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**Bar Memberships:** Maryland and Pennsylvania.

### **Education**

**Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health,**  
Baltimore, Maryland. Master of Public Health, 1990.  
- Program in Law, Ethics and Health  
- Delta Omega Honorary Society in Public Health

**University of Virginia Law School,** Charlottesville, Virginia.  
Juris Doctor, 1986.  
- Order of the Coif  
- Virginia Law Review: Articles Review Board 1985-86  
Editorial Board 1984-85  
- 1985 Ritter Award for Honor, Character, Integrity  
- American Jurisprudence Award in Trusts and Estates  
- Legal Assistance Society: Rights for Handicapped Project

**University of Pennsylvania,** Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.  
Bachelor of Arts in Economics, magna cum laude, 1980.  
- Phi Beta Kappa

### **Professional Experience**

**University of Maryland School of Law,** Baltimore, Maryland  
Director of Legal Writing Program, 1996 to present.  
Law School Assistant Professor, 1996 to 1998.  
Law School Associate Professor, 1998 to present.

**Courses:** Animals and the Law (Seminar); Introduction to Torts; Public Health and the Law (Seminar); Legal Analysis & Writing; Teaching Fellow Seminar; Moot Court Board.

**Service:** Faculty Advisor, Moot Court Board; Member, Curriculum Committee.

**Georgetown University Law Center,** Washington, DC  
Instructor, Legal Research and Writing, July 1991 to May 1996.

Visiting Faculty Co-Advisor, Center for Applied Legal Studies, 1993 to 1994.

**Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health**, Baltimore, MD  
Teaching Assistant, Public Health and the Law, 1989-90.

**Whitman-Walker Clinic, Washington, D.C.**

Staff Attorney, AIDS Services Program, December 1987 to June 1989.

**The Honorable Collins J. Seitz, U. S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.**

Law Clerk. 1986-1987.

### Publications

*Making Decisions about our Animals' Health Care: Does It Matter Whether We Are Owners or Guardians?* 2 *Stanford Journal of Animal Law & Policy* 1 (2009).

*Not a Living Room Sofa: Changing the Legal Status of Companion Animals*, 4 *Rutgers Journal of Law & Public Policy* 314 (2007).

*Medical Treatment Decisions and Competency in the Eyes of the Law: A Brief Survey*, (with Patricia D. White), *Competency A Study of Informal Competency Determinations in Primary Care*, Cutter and Shelp, eds. (1991).

*Regulating the Sale of Human Organs*, 71 *Virginia Law Review* 1015 (1985).

### Selected Presentations

“*Change in Legal Education: Practical Skills*,” Symposium, YES WE CArNegie: Change in Legal Education After the Carnegie Report, John Marshall Law School, Chicago, Illinois. July 29, 2009.

“*Training Law Students to Work in A Legal Writing Center*,” 2008 Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, SJ Quinney College of Law, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. March 22, 2008.

“*Personhood for Pets? The Ramifications of Altering Animals' Status as Property Under Maryland Law*,” Panel Presentation: MSBA Animal Law Section, Maryland State Bar Association Annual Meeting, Ocean City, MD. June 14, 2007

“*Writing Across the Curriculum and Beyond*,” Panel Presentation, MSBA Section on Legal Education and Admission to the Bar, Baltimore, MD. April 17, 2007.

“*Changes in the Legal Status of Animals: What are the Implications?*”

Intern-Resident Rounds, New Bolton Center, Widener Veterinary Hospital, Kennett Square, PA, May 17, 2005.

Grand Rounds, University of Pennsylvania, Matthew J. Ryan Veterinary Hospital, Philadelphia, PA, July 19, 2005.

*"From Property Owner to Guardian: The Changing Legal Relationship between People and Their Companion Animals,"* Panel Session, American Society for Bioethics and Humanities Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, October 28, 2004.

*"Training Teaching Assistants by Modeling Teaching Techniques,"* 2004 Legal Writing Institute Conference, Seattle, Washington, July 23, 2004.

*"Decision Writing: Organization and Clarity,"* Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services, Department of Health and Human Services, Baltimore, MD, October 30 and November 20, 2003.

*"Legal and Ethical issues in Veterinary Clinical Decision-making,"* Panel Discussion at the Second Annual Conference on Laminitis, Palm Beach, Florida, November 11, 2003.

*"A Framework for Discussing Ethical Issues in Veterinary Clinical Decision-making,"* University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine, December 10, 2002.

*"Incorporating Social Justice Issues into Research and Writing Assignments,"* (with Steven Schwinn); *"Using Jeremy Paul's 'A Bedtime Story' to Teach Legal Reasoning Techniques,"* (with Steven Schwinn), Rocky Mountain Regional Legal Writing Conference, Arizona State University College of Law, Tempe, AZ, March 2, 2002.

*"Organization and Clarity in Judicial Writing,"* Judicial Institute of Maryland, Annapolis, MD, March 16, 2001.

*"What's Wrong with Lawyers' Writing and What are Law Schools Doing about it,"* Panel Presentation for the Maryland State Bar Association Annual Meeting, Ocean City, MD. June 10, 1999.

*"Research and Writing in Law Practice: Making the Transition from Law School,"* Miles & Stockbridge Summer Associate Program, Baltimore, MD. Yearly, 1998 - 2008.

*"Writing Legal Documents: Principles and Process,"* National Institutes of Health, Office of Equal Opportunity Complaints Management, Bethesda, Maryland, July 22, 1998.

*"Overview of Synthesis, Outlining and Analysis,"* (with Charles Calleros), Legal Writing Teaching Demonstration at the SALT Teaching Conference on "Reconceiving Legal Pedagogy: Diversity in the Classroom, Clinic, Theory and Practice," Washington College of Law, American University, Washington, D.C. September 25, 1997.

*"Expanded Access to Experimental AIDS Treatments: Unanswered Distributional Questions."* Presentation to University of Maryland Law School Faculty, January 1990.