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EDUCATION

Temple University School of Law, Philadelphia, PA LL.M. May 1997
Master of Laws in Legal Education.

University of Denver College of Law, Denver, CO J.D. May 1992
Class Rank: 24/207
Articles Editor, **Denver University Law Review**
Research Fellowship (one-year full scholarship) in Corporate/Securities Law
Member: Public Interest Law Society, Women's Law Caucus

Williams College, Williamstown, MA B.A. June 1988
Degree in French Literature and in Economics. Deans List.
Study Abroad: Institute of European Studies, Paris, France Spring 1987

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

City University of New York School of Law, Long Island City, NY Aug 1997 - present
Professor of Law Dec 2003 – present
Tenure awarded November 2001
Awards: Public Interest Law Students Association Faculty Award March 2000

Courses Taught:

Contracts I and II, Business Associations, UCC/Sales, UCC/Survey, Lawyering Seminar

Committees:

Strategic Planning Committee (2012-2014); Personnel & Budget Committee (elected by faculty) (2009-2011, 2002-2004); Faculty Salaries subcommittee of P & B (chair); Tenure Committee (chair) (2005 – 2011); Curriculum Committee (1997-01, 2006- 2008, 2012-present); Reappointments Committee (2006-2008); Moot Court (co-chair) (2002-2004); Sexual Harassment Education Committee (chair) (1997 - 2006); Resources/Budget Committee (1997 - 2005).

University of Denver, Sturm College of Law, Denver, CO Aug 2011 – July 2012
Visiting Professor of Law

Courses Taught: Contracts, Business Associations, UCC/Sales

Committees: Modern Learning Committee

Tel Aviv University -- Temple University Law School, Tel Aviv, Israel May 2000 - July 2000
Summer session abroad

Courses Taught: International Commercial Transactions

Temple University School of Law, Philadelphia, PA Aug 1995 - July 1997
Honorable Abraham L. Freedman Teaching Fellow
Awards: Best Student Paper, National Women's Law Students Association March 1997

Courses Taught: Contracts, UCC/Sales, Secured Transactions (in collaboration), Property (in collaboration),
Legal Research and Writing

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES and COMMUNITY SERVICE

Journal of Legal Education , <i>Editorial Board Member</i>	December 2012 – 2015
Center for Gender Law and Policy , Advisory Board Member	December 2012 - present
Beyond the 11th , <i>Board Member, Treasurer</i> Charitable foundation dedicated to helping Afghan widows affected by war and terrorism	June 2004 - present
1000 Faces , <i>Advisor</i> Community-based initiative that is designed to help provide economic support and stability to local Mayan communities around Lake Atitlan, Guatemala	April 2009 - present
Bpeace , <i>Member</i> Charitable organization devoted to helping women in regions of conflict build businesses to sustain their families and strengthen their abilities to foster peace	Oct 2007 - present
National Conference of Bar Examiners <i>Expert reviewer and writer of multistate Contracts essay examination questions</i>	Sept 2006 – present
Iris House , <i>Board Member, Member Fundraising Committee</i> Not-for-profit that addresses the unique needs of women infected and affected by HIV/AIDS	June 2007 – Aug 2011
American Bar Association , <i>Member</i>	Aug 1997 - present
Society of American Law Teachers , <i>Member</i>	Aug 2000 - present
Break the Cycle <i>Volunteer Teacher</i> Provide domestic violence education and outreach to high school students through a set curriculum	Feb 2004 – Sept 2005
Women’s Legal Centre , Cape Town, South Africa <i>Advisory Committee</i> Reviewed drafts of Equality Legislation introduced to Parliament	July 1999 - Feb 2000
College Summit <i>Volunteer Writing Coach Coordinator</i> Coordinated writing coaches and coached mid-tier low-income high school juniors in writing essays for their college applications	Summers 2001 - 2004

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

<u>Colorado Supreme Court</u> , Denver, Colorado Judicial clerk to Justice Gregory K. Scott.	Sept 1994 - Aug 1995
<u>Pendleton & Sabian, P.C.</u> , Denver, Colorado Associate. General litigation practice with emphasis in corporate and commercial matters.	Sept 1992 - July 1994
<u>Harvard Institute for International Development</u> , Moscow, Russia Advisor, Russian Commission on Securities and Exchanges. Drafted sections of Russian Corporate Code under USAID grant.	Jan 1994 - Feb 1994
<u>Holland & Hart</u> , Denver, Colorado Summer Associate in litigation department.	May 1991 - Aug 1991
<u>Kobayashi & Associates</u> , Denver, Colorado	June 1990 - Aug 1990

Summer Associate in litigation department.

May 1992 - July 1992

PUBLICATIONS – BOOKS AND CHAPTERS

AMY KASTELY, DEBORAH POST, NANCY OTA & DEBORAH ZALESNE, *CONTRACTING LAW* (5th ed. Carolina Academic Press 2015).

DEBORAH ZALESNE & DAVID NADVORNEY, *TEACHING TO EVERY STUDENT: INTEGRATING SKILLS AND THEORY INTO THE CONTRACTS CLASS* (Carolina Academic Press 2013).

Deborah Zalesne & Adam Dexter, *Reynolds v. United States Rewritten*, in *FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: REWRITTEN FAMILY LAW OPINIONS* (forthcoming 2018).

Deborah Post & Deborah Zalesne, *Vulnerability in Contracting: Teaching First Year Law Students about Inequality and its Consequences* in *VULNERABLE POPULATIONS AND TRANSFORMATIVE LAW TEACHING: A CRITICAL READER* (Carolina Academic Press 2011).

Deborah Zalesne, *Making Academics Explicit: Integrating Skills and Doctrine* in *ACADEMIC SUPPORT RESOURCE GUIDE* (2010).

Deborah Zalesne, *Oncala v. Sundowner Offshore Services* entry, in 3 *THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES* 461 (2008).

PUBLICATIONS – ARTICLES

Deborah Zalesne, *Gender Inequality in Contracting* (in progress).

Deborah Zalesne & Adam Dexter, *Polygamy, A Case Study Towards a Reformation of the Liberal State's Treatment of Marriage* (in progress).

Deborah Zalesne, *A Humble Tribute to Professor Deborah Waire Post Upon Her Retirement*, 8 *TOURO J. RACE, GENDER, AND ETHNICITY* ____ (forthcoming 2017).

Deborah Zalesne, *KCon Scholarship Spotlight, Choosing Choice in the Age of ART: Designer Babies and the Case for Genetic Selection*, *CONTRACTSPROF BLOG* (March 10, 2017).

Deborah Zalesne, *The Intersection of Contract Law, Reproductive Technology, and the Market: Families in the Age of Art*, 51 *U. RICH. L. REV.* 419 (2017).

Reprinted in 30 *MINN. FAM. L.J.* 201 (2017).

Deborah Zalesne & John Guyette, *Book Review: MARRIAGE MARKETS: HOW INEQUALITY IS REMAKING THE AMERICAN FAMILY*, 64 *J. LEG. EDUC.* 720 (2015).

Deborah Zalesne, *The Contractual Family: The Role of the Market in Shaping Family Formulations and Rights*, 36 *CARDOZO L.REV.* 1027 (2015).

Deborah Zalesne, *Racial Inequality in Contracting: Teaching Race as a Core Value*, 2013 *COLUM. J. RACE & LAW* 23 (2013).

Deborah Zalesne & David Nadvorney, *Teaching Issue Spotting Explicitly and Integrating the Skill of Note Taking into a Doctrinal Class* in *TECHNIQUES FOR TEACHING LAW 2* (Carolina Academic Press 2011).

Deborah Zalesne & David Nadvorney, *Why Don't They Get it?: Academic Intelligence and the Under-Prepared Student as "Other,"* 61 *J. LEG. EDUC.* 264 (2011).

Deborah Zalesne & David Nadvorney, *Integrating the Skill of Note Taking into a Doctrinal Class in EMORY EXCHANGE FOR TRANSACTIONAL TRAINING MATERIALS*, [HTTP://WWW.LAW.EMORY.EDU/CENTERS-CLINICS/CENTER-FOR-TRANSACTIONAL-LAW-PRACTICE/EMORY-EXCHANGE-FOR-TRANSACTIONAL-TRAINING-MATERIALS.HTML](http://www.law.emory.edu/centers-clinics/center-for-transactional-law-practice/emory-exchange-for-transactional-training-materials.html) (2010).

Deborah Zalesne & David Nadvorney, *Teaching Issue Spotting Explicitly*, 16 THE LAW TEACHER 4 (fall 2009).

Deborah Zalesne, *Integrating Academic Skills into First Year Curricula: Using Wood v. Lucy, Lady Duff-Gordon to Teach The Role of Facts in Legal Reasoning*, 28 PACE L. REV. 101 (2008) (with David Nadvorney).

Deborah Zalesne, *The Gendered Politics of Water: The Effects of Drought on Afghan Widows*, 2 INT'L J. INTERDISC SOC SCIENCES 463 (Common Ground Publishing 2007).

Deborah Zalesne, *Lessons From Equal Opportunity Harasser Doctrine: Challenging Sex-Specific Appearance and Dress Codes*, 14 DUKE J. GENDER L. & POL. 535 (2007).

Reprinted in WORKPLACE HARASSMENT: WOMEN CONCERNS (Icfai University Press India 2008).

Deborah Zalesne, *Statutory Rape, Dial-a-Porn, and Anti-Discrimination Laws entries*, in THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES (2005).

Deborah Zalesne, *Enforcing the Contract at all (Social) Costs: The Boundary Between Private Contract Law and the Public Interest*, 11 TEX. WESLEYAN L. REV. 579 (spring 2005).

David W. Barnes & Deborah Zalesne, *A Unifying Theory of Contract Damage Rules*, 55 SYRACUSE L. REV. 495 (2005).

David W. Barnes & Deborah Zalesne, *The Shadow Code*, 56 S.C. L. REV. 93 (2004).

Deborah Zalesne & Rebecca Barnhart, *Twin Pillars of Judicial Philosophy: The Impact of the Ginsburg Collegiality and Gender Discrimination Principles on Her Separate Opinions Involving Gender Discrimination*, 7 N.Y. CITY L. REV. 275 (2004).

Reprinted in JUDICIAL ACTIVISM: NEED FOR REFORMS (Icfai University Press India 2007).

Deborah Zalesne, *Learning Goals for Business Associations Courses and Simulations and Small Groups*, in TEACHING THE LAW SCHOOL CURRICULUM (Carolina Academic Press 2004).

Deborah Zalesne, *Sexual Harassment in the United States and South Africa: Facilitating the Transition From Legal Standards to Social Norms*, 25 HARV. WOMEN'S L. REV. 143 (2002).

Deborah Zalesne, *The Effectiveness of the Employment Equity Act and the Code of Good Practice in Reducing Sexual Harassment*, 17 S. AFRICA J. HUM. RTS 503 (2001).

Deborah Zalesne, *When Your Harasser is Another Man*, 8 HARVARD GAY AND LESBIAN REV 19 (Jan - Feb 2001).

Hilary Aham & Deborah Zalesne, *Simulated Sodomy and Other Forms of Heterosexual 'Horseplay': Same-Sex Sexual Harassment and the Myth of the Gender Monolith Before and After Oncale*, 11 YALE J.L. & FEMINISM 155 (1999)

Cited in *Frazier v. Delcom Electronics Corp.*, 263 F.3d 663 (7th Cir. 2001).

Deborah Zalesne, *Europe Law*, in READER'S GUIDE TO LESBIAN AND GAY STUDIES 208 (Timothy F. Murphy ed.) (Fitzroy Dearborn Press 2000).

Deborah Zalesne, *Workplace Paranoia: Media Propaganda*, 21 WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL NET (May 1999).

Deborah Zalesne, *Sexual Harassment Law: Has it Gone Too Far, or Has the Media?*, 8 TEMP. POL. & CIV. RTS. L. REV. 351 (1999).

Deborah Zalesne, *When Men Harass Men: Is it Sexual Harassment?*, 7 TEMP. POL. & CIV. RTS L. REV. 395 (1998) (cited in *Higgins v. New Balance Athletic Shoe, Inc.*, 21 F. Supp.2d 66 (D. Me. 1998)).

Deborah Zalesne, *The Intersection of Socio-Economic Class and Gender in Hostile Housing Environment Claims under Title VIII: Who is the Reasonable Person?* 38 B.C.L. REV. 861 (1997).

Arthur Best & Deborah Zalesne, *Peace, Wealth, Happiness, and Small Claim Courts: A Case Study*, 21 FORDHAM URB. L.J. 343 (1994).

Deborah Zalesne, *Report of the CBA Committee on Legal Problems of the Homeless*, 23 COLO. LAW. 547 (1994).

Deborah Zalesne, *The McKinney Homeless Assistance Act: Should a Private Right of Action be Implied?*, 14 HAMLINE J. OF PUB. LAW AND POL. 33 (1993).

Deborah Zalesne & Kinney Zalesne, *Saving the Peremptory Challenge: The Case for a Narrow Interpretation of McCollum*, 70 DENV. U.L. REV. 313 (1993)

Cited in People v. Cerrone, 854 P.2d 178 (Colo. 1993).

SELECTED PAPERS PRESENTED AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Institute for Law teaching and Learning Summer Conference 2017 July 7-8, 2017
UA Little Rock School of Law, AK
Speaker: “Cultural Competency and the Underprepared Law Student as ‘Other’”

12th Annual Int’l Conference on Contracts, Southwestern Law School, CA February 24-25, 2017
Panelist: “Intimate Contracts, Consent and Commodification”

AALS Section on Contracts 2015 Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. January 2-5, 2015
Invited Panelist: Mind the Gap! -- Contracts, Technology and Legal Gaps

2014 SALT Teaching Conference, UNLV School of Law October 10-11, 2014
Speaker: “Increasing Access, Ensuring Diversity: Integrating Academic, Legal Reasoning, and Theoretical Perspective Skills into a Doctrinal Course”

2014 NY ASP Workshop, CUNY School of Law April 4, 2014
Speaker: “Ready, Set, Take Notes”

Ninth International Conference on Contracts, St. Thomas School of Law, FL February 21-22, 2014
Panelist: “Parenting Contracts and the Best Interests of the Child”

AASE Academic Support Inaugural Conference, UNLV School of Law May 28-30, 2013
Speaker: “A New View of Outlining: How to Think about it, How to Do it, How to Teach it”

Summer Conference of the Institute for Law Teaching and Learning June 25-26, 2012
Gonzaga Law School, WA
Value of Variety and Reflecting on our Teaching
Panelist: “The Role of the Curriculum Committee in Promoting the Value of Variety”

Center for Excellence in Law Teaching Conference, Albany Law School, NY March 29-30, 2012
Setting and Assessing Learning Objectives From Day One
Panelist: “Making Assessment Goals Explicit: An Integrated Skills/Doctrine Syllabus”

- Seventh International Conference on Contracts**, Thomas Jefferson Law School, CA March 2-3, 2012
Panelist: “The Contractual Family: The Role of the Market in Shaping Family Formulations and Rights”
- COLUMBIA JOURNAL OF RACE AND LAW Symposium** November 4, 2011
Show Me the Money: Race, the Debt Crisis, and the Growing Wealth Gap
Panelist: “Racial Inequality in Contracting”
- NEPOC and CAPALF Conference**, Hofstra Law School, NY November 3-5, 2011
Exploring the American Family
Panelist: “Contracting Rights of Non-Traditional Families”
- University of Denver Law School Faculty Colloquium** March 25, 2011
Speaker: “Rethinking the Syllabus in Core Courses: Dismantling the Hierarchy between Theory and Skills”
- Sixth International Conference on Contracts** February 18-19, 2011
Moderator and Member, Steering Committee
- Stetson Law School Faculty Colloquium** April 9, 2010
Speaker: “Rethinking the Syllabus in Core Courses: Dismantling the Hierarchy between Theory and Skills”
- Fifth International Conference on Contracts** February 26-27, 2010
Panelist: “Making Academics Explicit: An Integrated Skills/Doctrine Contracts Syllabus”
Member, Steering Committee
- Sixteenth International Conference on Learning**, Barcelona, Spain July 1-4, 2009
Speaker: “Making Academics Explicit and Accessible: A Skills-Based Approach to Teaching”
- Law and Society Association 2009 Annual Meeting**, Denver, Colorado May 28–31, 2009
Roundtable: Teaching Gender Inequality in Law Schools
Discussant: “Techniques and Strategies for Discussing the Role of Gender in the First-Year Contracts Class”
- University of Washington: Legal Education at the Crossroads** September 5-7, 2008
Ideas to Accomplishments: Sharing New Ideas for an Integrated Curriculum
Speaker: “Making Academics Explicit: An Integrated Skills/Doctrine Syllabus”
- Haywood Burns Conference** March 28, 2008
Teaching in a Multicultural, Multilingual Context
Speaker: “Accounting for Diverse Learners in the Large and Smaller Classroom”
- New York State Bar Association Committee on Women in the Law** March 24, 2008
Moderator: “Women in Private Practice” panel
- Touro Law School Faculty Colloquium** February 27, 2008
Speaker: “Skills-Based Teaching: Integrating Skills into First Year Contracts”
- Pace Law School Symposium** November 8-9, 2007
The Enduring Legacy of Wood v. Lady Duff Gordon
Panel Organizer and Panelist: “Wood v. Duff Gordon as a Teaching Vehicle”
- Second International Conference on Interdisciplinary Social Sciences**, Granada, Spain July 10-13, 2007
Virtual Presenter: “The Gendered Politics of Water: The Effects of Drought on Afghan Widows”
- Third International Conference on Contracts** February 23, 2007

Celebrating the Diversity of Contract Law

Moderator: “Issues in Contract Remedies”

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- DUKE JOURNAL OF GENDER LAW & POLICY Symposium** October 20, 2006
Makeup, Grooming, Performance, and Discrimination
Panelist: "Appearance Codes in the Workplace"
- 2006 AALS Midyear Conference** June 10-14, 2006
New Ideas for Law School Teachers: Teaching Intentionally, Vancouver, British Columbia
Speaker: "Maximizing Learning: Creating Classroom Environments that Respond to Different Learning Styles"
- NEW YORK CITY LAW REVIEW Symposium** March 3, 2006
Who Profits from Non-Profits?
Moderator: "Privatizing the Public Sector" Panel
- The Common Law of Contracts as a World Force in Two Ages of Revolution:** June 7-8, 2004
Celebrating the 150th Anniversary of Hadley v. Baxendale, Gloucester, England
Moderator: "Private Law and Public Interest" Panel
- 35th World Congress of the International Institute of Sociology**, Krakow, Poland July 11-16, 2001
The Moral Fabric in Contemporary Societies
Panelist: "Political, Economic and Cultural Limits to Legal Reform: Implications of Contrasting Experiences of Gender Discrimination in Labor Markets in the United States and South Africa"
- Joint Meetings of the Law and Society Association and Research Committee on Sociology of Law, Law in Action**, Budapest, Hungary July 4-7, 2001
Panelist: "The Effect of a Progressive Law on Societal Attitudes in a Developing Country: A Comparative Study of South African and American Sexual Harassment Law"
- Carnegie Foundation Seminar** August 28, 2000
Legal Education and the Practice of Law
Speaker: "The Traditional Model of Legal Education and Alternatives to it"
- Delaware Valley Law Women's Association Annual Conference** February 12, 2000
Update for Feminist Law Professors
Speaker: "Gender Disparities in Clinical Faculty Teaching Salaries"
- Australia Law and Society Annual Conference** December 6-9, 1999
Chaos, Fluidity, Postmodernity, Uncertainty: A Time of Demons and Spirits
Panelist: "Sexual Harassment in South Africa: The Effect of a Progressive Law on a Developing Country"
- Women's Legal Centre**, Capetown, South Africa June 10, 1999
Speaker: "Sexual Harassment in South Africa and the United States: A Comparative Study"
- TEMPLE POLITICAL AND CIVIL RIGHTS LAW REVIEW Symposium** October 10, 1998
Redefining Violence Against Women
Moderator: "Sexual Harassment" Panel
- National Black Law Students Association Northeast Regional Academic Retreat** October 3, 1998
Panelist: "Business Associations Overview"
- TEMPLE POLITICAL AND CIVIL RIGHTS LAW REVIEW Symposium** October 4, 1997
Constructing Family, Constructing Change: Shifting Legal Perspectives on Same-Sex Relationships
Panelist: "Domestic Partnership and the Marketplace"
- Municipal Court of Philadelphia Annual Judicial Conference** May 16, 1997
Speaker: "Implied Warranty of Habitability: Recent Developments Since *Pugh v. Holmes*"

National Women's Law Students Association National Conference

March 1, 1997

Does the Suit Fit: Female Advocacy During and After Law School

Panelist: "Living in the Backlash: Realizing Women's Diversity and Advocacy in Today's Legal Education"

Delaware Valley Law Women's Association Annual Conference

February 22, 1997

Update for Feminist Law Professors

Speaker: "Sexual Harassment in Housing"