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**ACADEMIC**

**EMPLOYMENT:** Distinguished Professor of Law

Widener University School of Law

Wilmington, DE

(Assistant Prof: 1987-1990; Assoc. Prof.: 1990-1996; Professor: 1996-2014; Distinguished Professor: 2014-present)

*Subjects taught: Family Law; Torts; Public Health Law (S*); Advanced Torts; HIV and the Law (S) ;Global Public Health; Comparative Health Law;Contemporary Tort Theory; Comparative Torts; Business Organizations; Comparative Legal Systems

Director, Widener University School of Law

Health Law Institute

January 2006-June 2014

Lecturer,

Yale University School of Medicine (Public Health Division)

New Haven, CT

Fall 1999-present (last taught Fall 2007)

Director, Widener International Law Institute’s Program in

Lausanne, Switzerland (Summer 2013)

Director, Widener International Law Institute’s Program in

Sydney, Australia (Summer 2001)

Director, International Programs and Graduate Studies

Widener University School of Law

July 1997-August 1999

Director, Graduate Program in Corporate Law and Finance

Widener University School of Law

July 1996-June 1997

Visiting Professor of Law

California Western School of Law

San Diego, CA

Spring, 2002

Visiting Professor of Law,

Southern Methodist University School of Law

Dallas, TX

Fall 1998

Bigelow Fellow and Lecturer in Law

University of Chicago School of Law

Chicago, IL

September 1986-June 1987

# HONORS AND

**AWARDS:**

**Named Law School “Distinguished Professor,”** 2014

**Outstanding Faculty Award,** May 2000 and May 1991

**Alumni Outstanding Faculty Award**, 2004

Widener University School of Law

**Winner, Douglas Ray Distinguished Faculty Scholarship Award,** 2011

**for book: Reconsidering Law and Policy Debates: A Public Health Perspective** (Cambridge, 2011) (editor and chapter contributor) and for **body of work, 2010-2011**

###### Winner, Douglas Ray Distinguished Faculty Scholarship Award, 2005 for *Tort, Compensation, and Two Kinds of Justice,*

55 Rutgers L. Rev. 1027 (2003)

Named one of ***23 Law Professors to Take Before You Die,*** by

National Jurist, March 2011

# OTHER LEGAL

**EMPLOYMENT:**

Associate, Litigation Department

Cahill Gordon & Reindel

New York, NY

October 1983-August 1986

Law Clerk to Hon. Joseph M. McLaughlin,

United States District Judge

Eastern District of New York

August 1982-September 1983

**EDUCATION:** Fordham University School of Law, J.D., 1982

Associate Editor, Fordham Law Review

College of William and Mary, B.A., Philosophy and English, 1978

High Honors in Philosophy

Thesis: *Two Notions of Language and Language Investigation*

Captain, Division I Swim Team

# MAJOR PUBLICATIONS:

*Books*:

Same-Sex Legal Kit for Dummies (with Carrie Stone) (John Wiley & Sons, 2013)

Reconsidering Law and Policy Debates: A Public Health Perspective (editor and contributor) (Cambridge University Press, 2011)

*Book Chapters*:

*Ball of Con(stitutional) Fusion: The Supreme Court’s Evolving Gay Rights Jurisprudence,* in Controversies in Equal Protection Cases in America: Race, Gender, and Sexual Orientation (forthcoming, July 2015)

*Public Health and Marriage (Equality)*, in Reconsidering Law and Policy Debates (above)

*Introduction: Bringing Public Health to Bear on Contentious Legal and Social Issues,* in Reconsidering Law and Policy Debates

*Law Journal Articles*:

*After Marriage Equality, What’s Next for Relationship Recognition?,* \_\_\_ S. D. L. Rev. \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2015).

United States v. Windsor *and the Future of Civil Unions and Other Marriage Alternatives,*59 Vill. L. Rev. Tolle Lege 27 (2013)

Book Review Essay, Emily Bazelon, Sticks and Stones: Defeating the Culture of Bullying and Rediscovering the Power of Character and Empathy, 22 Temple Pol. & Civ. Rights L. Rev. 262 (2013)

*Bullying, Litigation, and Populations: The Limited Effect of Title IX,* 35 West. New Eng. L. Rev. 323 (2013)

*Sandusky’s Victims: Compensation, Vindication, and Blame*, 22 Widener L. J. 589 (2013)

*The NFL and Beyond: Compensation, Litigation, and Public Health Issues in the Concussion Cases*, 8 Florida Int’l L. Rev. 5 (2012)

*Duty Per Se: Reading Duty to Report Child Abuse Statutes to Create a Common Law Duty,* 19 Widener L. Rev. 73 (2013) in Symposium, Bradley and Beyond

*Civil Unions Reconsidered,* 26 J. Civ. Rts. & Econ. Dev. 621 (2012)

*Toward a Mature Doctrine of Informed Consent: Lessons from a Comparative Law Analysis,* 1 British J. Am. Leg. Stud. 551 (2012) (with K.-J. Wu, O. Faparusi, and E. Juray) (peer-reviewed)

*More Than the Victims: A Population-Based, Public Health Approach to Bullying of LGBT Youth,* 38 Rutgers L. Rec. 163 (2011)

*Marriage Equality? First, Justify Marriage (If You Can),* 1 Drexel L. Rev. 485 (2009)

*Marriage, Tort, and Private Ordering: Rhetoric and Reality in LGBT Rights,* 84 Chi.-Kent L. Rev. 437 (2009)

*The Short, Puzzling(?) Life of the Civil Union,* 19 B.U. Pub. Int. L.J. 1 (2009)

*Beyond Rights and Morality: The Overlooked Public Health Argument for Same-Sex Marriage*, 17 J. L. & Sexuality 7 (2008)

*What Does Justice Require for the Victims of Katrina and September 11?*, 10 DePaul J. Health Care L. 179 (2007)

*The Gay Marriage Backlash and its Spillover Effects: Lessons*

*from a (Slightly) “Blue State,”* (with Stacey L. Sobel)

40 Tulsa L. Rev. 443 (2005), in

Symposium: The Legislative Backlash to Advances in Rights for Same-Sex Couples

*“Lawrence-ium”: The Densest Known Substance?,*

11 Widener L. Rev. 259 (2005), in

Symposium: Readings of *Lawrence v. Texas*

*Bad Science, Worse Policy: The Exclusion of Gay Males from Donor Pools,* 24 St. Louis U. Pub. L. Rev. 129 (2005), in

Symposium: Out of the Closet and Into the Light: The Legal Issues of Sexual Orientation

*Writing On, Around, and Through* Lawrence v. Texas,

38 Creighton L. Rev. 493 (2005), in

Symposium on the Implications of *Lawrence* and *Goodridge* for the Recognition of Same-Sex Marriages and the Validity of DOMA

Book Review Essay, *Sex, Fear, and Public Health Policy,* 5 Yale J. Health Pol’y L. & Ethics 327 (2005) (reviewing William J. Woods and Diane Binson, eds, Gay Bathhouses and Public Health Policy (2003)).

*Even More Wrongful Death: Statutes Divorced from Reality,* 32

Fordham Urb. L. J. 171 (2005), in Special Series: 2003 Lavender Law Conference.

*Public Nuisance Claims Against Gun Sellers: New Insights and Challenges* (with Jean Eggen), 38 Mich. J. L. Reform 1 (2004).

*The Heterosexual Agenda*, 13 Widener L. J. 759 (2004), in Symposium: The Right to Marry: Making the Case to go Forward

*Tort, Compensation, and Two Kinds of Justice,* 55 Rutgers L. Rev. 1027 (2003).

*Gun Torts: Defining a Cause of Action for Victims in Suits Against*

*Gun Manufacturers* (with J. Eggen), 81 N.C. L. Rev. 115 (2002).

*Recurring Nightmare: Barriers to Effective Treatment of HIV in the United States and Internationally,* 35 John Marshall L. Rev. 381 (2002), in Presentation: Dealing with International AIDS: A Case Study in the Challenges of Globalization, 35 John Marshall L. Rev. 381-432).

*AIDS in National and International Law* (Remarks on Barriers to Prevention and Treatment), in Proceedings of the 96th Annual Meeting, American Society of Int’l Law at 320, 324 (2002).

*Defining a Proper Role for Public Nuisance Law in Municipal Suits Against Gun Sellers: Beyond Rhetoric and Expedience* (with Jean Eggen), 52 S. Car. L. Rev. 217 (2001)

*A ‘Clanging Silence’: Same-Sex Couples and Tort Law,*

89 Ky. L.J. 911 (2000-2001), in Symposium: From Outlaws to In-Laws: Issues Surrounding the Evolving Legal Status of Lesbian and Gay.

*A Tale of Two Concurrences: Same-Sex Marriage and*

*Products Liability,* 7 W. & M. J. Women & L. 447 (2001).

*Uprooting the Arguments Against Same-Sex Marriage,*

20 Cardozo L. Rev. 1119 (1999).

Book Review Essay, Robert Wintemute, Sexual Orientation and Human Rights, 16 Wisc. Int’l L.J. 579 (1998).

*The Emperor Has No Causation: Exposing a Judicial Misconstruction of Science,* 2 Widener L. Sym. J. 185 (1997).

*The Limits of Product Liability Reform Within a Consumer*

Expectation Model: A Comparison of Approaches Taken by the United States and the European Union,

19 Hastings Int’l & Comp. L. Rev. 1 (1995).

*Reinvigorating Educational Malpractice Claims: A Representational Focus,* 66 Wash. L. Rev. 349 (1992).

*Real and Imagined Effects of Statutes Limiting the Liability of*

*Non-Manufacturing Sellers of Defective Products,*

95 Dickinson L. Rev. 287 (1991).

*Spielberg Reconsidered: Problems in Application and Content of*

*the Deferral Doctrine,* 49 Fordham L. Rev. 1116 (1981)

*Periodicals*:

*The Doomed Sandy Hook Lawsuit,* Slate, Dec. 16, 2014.

*Are Parents Obliged to Pay for College,* Slate, Dec. 5, 2014.

*After the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill,* Slate, Nov. 11, 2014.

*Bespoke Babies,* Slate, Oct. 3, 2014.

*What Today’s Gay Marriage Victory in Pennsylvania Means for the Rest of America,* Slate, May 20, 2014.

*Pay Up, BP!,* SLATE, May 19, 2014.

*What We’re Losing When We Lose Giovanni’s Room,* Phila. City Paper, May 15, 2014, <http://citypaper.net/article.php?What-we-re-losing-when-we-lose-Giovanni-s-Room-20330>

*In Pennsylvania, the State Can’t Bring Itself to Justify its Gay Marriage Ban,* Slate, May 15, 2014.

*How to Fix Baseball’s Replay Mess,* SLATE, April 16, 2014.

*Don’t Lose Sight of the Goal of Obamacare,* March 28, 2014, DELCO TIMES.

U.S. v. Windsor *Must Be This Generation’s* Brown v. Board of Education, *Not Its* Roe v. Wade, SLATE, March 6, 2014.

*Casinos for Seniors: Full of Sound and Light, Signifying Emptiness,* HUFF. POST, Feb. 26, 2014.

*Michael Sam Understands That Football is a Business. That’s Why He Felt Comfortable Coming Out,* SLATE, Feb. 15, 2014

*Hey, Hey, NCAA. Unionize College Sports Today*, SLATE, Jan. 29, 2014.

*How to Sue Over the Christie Bridge Scandal and Win,* Slate, Jan. 14, 2014.

*A New HBO Film Focuses on Elizabeth Taylor’s Involvement in the Fight Against AIDS,* Slate, Dec. 2, 2013.

*The Case of the Errant Hot Dog Toss,* Slate, Nov. 22, 2013.

*Jonathan Rauch’s Staggeringly Naïve View of LGBTQ Lives,* Slate, Nov. 19, 2013.

*Gay Marriage is Booming. Where Does that Leave Civil Unions?,* Slate, Nov. 8, 2013.

*Gov. Corbett’s Corrosive Condescension,* Slate, Oct. 5, 2013, at

<http://www.slate.com/blogs/outward/2013/10/05/gov_tom_corbett_s_homophobic_comments_are_corrosive_and_appallingly_condescending.html> (cross-posted to Huffington Post)

*The Most Ingenious Attack on Gay Marriage Bans,* Slate, Oct. 2, 2013, at <http://www.slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/jurisprudence/2013/10/the_pennsylvania_lawsuit_with_the_best_chance_of_toppling_state_laws_against.html> (reprinted by L.A. Times, Chi. Tribune, Miami Herald, Denver Post, Charlotte Observer, Newsday)

*Once Again on Taxes, Obama Supports LGBT Rights by Leaving Congress out of It,* Slate, Sept. 3, 2013.

*Suspend Your Disbelief,* Slate, August 6, 2013, at:

<http://www.slate.com/articles/sports/jurisprudence/2013/08/a_rod_suspension_why_it_s_not_crazy_to_think_the_fading_yankees_slugger.html>

Op-ed, *Make Gun Companies Pay Blood Money,* New York Times, June 23, 2013 (with Lucinda M. Finley), at <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/06/24/opinion/make-gun-companies-pay-blood-money.html?_r=0>

*My Life Among the (Somewhat Gay-Friendly) Mormons,* Huffington Post, May 14, 2013, at [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/john-culhane/my-life-among-the-somewha\_b\_3253620.html#](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/john-culhane/my-life-among-the-somewha_b_3253620.html)

*The Ennead Awards: Nine Justices, Nine Prizes,* Huffington Post, April 10, 2013, at <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/john-culhane/supreme-court-justices-same-sex-marriage_b_3001085.html>

*DIG It,* Slate, March 28, 2013, at: <http://www.slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/jurisprudence/2013/03/prop_8_standing_and_cert_improvidently_granted_in_the_california_gay_marriage.html>

*Coercion, Not Consent,* Huffington Post, March 20, 2013 (with Gayle Matthews), at:

<http://www.huffingtonpost.com/john-culhane/coercion-not-consent_b_2917625.html>

*NASCAR Fans v. Flying Car Parts,* Slate, March 1, 2013, at: <http://slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/jurisprudence/2013/03/daytona_crash_should_nascar_have_to_pay_big_settlements_to_fans_injured.html>

*Sue the Gun Makers, and the Sellers, Too,* Slate, Dec. 19, 2012, at

<http://slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/jurisprudence/2012/12/congress_should_repeal_the_law_that_protects_the_gun_industry_from_lawsuits.html>

*Have Gay Marriage Advocates Been Too Successful?,* Slate, Dec. 10, 2012, at:

<http://slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/jurisprudence/2012/12/supreme_court_gay_marriage_how_the_advocates_of_same_sex_unions_may_have.html>

*Penn State’s Disaster Cleanup*, Slate, July 9, 2012, at:

<http://www.slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/jurisprudence/2012/07/penn_state_should_borrow_lessons_from_the_bp_oil_spill_fund_in_cleaning_up_the_disaster_caused_by_jerry_sandusky_s_sexual_abuse_of_children.html>

*California Should Not Pass ‘Multiple Parents’ Bill*, Huffington Post, Aug. 17, 2012 (with Elizabeth Marquardt), at:

<http://www.huffingtonpost.com/elizabeth-marquardt/multiple-parents-bill_b_1791709.html>

*In the ‘Baby Veronica’ Case, Shouldn’t We Ask What’s Best for the Child*, Slate, Aug. 28, 2012, at:

<http://www.slate.com/blogs/xx_factor/2012/08/28/baby_veronica_case_the_indian_child_welfare_act_is_bad_for_adoption_.html>

*Are The Norms of Marriage Worth Saving?*

New York Times, *Room for Debate,* January 20, 2012, at:

<http://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2012/01/20/the-gingrich-question-cheating-vs-open-marriage/are-the-norms-of-marriage-worth-saving?scp=4&sq=Culhane&st=cse>

*No to Nuptials,* Slate, January 3, 2012, at <http://www.slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/jurisprudence/2012/01/are_states_that_experiment_with_opposite_sex_civil_unions_offering_a_way_to_opt_out_of_oppressive_ideas_about_marriage_.html>

*Concussions and Cigarettes,* Slate, July 26, 2011, at <http://www.slate.com/id/2300103/>

*The NFL’s Next Big Headache?,* Slate, February 2, 2011, at <http://www.slate.com/id/2283618/>

*Why the 9/11 Bill is Fair Enough (Even If It’s Not Perfectly Just),*

Slate, December 23, 2010, at <http://www.slate.com/id/2279168/>

*The Wizardry of Ken Feinberg,* Slate, July 22, 2010, at

<http://www.slate.com/id/2261461/>

*Sandbags Full of Money: Victim Compensation After 9/11*, Dissent, Fall 2003 at 57, at <http://dissentmagazine.org/article/?article=458>

*Documentary Film*: Featured in *America Betrayed,* on governmental failures contributing to effects of Hurricane Katrina, and on compensating victims of disaster (narrator: Richard Dreyfuss)

*Amicus briefs:* Worked on several briefs relating to litigation challenging section 3 of the Defense of Marriage Act (including brief filed in U.S. Supreme Court in *Windsor* case, filed by Family Law Professors Sample brief at:

[www.glad.org/.../**gill**.../2011-11-03-**gill**-v-opm-**amici**-**family**-**law**.pdf](http://www.glad.org/.../gill.../2011-11-03-gill-v-opm-amici-family-law.pdf)

**MAJOR**

**PRESENTATIONS and MEDIA APPEARANCES (selected):**

*Marriage Equality’s (Possibly) Legitimate Children: Domestic Partnerships, Civil Unions, Designated Beneficiaries, and Other Relationships to be Named Later*

AALS Mid-Year Meeting (Family Law Section)

Orlando, Florida

June 23, 2015

***Keynote****: Compensation for Physical Injury Under Common Law:*

*The Limits of Tort and the Lure of Replacement Systems*

Hacettepe University

Ankara, Turkey

May 6, 2015

*Compensation in Medical Malpractice Cases*

Hacettepe University

Ankara, Turkey

May 7, 2015

*Domestic Violence: Specific Populations, Specific Challenges*Commentator, Symposium on Domestic Violence

Widener Law -- Delaware

April 17, 2015

*Marriage Equality, Retrenchment, and Progress*

LGBT Symposium

University of South Dakota School of Law

March 27, 2015

Guest, Gil Gross Show

Topic: *Must Parents Pay for their Adult Children’s Education?*

December 5, 2015

Presentation at Annual Mid-Atlantic LGBTQ Conference

*Religious Exemptions to Legal Requirements: Understanding the Hobby Lobby Decision*

Bloomsburg University (PA)

November 8, 2014

Presentations at Lavender Law Annual Meeting:

(1) *Not Just Michael Sam:* *The Coming Banality of Coming Out in Professional Sports* and

*Review of Junior Scholars’ Scholarship*

New York, NY

August 22 & August 23, 2014

Presentation, *The Paradoxes of Civil Unions*

AALS Mid-Year Meeting,

Section on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity

Washington, DC

June 6, 2014

Guest, Radio Times (National Public Radio Show)

*“Same-Sex Marriage Legalized in Pennsylvania”*

May 28, 2014

Guest, Press Play (with Madeleine Brand),

KCRW Radio (NPR), Los Angeles

March 27 & Feb. 5, 2014

Topic: Northwestern football players’ union cert. petition

Presentation, *Getting Gun Sellers to Compensate Victims of Violence: A Modest Proposal*

Drexel University School of Law

March 24, 2014

Panelist, Symposium on Protecting Athletes from Concussions

Topic: *Compensation as a Limited Part of a Public Health Response to Sports-Related Concussions*

Maryland Law School

March 7, 2014

Guest, Newsworks Tonight

*Gay Marriage Hearing Set for Tomorrow in Commonwealth Court,*

Sept. 3, 2013, at <http://www.newsworks.org/index.php/local/item/59301-gay-marriage-hearing-se>

Guest, Voice of America (Chinese language version)

*More States Pass Tougher Laws Restricting Abortions*

August 23, 2013, at:   
[http://www.voachinese.com/content/more-states-pass-tougher-laws-restricting-abortions-20130823/1735961.html](https://wumail.widener.edu/wm/mail/fetch.html?urlid=5fd5a785b3a80fce5e82b719d2333f7a7&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.voachinese.com%2Fcontent%2Fmore-states-pass-tougher-laws-restricting-abortions-20130823%2F1735961.html)

Turkish-American Law & Ethics Symposium

Presentation, *Remedies for Physician Negligence in the U.S. : The State of the Law and Emerging Challenges* (book chapter in works)

Ankara, Turkey

May 3, 2013

Presentation, *Short- and Long-Term Consequences of the Erosion of Informed Consent in the Abortion Context*

in Symposium, *Roe After 40: Roe’s Impact on Public Health*

(co-chaired symposium) Widener University School of Law

April 25, 2013

Guest, The Mitch Albom Show

Topic: *Compensation fund for victims of Boston Marathon bombing*

April 25, 2013

*State of our Unions: Arguments Have Been Made: Now What?*

Panel Discussion on DOMA/Prop 8 arguments hosted by

Wash. Post & Google Hangout

March 27, 2013

Presentation, *Marriage Equality at the Boiling Point: Supreme Court Takes on a Cultural Clash*

Arts & Science Lecture Series

Ursinus College

Collegeville, PA

March 25, 2013

Invited Lecturer (to faculty and students)

*“The New Future of the Civil Union”*

Akron Law School

Akron, OH

March 13, 2013

Family Law Scholars Podcast (by Amy Ziettlow)

*Same-Sex Legal Kit for Dummies* (two parts)

March 7, 2013

Panelist, Symposium, Bullying: Redefining Boundaries, Responsibility, and Harm

*A Public Health Approach to School Bullying: Prevention, Populations, and One Definition of Success*

Temple University James E. Beasley School of Law

February 23, 2013

Panelist, *Roe v. Wade: 40 Years On*

Law Journal TV Show

Airdate: Feb. 25, 2012, available at:

<http://youtube.com/watch?v=d50_eMKEHO8&list=UUkpm9QLjl64AsJOp1Hj4o7g&index=3>

Featured Interviewee,

*Same-Sex Marriage Legal in Maryland*

CBS Eyewitness News (Philadelphia)

January 1, 2013

Panelist, *Same-Sex Marriage:The Long and Winding Road to the Supreme Court*

Law Journal TV Show

Airdate: December 3, 2012

Broadcast available at: <http://youtube.com/watch?v=fJgZpTT57eE&list=UUkpm9QLjl64AsJOp1Hj4o7g&index=12>

Panelist, Civil Remedies in the *Sandusky* Case,

*Compensating Sandusky’s Victims* in

Legal Implications of the Sandusky Scandal

Widener University School of Law

Harrisburg, PA

October 12, 2012

National LGBT Bar Association, Annual Lavender Law Conference, *Building a Queer-Friendly Legal Academy: Accomplishments and the Road Ahead,* August 24, 2012

Guest, The Gil Gross Program (NewsTalk 910, San Francisco) (discussing proposed legislation in California that would allow a court to recognize three legal parents) August 21, 2012

Featured Speaker, *The Illinois Experiment: Straight Civil Unions and the Future of Marriage*

American Constitution Center for Law and Policy

Chicago, IL

April 10, 2012

Speaker, *Reproductive Rights and Marriage Equality: A Public Health Perspective*

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

Wilmington, DE

March 1, 2012

Featured Speaker, *The Effect of Civil Unions on Employment Law*

Delaware State Bar Association, Employment Section

February 21, 2012

Panelist, Reproductive Rights Law Symposium: 39th Anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*

Topic: *Abortion, Public Health, and Informed Consent*

Widener University School of Law

January 24, 2012

Guest, Radio Times (National Public Radio Show)

Topic: *Same-Sex Marriage: The Political and Legal Landscape*

January 23, 2012

Panelist, *Taking Stock at Title IX’s 40th Anniversary: Athletics, Single-Sex Education, and Bullying/Harassment*

**Joint Program of Sections on Education Law, Law and Sports, and Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Issues**

**AALS Annual Meeting (Jan. 5, 2012, Washington, DC)**

**Featured Speaker, *Reconsidering Law and Policy Debates***

**Health Policy Forum**

**Thomas Jefferson School of Population Studies**

**December 14, 2011**

Panelist, Environmental Justice: Fukushima and Beyond

Topic: *Achieving Environmental Justice Through Compensation*

American Public Health Association Annual Meeting

Washington, DC, Nov. 1, 2011

Panelist, *Marriage by Any Other Name*

Law Journal TV Show

Airdate: October 10, 2011

Broadcast available at <http://lawjournaltv.com/tv-shows/tv-shows.php?category=full&p=2>

Keynote Speaker: Constitution Day

*Marriage, Citizenship, and the Constitution*

Widener University

September 16, 2012

Speaker, American Civil Liberties Union (Delaware)

Symposium, *Civil Liberties in Times of Stress*

Topic: *Recent Developments in LGBT Rights*

Wilmington, DE

March 11, 2011

Featured Guest, The Dave Scott Show (internet radio)

Discussing recent developments in LGBT Rights

March 2 and March 10, 2011

Speaker, Employment Section of Delaware State Bar Association

Topic: *Interpreting the Recently Enacted Legislation Barring Anti-Gay Discrimination*

Wilmington, DE

November 16, 2010

Panelist, Annual Symposium of Journal of Civil Rights and Economic Development

*Legal, Secular and Religious Perspectives on Marriage Equality/Marriage Protection/Same-Sex Marriage*

Topic: Civil Unions

St. John’s Law School, Queens, NY

November 5, 2010

Panelist, Pennsylvania Bar Institute

Workshop on Emerging Issues in Law (CLE Program)

Panel Topic: Cutting-Edge Issues in Reproductive Technologies

Presentation: *The New Gametes*

Philadelphia, PA

September, 2010

Panelist, Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting

Section on Family and Juvenile Law

Topic:Money, Intimacy, Law and the Contours of Inequality

Financial Interdependence and Same-Sex Relationships

January 8, 2010

<http://www.aalsweb.org/2010podcasts/friday/FamilyandJuvenileLaw.mp3> (podcast)

Panelist, *Public Health Dimensions of Domestic Violence*.

Co-sponsored by Stand Up for What’s Right and Just (“SURJ”); [Delaware Center for Justice](http://dcjustice.org/), [Children and Families First](http://www.cffde.org/), [Child Inc](http://www.childinc.com/)., and the [Delaware Coalition Against Domestic Violence](http://www.dcadv.org/).

Newark, DE

November 5, 2009

Panelist, Boston University Public Law Journal Symposium

Courting Change: Legal Perspectives on LGBT Issues

Topic: *The Short, Puzzling(?) Life of the Civil Union*

October 23, 2009

Panelist, Lavender Law Conference

“LGBT Tort Law”

Topic: *Wrongful Death and Loss of Consortium*

Brooklyn, NY

September 12, 2009

Guest, Midday with Dan Rodricks

“The State of ‘Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell’”

June 30, 2009

Guest, Radio Times (National Public Radio Show)

“*Tensions Between the Obama Administration and the Gay Community*”

June 24, 2009

Guest, Radio Times (National Public Radio Show)

“*The On-Going Battle Over Same-Sex Marriage*”

December 2, 2008

Guest, Radio Times (National Public Radio Show)

*“Family Matters: Gays and the Law”*

May 5, 2006

Panelist: *Family Matters*

## Equality Forum: The Global GLBT Event

##### Philadelphia, PA

May 5, 2006

Panelist: *Custody Reform on the Horizon* (ethics panel)

Pennsylvania Bar Institute, CLE Course

Philadelphia, PA

April 24, 2006

Panelist, *Compensating Disaster Victims within the Limits of Distributive Justice: Emphasizing the Needs for Planning and Prevention,*

## Conference on Bioterrorism and Natural Disasters

## DePaul Law School

March 31-April 1, 2006

Invited Speaker, Family Law Section

Philadelphia Bar Association

“Current Issues: Same-Sex Marriage and Domestic Partnerships”

Philadelphia, PA

November 1, 2004

Participant, Debate on Marriage: *“Where Do We Go?”*Widener University School of Law

Harrisburg, PA

October 21, 2004

Moderator, *Plenary Session on Same-Sex Marriage*

Lavender Law Annual Conference 2004

Minneapolis, Minnesota

September 30-October 2, 2004

Panelist, *Debate on Same-Sex Marriage*

Annual Meeting, Texas State Bar Association

San Antonio, TX

June 15, 2004

*Civil Unions and Gay Marriage: A Spectrum of Institutions*

Gay Marriage: PBI/CLE Accredited Course

Equality Forum, Philadelphia, Pa

April 29, 2004

Panelist, *Same-Sex Marriage*

Voice of America radio program: “Talk to America”

February 20, 2004

(audio available at: www.voanews.com/talktoamerica)

Featured Speaker, Press Conference to address gun-industry immunity legislation pending before the U.S. Senate

Sponsors: Brady Campaign/Million Mom March

February 19, 2004

Wilmington, DE

Panelist, *The Changing Landscape of our Communities*

Annual Meeting,

U. Penn. Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Alumni Ass’n

Philadelphia, PA

November 8, 2003

Panelist, *Civil Justice? The Tort System’s Treatment of LGBT Persons* (discussing wrongful death laws)

Lavender Law 2003

Fordham University School of Law

New York, NY

#### October 17-19, 2003

Integrating Sexual Minority Issues into Torts Courses

Conference on Torts: *The Judge’s New Robe*

AALS Mid-Year Meeting

New York, NY

June 17- 20, 2003

Presentation: *Teaching the “New” Public Health*

American Society of Law, Medicine, and Ethics

##### Annual Health Law Teachers Conference

Widener University School of Law

June 6-7, 2003

Invited and funded participant,

Workshop: *Creating a Model Syllabus for course on*

*Bioterrorism and Public Health Law*

McGeorge School of Law

Sacramento, CA

March 20-21, 2003

Health in Difference 4: Fourth National Lesbian, Gay, Transgender and Bisexual Health Conference

University of Sydney

Sydney, Australia

*HIV Treatment Means HIV Prevention: Deconstructing the Impossibility of Treatment Argument*

November 1, 2002

Speaker, Faculty Seminar

*Recent Developments in the United States Relating to Same-Sex Couples*

University of New South Wales, Faculty of Law

Sydney, Australia

October 29, 2002

*Who Needs A Bill of Rights? Comparing the Australian and the American Experiences*

Forum, University of Technology, Sydney (UTS)

## Sydney, Australia

## October 25, 2002

The American Society of International Law

ASIL 96th Annual Meeting

Panelist, “AIDS in National and International Law”

### March 15, 2002

## Association of American Law Schools 2002 Annual Meeting

Panelist, Joint Program of Sections on Gay and Lesbian Legal Issues and International Law

*Dealing with International AIDS: A Case Study in the*

*Challenges of Globalization*

January 4, 2002

Keynote Luncheon Address, *Same-Sex Couples: Why Can’t Two Live as Cheaply as One?*

Symposium: Gender and Sexuality Studies at Penn State

Tenth Anniversary Celebration, Coalition for GLBT Equality

Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA

October 13, 2001

Presenter, Annual Health Law Teachers Conference

American Society of Law, Medicine, and Ethics

*Defining a Proper Role for Public Nuisance Law in Municipal Suits Against Gun Sellers: Beyond Rhetoric and Expedience*

Boston University School of Law

June, 2001

Presentation on Same-Sex Marriage to Gay and Lesbian Legal Issues Section of Dallas Bar Association

December, 1998

Presenter, Annual Health Law Teachers Conference

Topic: *Solving Causation Problems in Toxic Exposure Cases*

University of Houston Law Center

June, 1998

Keynote Speaker, *Legal and Ethical Challenges in HIV/AIDS Care*

Presentation to private and public health care practitioners

Crozer-Chester Medical Center, Chester, PA

April, 1997

Presentation to Pennsylvania Assembly Majority Caucus on possible effects of product liability reform legislation

February, 1989

**OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

**AND PRESENTATIONS:**

*Blog*: <http://wordinedgewise.org> (posts on a number of issues relating to many different issues, since January 2009)

*Column,* “Law, Unwrapped” at The New Civil Rights Movement

columns at <http://thenewcivilrightsmovement.com/category/john-culhane> (October 2011-mid-2013)

*Weekly columnist*, 365gay.com (more than 80 entries from March 2010-Sept. 2011) archive at: <http://wordinedgewise.org/?cat=4760>

**Guest blogger for other sites:**

*Family Scholars (June 2012-April 2013)*

*Work can be found here:*

<http://familyscholars.org/author/jculhane/>

*Robert P. George’s Amicus Brief: The Further Misadventures of Warmed-Over Natural Law Arguments,* at

<http://prop8trialtracker.com/2010/09/26/robert-p-georges-amicus-brief-the-further-misadventures-of-warmed-over-natural-law-arguments/#comments>

*“Marriage Equality and Religious Liberty,”* **four-part series** exploring the tension between liberty and equality, available at

<http://prop8legalcommentary.blogspot.com/2009/08/professor-john-culhane-responds-to.html>

August 2009

**Other publications:**

*PFLAG,* in SAGE Encyclopedia of LGBTQ Studies (forthcoming 2016)

Op-ed, *Lawmakers Increasingly Undermining Roe v. Wade,* (with Erin Daly) Wilmington News-Journal, Jan. 18, 2013

Op-ed, *Opposing Health Bill Isn’t Pro-Life*, Wilmington News-Journal, March 22, 2010

*Developing the Connection Between Law and Public Health,* 22 JEFFERSON HEALTH POL’Y NEWSLETTER 4 (Dec. 2009)

*Legal Treatment,* 14 WIDENER LAW No. 2, at 4 (Fall 2007)

*The Health Law Institute: New Initiatives,* 14 WIDENER LAW No. 2, at 7 (Fall 2007).

Foreword, *Why Another Symposium on* Lawrence v. Texas*?*,

11Widener L. Rev. i (2005).

Commentary,

*Throwing a Life Preserver to the City’s Swimming* Pools*,*

Philadelphia Inquirer, September 8, 2004, at B2.

Commentary,

*Coming Out at the Old Ballpark,*

Philadelphia Inquirer, August 18, 2003, at B2.

Perspective (op-ed),

*Gun Makers Seek to Bar Justice,*

Wilmington News Journal, June 22, 2003, at A15.

Interviewee/panelist, Delaware Valley Grantmakers annual meeting. Each year a few grants are featured as the most interesting, promising and successful (ours is the medical-legal partnership)

Philadelphia, PA

October 27, 2009

Guest Professor,

Physician Assistant Program

Arcadia University

Glen Mills, PA

November 20, 2001

Topic: *Issues in HIV Confidentiality and Disclosure*

Delaware Voices (op-ed), *Equality Has Nothing to do with a Disease,* Wilmington News J. (March 19, 2001).

Presented arguments on same-sex marriage in local Borders and Barnes & Noble bookstores, including one in a series on “Law and Society,” throughout the greater Philadelphia area (1999-2000)

Case Commentary, *General Electric Co. v. Joiner*, 522 U.S. (1997), U. Houston Health L. News (1998).

*Graduate Legal Education in the United States,* Int’l Graduate 40 (1998).

Commentary, *Hart v. Jersey City,* 706 A.2d 256 (N.J. Super. A.D. 1998), Forensic Echo, Vol. II, No. 8 at 15 (1998)

**BAR AND LEGAL**

**ASSOCIATION**

**MEMBERSHIPS:**

Admitted to practice in New York State since 1983 (inactive)

Member, American Bar Association

**ORGANIZATIONS,**

**SERVICE, OTHER**

Board Member and Policy Committee Member,

Women’s Way

Philadelphia, PA

Terms began Summer 2014

Co-Chair, LGBT Task Force

Widener University

Chester, PA

Term began Fall 2012

Member, Advisory Council

Equality Delaware

Spring 2011-present

Vice-President and Member of Executive Board

Equality Pennsylvania (Center For Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights)

Philadelphia, PA

2002-2005

Member, Executive Committee, and Founding Sponsor,

AALS Section on Post-Graduate Legal Education (1998-1999)

Member, Policy Committee of Delaware HIV Consortium

Participated in the drafting of recommendations to the Consortium and to Delaware Dep’t of Public Health on reporting HIV status

1995-2001

Board Member,

PrideFest (now Equality Forum)

1998-2000

President, FINS Aquatics Club

Philadelphia, PA

Sept. 2002-Sept. 2003

Head Coach, 1996-2000