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**PERSONAL DATA**

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**EDUCATION**

A.B. Dartmouth College, 1959  
J.D. University of Chicago, 1963

**EMPLOYMENT**

1970-Present Yale Law School, New Haven, CT. Instructor, supervisor and administrator in law student clinical program serving the urban poor, children, prisoners, refugees, and persons with disabilities. Courses taught: Trial Practice; Evidence; Legal Ethics; Disability; Immigration; Housing and Community Development; Homelessness; Landlord-Tenant; Poverty Law; Legal Assistance; Community Lawyering, Child Advocacy; Law and Urban Problems (undergraduate); The Child, Law and Society (undergraduate).

2009-Present William O. Douglas Clinical Professor of Law *Emeritus* and Professorial Lecturer

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| 1989-2009 | William O. Douglas Clinical Professor of Law.   |
| 1989-91   | Clinical Professor of Law and Director of Clinical Studies  |
| 1981-89   | Professor (Adjunct) of Law and Director of Clinical Studies   |
| 1977-81   | Professor (Adjunct) of Law and Supervising Attorney   |
| 1973-77   | Lecturer-in-Law and Supervising Attorney  |
| 1970-73   | Instructor-in-Law and Supervising Attorney  |
| 1967-70   | Staff Attorney (1967-68), Managing Attorney (1968-70),<br>Mobilization for Youth Legal Services, New York, New York |
| 1966-67   | Staff Attorney, Center on Social Welfare Policy and Law,<br>Columbia University, New York, New York                 |
| 1963-66   | Trial Attorney, Criminal Division,<br>United States Department of Justice,<br>Washington, D.C.                      |

### **CURRENT PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

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| 2011-Present | Member, Editorial Board, Connecticut Law Tribune  |
| 1994-Present | Member, Board of Directors, LEAP (Leadership, Education and Athletics<br>in Partnership), New Haven, CT   |
| 1994-Present | Member, Board of Directors, and (since 1996) Vice-President, Benhaven<br>School, Wallingford, CT  |
| 1981-Present | Examiner (1981-92), Member, Board of Directors (1987- present) and<br>(since 1992) Dean and Chair, Examination Committee, National<br>Board of Trial Advocacy |

## **PAST PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Member, Board of Directors, (1995-96, Secretary; 1997-2004 Vice President) Hill Cooperative Youth Services, Inc., New Haven, CT; Member, Board of Directors New Haven Civil Liberties Union; Clifford Beers Child Guidance Clinic; New Haven Jewish Community Center; Ezra Academy; Member, Long Range Planning and Budget and Allocation Committees, New Haven Jewish Federation; Steering Committee, American Bar Association Representation of the Homeless Project; Instructor, Connecticut Valley Hospital Psychiatric Residency Training Program, Middletown, Connecticut; Member, Committee on Development of Opportunities for Minority Lawyers and Pro Bono Committee, New Haven County Bar Association; Member, Board of Directors, Treasurer (1993-98) and Financial Secretary (1991-92), Congregation Beth El Keser Israel; Member, Child Placement Conflict Consulting Group, Yale Child Study Center; Member, Board of Directors, President and Chairman of the Board (1990-92), Connecticut Legal Rights Project; Member, Board of Governors, Society of American Law Teachers (1996-2002); Special Master, Regional Family Trial Docket, Superior Court, Middletown, CT (1994-2014); Member, Criminal Justice Act Advisory Committee, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (2003-2015); Chair, International Advisory Committee, Haifa University Law School Clinics (2009-2014); Member, Advisory Council, Al-Quds University Human Rights Clinic (2009-2012); Adviser, Tel Aviv University Faculty of Law Clinical Program (2001-2018)

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

- 2016 Equal Access to Justice Award, New Haven Legal Assistance Association
- 2013 Community Advocate Award, Junta for Progressive Action, New Haven, CT
- 2009 “Great Teacher” Award, Society of American Law Teachers
- 2008 Distinguished Alumnus Award, Highland Park (Illinois) High School
- 1999 Pioneer of Legal Services Award, MFY Legal Services, New York, New York
- 1999 Theodore I. Koskoff Award for Outstanding Contributions to Trial Law Specialization and Certification, National Board of Trial Advocacy
- 1998 William Pincus Award for Outstanding Contributions to Clinical Legal Education, Section of Clinical Legal Education, Association of American Law Schools
- 1994 Connecticut Law Tribune Award for Distinguished Service to the State Bar

- 1988 Charles J. Parker Legal Services Award, Connecticut Bar Association
- 1985 Richard S. Jacobson Trial Advocacy Teaching Award, Roscoe Pound American Trial Lawyers Foundation

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Review, J. Brodie, et al., "Poverty Law, Policy, and Practice," 22 Georgetown Journal on Poverty Law and Policy 443 (2015)

"Measuring Justice," 2013 Wisconsin Law Review 79 (2013), (with Jane Aiken)

"Service Delivery, Resource Allocation, and Access to Justice: Greiner and Pattanyak and the Research Imperative," 122 The Yale Law Journal Online 45 (2012) (with Jeffrey Selbin, Jeanne Charn and Anthony Alfieri)

"Is Social Justice Still Relevant?" 32 Boston College Journal of Law & Social Justice 345 (2012)

"Learning to Collaborate: The Teaching Legacy of Howard Zonana in Forensic Psychiatry," 38 Journal of the American Academy of Psychiatry and Law 1 (2010)

"A Theology of Justice: Some Reflections on Milner Ball's Non-Religious Practice of Belief," 41 Georgia Law Review 945 (2007)

"Law as Politics," 11 Clinical Law Review 473 (2005)

"Litigation and Minority Rights", Adalah Newsletter, vol. 12, p.1 (2005)

"Walking the Clinical Tightrope: Between Teaching and Doing", 4 University of Maryland Law Journal of Race, Religion, Gender and Class 259 (2004)

"Teaching and Doing: The Role of Law School Clinics in Enhancing Access to Justice", 73 Fordham Law Review 997 (2004), (with Jane Aiken)

"Religious Values, Legal Ethics, and Poverty Law", 31 Fordham Urban Law Journal 37 (2003)

"Law as Social Work", 11 Washington University Journal of Law and Policy 63 (2003) (with Jane Aiken), reprinted in Haifa Forum for Social Work, November 2004 (Hebrew)

“The Law School Clinic: Legal Education in the Interests of Justice,” 52 Fordham Law Review 1929 (2002)

“Ha’Klinikah Ha’Mishpatit: Hinuch Mishpati B’Shem Ha’Interes Ha’Tziburi” (“The Law School Clinic: Legal Education in the Public Interest”) 25 Iyunei Mishpat (Tel Aviv University Law Review) 369 (2002) (Hebrew)

“Beyond Skills Training”, 7 Clinical Law Review 327 (2001)

“Can Law Schools Teach Students to Do Good? Legal Education and the Future of Legal Services for the Poor,” 3 CUNY Law Review 259 (2000)

Review, P. Schrag & M. Meltsner, “Reflections on Clinical Legal Education,” Jurist: The Law Professors’ Network, Vol. 1, No.8, November 1998

“Is Learning to ‘Think Like a Lawyer’ Enough?”, 17 Yale Law & Policy Review 583 (1998)

“Rationing Justice,” 1997 New York University Annual Survey of American Law 1019 (1997)

“Repairing the World Through Law: A Reflection on Robert Cover's Social Activism,” 8 Cardozo Studies in Law & Literature 1 (1996)

“On Youth Crime and the Juvenile Court,” 36 Boston College Law Review 1025 (1995)

“Do the Poor Have a Right to Family Integrity?”, in CHILD, PARENT AND STATE: LAW AND POLICY READER, Temple University Press (1994)

“Of Scarce Resources and Gilded Cages: A Case Study,” 27 McGill Journal of Education 377 (1992) (with Carroll Lucht)

“Judging in the Good Society: A Comment on the Jurisprudence of Justice Scalia,” 12 Cardozo Law Review 1831 (1991)

“Commentary on Children’s Rights,” 17 Ohio Northern Law Review 647 (1991)

“Homelessness: Advocacy and Social Policy,” 45 Miami Law Review (1991)

“Legal Considerations in the Psychiatric Hospitalization of Children and Adolescents,” and “The Mental Health Professional in the Juvenile Justice System,” chapters in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry: A Comprehensive Textbook (Williams & Wilkins, 1991; 2nd edition, 1996; 3<sup>rd</sup> edition (2001)

“What is a Law School?”, 38 Emory Law Review 701 (1989)

“Being a Lawyer for a Child too Young to be a Client: A Clinical Study,” 68 Nebraska Law Review 330 (1989) (with Miriam Berkman)

“Passion in Legal Argument and Judicial Decision Making: A Comment on Goldberg v. Kelly,” 10 Cardozo Law Review 179 (1988)

“Discretionary Waiver of Juvenile Court Jurisdiction: ‘An Invitation to Procedural Arbitrariness’,” 3 Criminal Justice Ethics 41 (Summer/Fall 1984)

Review, P. Prescott, “The Child Savers: Juvenile Justice Observed,” 2 Criminal Justice Ethics 55 (Winter/Spring 1983)

“Here’s What We Do: Some Notes About Clinical Legal Education,” 29 Cleveland State Law Review 673 (1980) (with Dennis Curtis)

“Punishing the Innocent: Juvenile Court Jurisdiction over ‘Status Offenders’,” 19 Journal of Child Psychiatry 328 (1980)

Connecticut Mental Health Law Practice Manual (Connecticut Bar Foundation, 1978) (with Mary Keller)

“The Penal Model of Juvenile Justice: Is Juvenile Court Delinquency Jurisdiction Obsolete?” 52 New York University Law Review 1120 (1977) (with Mary Keller)

“Implications of the Donaldson Decision: A Model for Periodic Review of Committed Patients,” 28 Hospital and Community Psychiatry 827 (1977) (with Lansing Crane and Howard Zonana)

Review, P. Murphy, “Our Kindly Parent - The State: The Juvenile Justice System and How It Works,” 17 Arizona Law Review 258 (1975)

“The Child and the State: Adversaries in the Juvenile Justice System,” 4 Columbia Human Rights Law Review 389 (1972), reprinted in Legal Rights of Children (Burdick, 1973)

“The Defense Counsel: Neither Father, Judge, Probation Officer or Social Worker,” Trial 7:5 (September/October 1971)

“Juvenile Justice and the Rehabilitative Ideal,” 2 Yale Review of Law and Social Action 82 (1970)

Review, P. Dodyk, et al., “Cases and Materials on Law and Poverty,” 70 Columbia Law Review 1305 (1970) (with William Resnick)

“Pot, Prayer, Politics and Privacy: The Right to Cut your Own Throat in Your Own Way,” 54 Iowa Law Review 709 (1969) (with Jonathan Weiss)

“Bail and Civil Rights,” 2 Law in Transition Quarterly 111 (1965)

## **BAR ADMISSIONS**

District of Columbia 1964

New York 1967

Connecticut 1971

United States District Courts:

District of Columbia 1964

Southern District of New York 1970

District of Connecticut 1971

United States Courts of Appeals:

District of Columbia Circuit 1964

Second Circuit 1971

United States Tax Court 1974

United States Supreme Court 1975