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Current Position

Elon University School of Law

Greensboro, NC, 2007 - present

Associate Professor of Law & Affiliated Faculty, Center for Law and Humanities

Teaching

- Civil Procedure (Spring 2010, Fall 2009, Fall 2008)
- Administrative Law (Spring 2010, Spring 2009)
- Social Research & Law (Fall 2009, Spring 2008)
- Employment Law (Spring 2009, Spring 2008)
- Professional Responsibility (Winter 2009)
- Business Associations (Fall 2007)

Research in Progress

- Law School & the Web of Group Affiliation: Socializing, Socialization, and Social Network Site Use Among Law Students
- The Virtual Construction of Legality: Legal Consciousness and Dispute Resolution in the Second Life® Virtual World
- A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum: An Empirical Analysis of Venue Transfer Motions in Federal Court
- The Compleat Angler's Code: Tradition, Innovation, and the Folk Law of Fly Fishing

Law School & University Service

Law School Committees

- Faculty Development & Engaged Learning (Co-chair 2009-10)
- Student Affairs (2009-10)

- Faculty Recruitment (2009-10; 2008-09)
- Curriculum and Assessment (2007-08)

University Committees

- Intellectual Property Policy Task Force (2009-)
- Law School Dean's Search Committee (2008-09)

Faculty Advising

- Elon Law Review
- Elon Law School ACLU
- Business Law Association
- Entertainment Law Society

Publications

Liars and Terrorists and Judges, Oh My: Moral Panic and the Symbolic Politics of Appellate Review in Asylum Cases, 83 *Notre Dame Law Review* 2019 (2008); reprinted in __ *Immigration & Nationality Law Review* __ (forthcoming); cited in *Zuh v. Mukasey*, 547 F.3d 504, 513 (4th Cir. 2008)

Post-Realism, or the Jurisprudential Logic of Late Capitalism: A Socio-Legal Analysis of the Rise and Diffusion of Law and Economics, 55 *Hastings Law Journal* 931 (2004)

Union and Employee Access to Employer E-mail Systems Under Federal Labor Law, with Stuart W. Davidson, in *The CyberUnion Handbook: Transforming Labor Through Computer Technology* (A. Shostak, ed., 2002)

Contributing Editor, *The Developing Labor Law* (P. Hardin, ed., 4th ed. 2001)

Book Note, *The Caribbean: New Dynamics in Trade and Political Economy*, 28 *NYU Journal of International Law & Politics* 644 (1996)

Academic Conferences & Workshops

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS)

Palm Beach, FL, August 3, 2009

Academic legal blogs as resources for scholarship and teaching

Public Presentations, Media Appearances & Commentary

Talking Union

<http://talkingunion.wordpress.com>, January 11, 2010

Labor Movement Needs 1000 Crystal Lee Suttons

Talking Union

<http://talkingunion.wordpress.com>, November 5, 2009

New Rule Proposed for Railway Labor Act Elections

North Carolina Open Government Coalition/Sunshine Center

Greensboro, NC, October 22, 2009

North Carolina Open Government Law: A Guide for Public Officials

State Employees Association of NC, Member Action Training

Winston-Salem, NC, October 17, 2009

Public Employee Unions and Collective Bargaining

WFMY-TV, The Good Morning Show

Greensboro, NC, September 11, 2009

Online Social Media and Your Rights at Work

Mitchell Community College

Statesville, NC, September 8, 2009

The Labor Movement and Labor Law in 2009

IWW Organizer Training Workshop,

Greensboro, NC, March 8, 2009

Labor Law Basics

Talking Union

<http://talkingunion.wordpress.com>, February 16, 2009

The Real Issue in the Debate Over the Employee Free Choice Act

WUNC-FM

Chapel Hill, NC, December 18, 2008

“The State of Things”: Labor Unions in North Carolina

WGHP-TV

Greensboro, NC, December 15, 2008

My Rights: Laid Off

NC/SC Labor and Employment Law Program and Annual Meeting

Asheville, NC, October, 18, 2008

Family Responsibility Accommodation and Discrimination

Gamma Theta Upsilon (Geography Honors Society), UNC-Greensboro

Greensboro, NC, April 24, 2008

The Place of Place in Law: Law & Geography

North Carolina Open Government Coalition/Sunshine Center

Elon, NC, March 20, 2008

Forum on North Carolina Public Records Law

Converge South Electronic Media Conference

Greensboro, NC, October 19, 2007

Legal Issues Online

Journal of Mundane Behavior

<http://www.mundanebehavior.org>, June 3, 2004

Outburst 24: 'My' Cellphone

Past Teaching Experience

Stanford Law School

Palo Alto, CA, 2004 - 2006

Lecturer in Law: Legal Research & Writing

University of Pennsylvania—Wharton School of Business

Philadelphia, PA, 2003 - 2004

Guest Lecturer: Legal Studies; Employment Law

St. Joseph's University—Corney Institute of Industrial Relations

Philadelphia, PA, 1997 - 2003

Instructor: Labor Law; Labor Negotiation and Arbitration; Social History of the U.S. Labor Movement; Sociology of Work; Globalization and Labor

Montgomery County Community College

Pottstown, PA, Fall 2000

Instructor: Introduction to Sociology

The Anglo-American College

Prague, Czech Republic, 1992

Lecturer: Introduction to Sociology; Economic Sociology; Sociology of Law

University of Chicago

Chicago, IL, 1989 - 1991

Teaching Assistant: Law & Society; Political Sociology; Race & Ethnicity

Moraine Valley Community College

Palos Hills, IL, Autumn 1988

Instructor: Introduction to Sociology

Legal Practice**Leonard Carder, LLP**

Oakland & San Francisco, CA, 2006 – 2007

Associate: Labor and employment law representing labor unions and individual employees

The Weinstein Firm

Philadelphia, PA, 2004 – 2006 (part-time)

Of Counsel: Civil litigation and employment law compliance consulting

Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott

Philadelphia, PA, 2004 - 2005

Associate: Civil litigation representing businesses, nonprofit organizations, and individuals

Willig, Williams & Davidson

Philadelphia, PA, 1997 - 2002

Associate: Labor and employment law representing labor unions and individual employees

Education

New York University School of Law, J.D., magna cum laude, 1997

- Arthur Garfield Hays Civil Liberties Fellow
- Journal of International Law & Politics, Symposium Editor
- Order of the Coif

University of Chicago, Doctoral Student in Sociology (ABD), 1987-1992

- Special Fields: Organizations (honors); Economic Sociology

London School of Economics, M.Sc., Sociology, 1985

- Thesis: Policing and Riots in the U.S. and U.K.—A Comparative Analysis of the Kerner and Scarman Reports

The Johns Hopkins University, B.A., Sociology, 1984

Academic and Professional Affiliations

- Society of American Law Teachers
- American Association of University Professors
- Law & Society Association
- American Constitution Society
- American Bar Association
- North Carolina State Bar—Ethics Committee Advisory Member
- Guilford County (NC) Bar Association
- Bar Admissions: Pennsylvania (1997); California (2008) (inactive)