

FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

KRISTI BOWMAN

In February, Dean Bowman gave the keynote address at a University of Kansas conference about education reform; her remarks will be published later this year. Additionally, she published “The Failure of Education Federalism” with the *Michigan Journal of Law Reform*.

ADAM CANDEUB

Professor Candeub presented *Nudity and Publicity* at Case Western School of Law. He also presented FCCExplorer, a revolutionary regulatory analytics engine, to Standard Law Codex Institute with Sherrod Blankner, Phlebus Consulting. He also published an editorial in the *Wall Street Journal*, “Will Microsoft’s Embrace Smother GitHub?”

ADAM CANDEUB AND ANNE LAWTON

Professor Candeub, Professor Lawton, and Dr. Anjana Susarla of the MSU Eli Broad College of Business received a \$20,000 seed grant from the Center for Business and Social Analytics for their proposal, “Predicting Successful Reorganization for Small Business Debtors in Chapter 11.”

JENNIFER CARTER-JOHNSON

Professor Carter-Johnson, along with her co-author, Dr. Laura Cabrera, published a piece in *The Conversation* entitled “It’s Not My Fault, My Brain Implant Made Me Do It.” The article was republished by *Scientific American*, *Business Insider*, and *Newsweek*.

DAVID FAVRE

Professor Favre released his new book, *Respecting Animals: A Balanced Approach to Our Relationship with Pets, Food, and Wildlife*, published by Prometheus Books.

MATTHEW FLETCHER

In recent months, Professor Fletcher spoke at Yale Law School, Dartmouth College, The University of Kansas School of Law, and Brown University.

Additionally, Justice Breyer cited an amicus brief co-authored by Professor Fletcher for the case of *Patchak v. Zinke*. Professor Fletcher also drafted an amicus brief for Indian Law Profs in support of the cert petition in *Poarch Band of Creek Indians v. Wilkes*. Professor Fletcher has accepted an offer to publish a book review in the *Michigan Law Review*.

“Interestingly, some of the religious groups that support school prayer today opposed it only 40 years ago, often for the same reasons suggested by Justice Welch. Some Southern Baptists and evangelicals, for example, viewed public school prayer as an affront to God. Today, all taxpayers have to pay for school prayer laws when these laws are challenged in court. Knowing how divisive and costly such battles can be, it is not, in my view, a wise use of public funds or state power.”

Frank Ravitch
The Conversation
“History Shows Why School Prayer Is So Divisive”

KATHRYN FORT

Professor Fort was invited to speak about her work at the *BYU Law Review Symposium*, “Sovereign Resilience: Building Enduring Tribal Institutions.” She spoke at the Federal Bar Association’s Indian Law Conference on a panel with the acting assistant secretary for Indian Affairs, and at the Family Law and Inequality Conference at the University of Minnesota.

JEREMY FRANCIS

Professor Francis’ new book, *The Legal Writing Handbook: Research, Analysis, and*

Writing, was published by Wolters Kluwer Publishers. It is co-authored with Anne Enquist and Laurel Currie Oates.

BRIAN GILMORE

Professor Gilmore recently published two op-eds: “The Public Education of Linda Brown,” syndicated through *The Progressive Media Project*; and “A Lesson in Implicit Bias,” published by *The Crisis Magazine* (online). In March, he was quoted in an article by Abdullah Fayyad in *The Atlantic*, “The Unfulfilled Promise of Fair Housing,” and in April was a featured guest on WKAR 105.1, Michigan State University’s “Current State,” to discuss implicit bias in an incident at a Starbucks in Philadelphia.

JOAN HOWARTH

Professor Howarth’s essay, “The Case for a Uniform Cut Score,” in Issue 42 of *Journal of the Legal Profession*, is out now. She spoke about *The Ethics of Legal Education* at the American Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Annual Meeting in San Diego in January, and served as the AALS Reporter for the Texas Tech accreditation site visit in early March. She plans to continue as a Distinguished Visiting Professor at University of Nevada, Las Vegas, for the 2018-19 academic year.

MELANIE B. JACOBS

In April, Dean Jacobs presented her work in progress at the International Society of Family Law conference at the University of Minnesota. Also in April, she was a panelist on Leadership Opportunities for Mid-Career Academics at the Making the Most of the Mid-Career. She was recently selected for inclusion in *Feminists Judgments: Trusts & Estates Opinions Rewritten*, providing commentary for an opinion about whether children posthumously conceived are eligible for social security benefits through their deceased “parent.”

FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS CONTINUED

“Historically, moral and legal responsibility have largely focused on the autonomous individual – that is, someone with the capacity to deliberate or act on the basis of one’s own desires and plans, free of distorting external forces. However, with modern technological advances, many hands may be involved in the operation of these brain implants, including artificial intelligence programs directly influencing the brain.”

Jennifer Carter-Johnson
The Conversation

“It’s Not My Fault, My Brain Implant Made Me Do It”

BRIAN KALT

In March, Professor Kalt was the featured author at an event at the Bowers Writers House at Elizabethtown College in Pennsylvania, where he discussed his book, *Constitutional Cliffhangers: A Legal Guide for Presidents and Their Enemies*. Professor Kalt has also been interviewed for, and quoted in, articles at *FiveThirtyEight.com*, *Vox*, *The Christian Science Monitor*, and *WikiTribune*.

STEPHANIE LAROSE

As the Chair of the State Bar of Michigan’s Professional Ethics Committee, Professor LaRose argued before the Michigan Supreme Court in May in favor of a new ethics rule specifically addressing a lawyer’s duties to prospective clients. After hearing oral arguments, the Court issued an order adopting the proposed rule.

MICHAEL LAWRENCE

Professor Lawrence’s article, “Racial Justice Demands Truth & Reconciliation,” was accepted for publication in the *University of Pittsburgh Law Review*. In March, the *Michigan State Law Review* presented its 2018 Symposium, “Is It Time for Truth & Reconciliation in Post-Ferguson America?,” which was co-organized by Professor Lawrence and other faculty co-sponsors.

DANIEL MANVILLE

Professor Manville was quoted in an article about a case that MSU Law students won: “MDOC ordered to pay \$16K over assault on mentally ill Muslim inmate” in the *Detroit Metro Times*. In April, Professor Manville was a presenter at the 2018 National Conference for Appellate Staff Attorneys in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

VERONICA MCNALLY

Professor McNally received the U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention’s 2018 Childhood Immunization Champion Award for her efforts to promote childhood immunization across Michigan.

CARNEY ANNE NASSER

Professor Nasser gave a lecture in Kathmandu, Nepal, about legal challenges and proposed solutions to promote the welfare and conservation of tigers in the wild and in captivity. She was invited to deliver her lecture by the Jane Goodall Institute and the Environmental Law Section of the Nepal Bar Association.

BARBARA O’BRIEN

Professor O’Brien was quoted in “Exonerations Involving Police, Prosecutor Misconduct Rise, Report Says” in the *New York Law Journal* regarding her work as the editor of the National Registry of Exonerations.

LAWRENCE PONOROFF

Dean Ponoroff’s fifth edition of his contracts casebook, *Making and Doing Deals*, was published by West Academic. His article, “Neither ’TwiXt nor ’Tween: Emerging Property Interests in Bankruptcy,” was accepted for publication in the *Arizona Law Review*.

FRANK RAVITCH

Professor Ravitch published an article in *The Conversation*, “History Shows Why School Prayer Is So Divisive.”

CARLA REYES

In March, Professor Reyes helped to organize and participated in a roundtable at Harvard Law School for the Berkman Klein Center’s Digital Finance Initiative. She spoke at the University of St. Thomas - Minnesota School of Law’s symposium on blockchain technology. Her article, “If Rockefeller Were a Coder,” was accepted for publication by *George Washington Law Review*. In April, Professor Reyes spoke at the Cleveland Marshall Law Symposium. She participated in a CLE panel at the ABA Business Law

“With GitHub, Microsoft could restrict a crucial platform for its rivals, mine data about competitors’ activities, target ads toward users, or restrict free services. Its control could lead to a sort of surveillance of innovative activity, giving it a unique, macroscaled insight into software development.”

Adam Candeub
The Wall Street Journal
“Will Microsoft’s Embrace Smother GitHub?”

Section Spring Meeting, and assumed a leadership role as the content director for the Uniform Commercial Code Committee and the Legal Analytics Committee of the ABA Business Law Section. Professor Reyes' article, "Corporate Crypto-Governance," was selected for presentation at the June National Business Law Scholars Conference.

"In my opinion, the best reading of the Constitution suggests that a self-pardon would be invalid. But saying what you think a judge should do is very different from knowing what a judge will do, even if you think you can see a unanimous Supreme Court decision in your crystal ball."

Brian Kalt
The Washington Post
"Five Myths about Presidential Pardons"

MICHAEL SANT'AMBROGIO

Dean Sant'Ambrogio co-wrote the *Amicus Brief of Administrative Law, Civil Procedure, and Federal Courts Law Professors* filed in U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims (CAVC) in the case of *Monk v. Shulkin*. In December, he submitted "Brief of Professors Sant'Ambrogio and Zimmerman as Amicus Curiae in Support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment" in *Bauer v. Devos*. His article, "Private Enforcement in Administrative Courts," was accepted for publication by *Vanderbilt Law Review*.

MICHAEL SANT'AMBROGIO AND GLEN STASZEWSKI

In April, Dean Sant'Ambrogio and Professor Staszewski met with the Rulemaking Committee of the Administrative Conference of the United States in Washington, D.C., to discuss their project on public engagement in the federal rulemaking process.

WENONA SINGEL

In December, Professor Singel gave a talk at the University of Michigan Law School on the Bears Ears National Monument, conservation of tribal cultural resources, and executive authority under the Antiquities Act.

GLEN STASZEWSKI

Professor Staszewski presented his working paper, "A Deliberative Democratic Theory of Precedent," at the Eighth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium at Loyola University Chicago School of Law in November. He presented an early version of his ongoing study of "Constitutional Dialogue in America" at the 2018 Legislation Roundtable at Fordham Law School in March. "Precedent and Disagreement," Professor Staszewski's review essay of Randy Kozel's book, *Settled Versus Right: A Theory of Precedent*, was published in the *Michigan Law Review*.

CHRISTINA THOMPSON

Ms. Thompson was a panelist at the IRS Annual Grantee conference in Washington, D.C., in December. She also co-authored comments for the ABA taxation section on the IRS' recent request for public comment on Revenue Procedure 99-21.

DAVID THRONSON

In March, Dean Thronson presented a national webinar for the Judicial Training Network, "An Overview of U.S. Immigration Law." He also presented at the American Immigration Lawyers Association Midwest Regional Conference, *Family Track – Central American and Mexican Clients*, in Chicago, Illinois.

DAVID AND VERONICA THRONSON

Dean David Thronson and Professor Veronica Thronson presented at a workshop on immigration policy during the Fourth Annual Diversity, Inclusion and Sensitivity training event, sponsored by the MSU Council of Graduate Students. Under their Kellogg Foundation grant, they were co-leaders of the Judicial Training Network's first multi-state training in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

"Fifty or a hundred years ago, an innocent defendant in prison had no one to turn to. The main reason we're seeing more exonerations now is that they can seek help from innocence organizations and prosecutors' offices who are committed to fixing wrongful convictions and are increasingly working together."

Barbara O'Brien
New York Law Journal
"Exonerations Involving Police, Prosecutor Misconduct Rise, Report Says"