Federalization of Immigration Law, 105 COLUMBIA LAW REVIEW 641 (2005).

Marriage, Immigration, and the Case of the Mercer Girls (in progress).

Same-Sex Marriage and the Rhetoric of Procreation (with Peter Brooks, in progress).

Chain Migration: Deconstructing Labor- and Family-based Immigration (in progress).

Gender and the Law of Citizenship (in progress).

CONFERENCE AND SYMPOSIUM PLANNING

Law & Emotion: Re-envisioning Family Law, scheduled for September 18-19, 2008, sponsored by the Center for Children, Families, and the Law, University of Virginia (co-director).

Emerging Family Law Scholars Conference, scheduled for May 27-27, University of Colorado at Boulder School of Law (planning committee member).

Emerging Family Law Scholars Conference, June 5-6, 2008, Cardozo Law School, New York (planning committee member; works-in-progress coordinator).

Emerging Family Law Scholars Workshop, June 2007, Vancouver, B.C. (planning committee member).

Welcome to America: Immigration, Families, and the Law, March 30-31, 2006, sponsored by the Center for Children, Families, and the Law, University of Virginia (planning committee).

LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS

Discussant, “Panel: Family, Culture, Citizenship, and the Law,” Association for the Study of Law, Culture, and the Humanities Annual Meeting (March 29, 2008, University of California at Berkeley Law School, CA).

The New Rhetoric of Reproductive Marriage (with Peter Brooks), International Society of Family Law B North American Chapter Biannual Conference (June 20, 2007, Vancouver, BC).

The New Rhetoric of Reproductive Marriage (with Peter Brooks), Association for the Study of Law, Culture, and the Humanities Annual Meeting (March 23, 2007, Georgetown Law School, Washington, D.C.).

Immigration Law & the Regulation of Marriage, UVA Summer Faculty Workshop (July 25, 2006).

The Wages of Wifeness: Race & the Regulation of Female Migration, Immigration Law Teachers Conference, University of Nevada B Las Vegas School of Law (May 5, 2006).

Citizenship and the Family in Post-Civil War Reconstruction, Immigration Law Teachers Conference, University of Nevada B Las Vegas School of Law (May 5, 2006).

The Wages of Wifeness: Race & the Regulation of Female Migration, Association for the Study of Law, Culture, and the Humanities Annual Meeting (March 17, 2006).

Disaggregating Marriage from Sex from Reproduction, Feminist Legal Theory Conference, Emory University School of Law (January 27, 2006).

Polygamy, Prostitution, and the Federalization of Immigration Law, Center for Race & Law Brown Bag Series, University of Virginia School of Law (November 16, 2005).

Domestic Violence and Immigration Law, Hunton & Williams Fellows Lunch Presentation, University of Virginia School of Law (October 14, 2005).

Polygamy, Prostitution, and the Federalization of Immigration Law, NYU Furman Scholars Workshop (April 22, 2004) (commentary by Professor Larry Kramer).

Marriage and the Federalization of Immigration Law, NYU Legal History Colloquium (January 21, 2004).

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

PATTERSON, BELKNAP, WEBB & TYLER, LLP. New York, New York.
Litigation Associate, November 1999 - July 2002.

THE HONORABLE STANWOOD R. DUVAL, JR., U.S. DISTRICT COURT. New Orleans,
Louisiana.
Law Clerk, August 1998 - August 1999.

ST. MARTIN'S PRESS. New York, New York.
Assistant to the Editor-in-Chief, College Textbook Division, August 1993-1994.

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York State (2000).

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York (2000).

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York (2000).