

Experience

Lewis & Clark Law School, Portland, Oregon

June 2011-present

Professor (June 2015-present) & Associate Professor (June 2011-June 2015)

Director, Criminal Justice Reform Clinic

Courses: Lawyering I&II, Public Interest Lawyering: Theory and Practice, Wrongful Convictions, Criminal Justice Seminar (various subjects), Current Issues in Criminal Law

Clinic: Created Criminal Justice Reform Clinic (CJRC), a legal clinic where 10-12 students represent clients, conduct research, write reports and briefs, and interact directly with clients, lawyers, and experts around the state on various criminal justice issues. Supervise students and staff attorneys on clinical case and project work.

*Recipient of 2015 Leo Levenson Award for Excellence in Teaching

*Recipient of 2020 Student Leadership Service Outstanding Faculty Award

Selected Publications:

The Governor's Clemency Power: An Underused Tool to Mitigate the Impact of Measure 11 in Oregon, LEWIS & CLARK L. REV. (2020) (with Venetia Mayhew).

It's Not a Match: Why the Law Can't Let Go of Junk Science, 81 ALBANY L. REV. 895 (2018) (with Janis Puracal).

Overtuning Apodaca v. Oregon Should Be Easy: Non-Unanimous Jury Verdicts in Criminal Cases Undermines the Credibility of the Justice System, 95 OR. L. REV. 1 (2017) (with Amy Saack).

Contemporary Perspectives on Wrongful Conviction: An Introduction to the 2016 Innocence Network Conference, San Antonio, Texas, 45 HOFSTRA L. REV. 365 (2017).

Oregon's Death Penalty: A Cost Analysis (Academic Study and Report) (with Dr. Peter Collins and Venetia Mayhew) (November 2016).

Who Could it Be Now? Challenging the Reliability of First Time In-Court Identifications After State v. Henderson and State v. Lawson, 105 J. CRIM. L. & CRIMINOLOGY 947 (2016) (with Janis Puracal).

Contemporary Perspectives on Wrongful Conviction: An Introduction to the 2015 Innocence Network Conference, Orlando, Florida, 3 TEX. A&M L. REV. 179 (Fall 2015).

How to Build a Public Interest Lawyer (And Help All Law Students Along the Way), 15 LOY. J. PUB. INT. L. 153 (Fall 2013).

Oregon's Death Penalty: The Practical Reality, 17 LEWIS & CLARK L. REV. 1 (Spring 2013).

Law School Service: Chair, Criminal Law Committee (2017-present); Advisor, Women in Criminal Law (2017-present); Advisor, Public Interest Law Project (2012-present); LRAP Committee (2012-present); Member, Employment Committee (2018-present)

- Forensic Justice Project**, Portland, OR 2019-present
Of Counsel
 Consult and assist with cases, policy and communications of organization that encourages the use of sound science in the courtroom in order to prevent, or correct, wrongful convictions.
- Community Law Division of Metropolitan Public Defender**, Portland, OR 2016-2020
Co-Founder/Supervisor
 Co-founded and supervised lawyers and students in a division of public defender office that assists clients downstream from the criminal justice system to remove barriers through record clearing and navigating legal areas that strengthen long-term stability such as housing, public benefits, consumer debt, legal status and personal safety.
- Oregon Innocence Project (OIP)**, Portland, OR 2014-2016
Co-Founder
 Co-founded organization that works to exonerate wrongfully convicted individuals.
- Brooklyn Law School**, Brooklyn, NY 2004-2011
Associate Professor & Adjunct Professor
 Courses: Legal Research, Writing & Analysis, Oral Advocacy, Wrongful Convictions, & Public Interest Lawyering: Theory and Practice (co-developed as a new course). Created and launched **The Exoneration Initiative** clinical program with attorney Glenn Garber (2008-2011). Pro Bono Attorney, Safe Harbor (immigration) Clinic (2007-2011).
- Praxis Films**, New York, NY 2005-2010
Producer
 Produced 2010 Emmy nominated documentary *The Oath* about Guantanamo Bay Prison and 2007 Academy Award/Independent Spirit Award nominated documentary *My Country, My Country* about the 2005 elections in Iraq.
- Innocence Project (IP)**, New York, NY 2002-2005
Deputy Director/Attorney/Consultant
 Represented prisoners to obtain DNA testing and litigated to prove their innocence. Raised funds and organized events. Wrote publications on innocence related topics. Supported the Innocence Network made up of thirty IP offices around the country.
Assistant Clinical Professor, Innocence Project Clinic, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law (2002-2004)
 Recruited, trained and supervised law students in Innocence Project Clinic. Taught (as part of a team) a six-credit class on wrongful convictions.
- Testa, Hurwitz and Thibeault**, Boston, MA 2000-2002
Associate
 Litigated on behalf of commercial clients in state and federal court on issues relating to trademark and copyright infringement and securities law. Created litigation strategies with team members. Wrote motions and memoranda. Participated in all phases of discovery and interacted with clients and opposing counsel.
Co-Founder and Attorney, New England Innocence Project (NEIP): Co-founded *pro bono* organization. Represented prisoners to obtain DNA testing to prove their innocence. Coordinated and supervised law students from Boston law schools.
Related Publication: *The Necessity of Funding for Post-Conviction DNA Testing: The Amended Rule 30(c)(5) of the Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure*, 4 Section Rev. (Mass. B. Ass'n, Boston, Mass., Winter 2002).
- The Honorable Joseph E. Irenas, United States District Court**, Camden, NJ 1999-2000
Judicial Law Clerk

Education

Northeastern University School of Law, Boston, MA

J.D. 1999

Awards: Amy Adina Schulman Memorial Fund Recipient
Public Interest Law Scholarship

Activities: *NU Forum* (now *Northeastern University Law Journal*), Editorial Board
Dorchester District Court Observer-researched project mandatory AZT treatment for HIV-positive pregnant women
Massachusetts Department of Mental Health, Legal Representative to Human Rights Committee

The George Washington University, Washington, DC

B.A. Sociology 1991

Activities: Study Abroad Academic Year, **Tel Aviv University**, Tel Aviv, Israel
Lorton Prison, GED Teacher
United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Interviewer of survivors, rescuers and liberators of the Holocaust
Jaffa Institute, English Teacher

Selected Presentations (2017-2021)

Moderator/Speaker, Criminal Justice Reform: New Avenues for Change (Virtual American Constitution Society 2021)

Presenter, Still in Prison Virtual Town Hall with ACLU of Oregon, We Out Here Magazine, Brown Hope, and Color Of Change (Facebook Live 2021)

Presenter, The Death Penalty in Oregon, What if All of Beaverton Read the Same Book? (Virtual Beaverton Library 2021)

Presenter, Walking the Talk: Working with Youth Impacted by the Juvenile Justice System (Virtual Western Oregon University 2020)

Presenter, Self-Evident and Sacred Truths: COVID19, Race and Prisoners (CLE Lecture, Virtual Solomon's Legacy, Jewish Federation of Portland 2020)

Presenter, Wrongful Convictions and the Role of Forensic (Virtual 9th Annual Forensic Science Symposium, hosted by the Global Forensic and Justice Center, 2020) (with Janis Puracal, Forensic Justice Project)

Presenter, Wrongful Conviction and the Role of Forensics (Pacific Northwest Division of the International Association for Identification and Northwest Association of Forensic Scientists, Portland, OR 2019) (with Janis Puracal, Forensic Justice Project)

Presenter, Making Sense of Science XII (National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers Association's Forensic Science & the Law, Las Vegas, NV 2019) (with Janis Puracal, Forensic Justice Project)

Presenter, Unwanted Patients: Investigating Hospital Reliance on Arrests in Lieu of Treatment or Discharge Planning, (NW Law & Mental Health Conference, Portland, OR 2019) (with Sarah Radcliffe, Disability Rights Oregon)

Presenter, Clinical Education/Pedagogy and the Impact on Criminal Justice Reform, (Louisiana Law Review Symposium, Baton Rouge, LA 2019)

Presenter, Intro to Reentry (OWLS Community Service Committee CLE Portland, OR 2018)

Presenter, Reentry and Collateral Consequences in Oregon (Workgroup on Reentry, Employment and Housing, Oregon State Capitol 2018)

Graduation speaker, class of 2018 commencement ceremony (Catlin Gable School, Portland, OR 2018)

Lecture and panelist, Non-unanimous Juries In Oregon (Willamette Valley American Inn of Court, Chemetka Community College, Salem, OR 2018)

Presenter, Oregon's Nonunanimous Jury Rule: A Relic of Our Discriminatory Past (Oregon House and Senate Judiciary Committees, Oregon State Capitol 2017)

Presenter, Police Peace PDX: A Community Conversation (The Center, Portland, OR 2017)

Selected Media (2017-2021)

PBS Newshour: [Convictions by non-unanimous juries were banned in 202. What happens to those imprisoned by them?](#)

Statesman Journal: Guest Opinion, [SB 819 aims to get prisoners back in court](#)

The Oregonian: [Nonunanimous juries — recently ruled unconstitutional — convicted hundred sitting in Oregon prisons. Now, they want a fair trial.](#)

The Kansas City Star: ['Do what's right': What's driving a surge of 100 clemency cases among Kansas inmates](#)

CBS News: [Supreme Court to mull challenge to convictions under "racist Jim Crow" jury laws](#)

Willamette Week: [Why Is Measure 11 Still the Law in Oregon?](#)

Willamette Week: [Oregonians Sent a Frightened 17-Year-Old Boy to Prison. My Family Helped.](#)

Portland Tribune: [My View: New D.A. is doing exactly what he promised](#)

Street Roots: [Oregon should overturn all verdicts delivered by non-unanimous juries](#)

East Oregonian: [Thousands of inmates quarantined In Eastern Oregon prison in COVID-19 outbreak](#)

Street Roots: [New CenturyLink contract adds communication barriers for Oregon prisoners](#)

Bend Bulletin: [Guest column: Attorney General Rosenblum must vacate all non-unanimous verdicts](#)

OPB: [Report shows unequal access to juvenile justice in Oregon](#)

The Washington Post: [After summer of chaos and confrontation, Portland braces again for more unrest](#)

New York Times: [In Portland, a Prosecutor Must Decide: Which Protesters Should Go to Jail?](#)

The Oregonian: [Coronavirus precautions in Oregon prisons have unintended consequence for inmates in treatment](#)

AP News: [US Supreme Court bans nonunanimous jury verdicts in Oregon](#)

OPB: [US Supreme Court Ruling Ends Oregon's Non-unanimous Jury Convictions](#)

The Oregonian: [Oregon's nonunanimous jury system struck down by U.S. Supreme Court; could invalidate 100s of convictions](#)

OPB: [Inmates Brace For Virus Outbreak, While Oregon Considers Early Release](#)

The Oregonian, [Opinion: Governor's coronavirus response should include early release of eligible prisoners](#)

The New York Times: [In One State, a Holdout Juror Can't Block a Conviction. That May Not Last.](#)

Portland Tribune, [Nonprofit plugs defense lawyers into new science](#)

The Oregonian, [Opinion: Attorney General Rosenblum is on the wrong side of history](#)

Portland Mercury: [Oregon's Death Penalty Is Almost Nonexistent—So Why Can't We Get Rid of It?](#)

Bloomberg News: [Jury Verdicts in Spotlight on Supreme Court's Opening Day](#)

AP News, [Oregon defends past nonunanimous jury verdicts to high court](#)

The Oregonian, [Opinion: Oregon's new death-penalty law is not retroactive. It's how the law works](#)

The Oregonian, [Lawmakers vote to substantially limit Oregon's death penalty](#)

The Skanner News, ['Unwanted' and Under Arrest](#)

The Oregonian, [Oregon Supreme Court throws out nearly 67-year sentences for 15-year-old twins who killed elderly couple in Salem](#)

Bustle, [What Criminal Justice Reform Looks Like When Black Women's Needs Are Put First](#)

Reason, [The Lingering Stench of Marijuana Prohibition](#)

The Oregonian, [Opinion: Governor should help end mass incarceration with clemency power](#)

Bloomberg News, [Louisiana Vote for Unanimous Juries May Not Be Last Word](#)

KGW, Portland: [WA Supreme Court strikes down death penalty](#)

NPR, Morning Edition: [Oregon Appeals Court to hear challenge to non-unanimous convictions](#)

OPB, Think Out Loud: [Portland Considers Expunging Renters' Felony Records](#)

The Oregonian: [DA drops case against patient who bit nurse](#)

The Advocate: [Oregon eyes own changes to split-verdict law: 'Do we really want to be like Louisiana?'](#)

U.S. News & World Report: [How to Gauge the Strength of Law School Clinics](#)

The Oregonian: [Gov. Kate Brown Pardons Former Portland Gang Member Turned Mentor](#)

The Oregonian: [Campaign to Repeal Oregon's Unusual Nonunanimous Jury System Begins](#)

U.S News & World Report: [Oregon Murder Case Shows Obstacles to DNA Testing](#)