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andré douglas pond cummings is Associate Dean for Faculty Development and the Charles C. Baum Distinguished Professor of Law at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock William H. Bowen School of Law where he teaches Business Associations, Contracts, Corporate Justice, Entertainment Law, Policing & the Use of Force, Progressive Prosecution and Hip Hop & the American Constitution. He is also Co-Director of Bowen Law's Center for Racial Justice and Criminal Justice Reform. Prior to his appointment at UALR Bowen Law, Dean cummings was a Professor of Law at West Virginia University College of Law and has been a Visiting Professor at numerous law schools. Before embarking on his academic career, cummings worked as a judicial law clerk for Chief Judge Joseph W. Hatchett of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit and for Chief Justice Christine M. Durham of the Utah Supreme Court. In addition, he practiced law at Kirkland & Ellis LLP in Chicago IL, focusing his practice on complex business transactions including mergers, acquisitions, divestitures and securities offerings of publicly traded companies. Simultaneously, cummings represented clients in the sports and entertainment industries, including athletes in the National Football League and Professional Bull Riders, record labels, motion picture production companies, and a variety of authors, including Hollywood screenwriters.

cummings has written extensively on issues regarding investor protection, racial and social justice, and sports and entertainment law, publishing over 40 law review articles and three books including CORPORATE JUSTICE in 2016 and HIP HOP AND THE LAW in 2015.

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University of Arkansas at Little Rock
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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Little Rock, AR (2018 to Present)
William H. Bowen School of Law
Associate Dean for Faculty Development. (2021 to Present)
Charles C. Baum Distinguished Professor of Law. (2021 to Present)
Professor of Law. (2020 to Present)
Associate Professor of Law. (2018 to 2020)

Courses: Business Associations; Contracts I; Contracts II; Corporate Justice; Entertainment Law; Hip Hop & the American Constitution; Policing & the Use of Force; Progressive Prosecution

Awards: Faculty Excellence Award in Social Justice—February 2023; Graduating Class Faculty Honor Marshall—May 2023; Graduating Class Faculty Honor Marshall—December 2022; Graduating Class Faculty Honor Marshall—May 2022; Graduating Class Faculty Honor Marshall—December 2021; Graduating Class Faculty Honor Marshall, May 2021

Committees: Law School: Co-Director, Center for Racial Justice and Criminal Justice Reform (2021 to Present); Faculty Appointments (2018 to Present); Diversity & Excellence, Chair (2018 to 2021); Ad hoc U.S. News & World Report (2019 to 2020); Promotion & Tenure (2020 to Present); Faculty Development, Chair (2021 to Present)

Committees: University: Chancellor's Diversity Council (2018 to Present); Planning and Finance (2019 to Present); Committee on Tenure (2019 to 2021); Institutional Effectiveness Committee (2020 to 2023); Chancellor's Race and Ethnicity Advisory Committee (2020 to Present); Faculty Senator (2021 to 2022); Strategic Planning (2022 to Present); Centennial Campaign (2023 to Present)

Faculty Advisor: Sports & Entertainment Law Society (2018 to Present); Latinx Law Student Association (2020 to Present); Law Review Case Note Supervisor (2018 to Present); The Arkansas Journal of Social Change and Public Service (2023 to Present)

Indiana Tech Law School, Fort Wayne, IN (2012 to 2017)
Interim Dean. (2014)
Vice Dean. (2015)
Associate Dean & Professor of Law. (2012 to 2014; 2016 to 2017)

Courses: Business Organizations; Civil Procedure; Entertainment Law; Ethics; Hip Hop, the American Constitution and Social Justice Lawyering; Professionalism; Sports Law

Awards: Professor of the Year, Law School—2016

Committees: Faculty Appointments, Chair (2012 to 2015); Promotion and Tenure (2013 to 2015); Strategic Planning (2013 to 2016); Curriculum (2012 to 2017); Self Study, Co-Chair (2012 to 2015); University Graduate Council (2012 to 2013, 2016); University Cabinet (2014 to 2015); Admissions, Chair (2014 to 2017); Diversity (2015 to 2017)

Faculty Advisor: Student Bar Association (2014 to 2015); Pre-Law Society (2014 to 2016); International Law Society (2015 to 2017); American Constitution Society (2016 to 2017); Sports & Entertainment Law Society (2016 to 2017)

West Virginia University College of Law, Morgantown, WV (2003 to 2012)

Professor of Law. (2008 to 2012)

Associate Professor of Law. (2003 to 2008)

Courses: Business Organizations, Civil Procedure, Entertainment Law, Hip Hop & the American Constitution, Securities Regulation, Sports Law

Awards: Law Review Outstanding Faculty Contribution Award—2009; Professor of the Year, College of Law—2008; Law Review Outstanding Faculty Contribution Award—2008; West Virginia University Foundation Professor of the Year—2006; Law Review Outstanding Faculty Contribution Award—2005; Professor of the Year, College of Law—2005; Law Review Outstanding Faculty Contribution Award—2004

Committees: Promotion & Tenure (2010 to 2011); Faculty Appointments (2003 to 2004 and 2006 to 2009); Admissions, Co-Chair (2004 to 2011); Cultural Diversity, Chair (2004 to 2006, 2007 to 2008); Federal Judicial Externships, Co-Chair (2004 to 2009); Judicial Clerkships, Chair (2003 to 2012); Minority Recruiting, Chair (2003 to 2009); International Study Programs (2008 to 2011)

Faculty Advisor: American Constitution Society (2004 to 2009); Alliance for Social Justice (2005 to 2009); Sports and Entertainment Law Society (2005 to 2012); Brazil Study Abroad Coordinator (2004 to 2013); Moot Court Board, Advisor (2006 to 2009); Mexico Study Abroad Coordinator (2007 to 2009); Black Law Student Association (2008 to 2009); Law Review Note Advisor (2003 to 2009); Moot Court Competition Coach (2004 to 2009)

Temple University Beasley School of Law, Tokyo, Japan (Summers 2007, 2008, 2010, 2023)

Visiting Professor of Law.

Courses: Civil Procedure, International Intellectual Property, Corporations, Unincorporated Business Associations; eSports & the Law; Hip Hop, Law, Culture, & Race

St. Thomas University School of Law, Miami Gardens, FL (2019 to Present)

Adjunct Professor of Law.

Course: Sports Law; Corporate Justice

Philander Smith College, Little Rock, AR (2019 to 2021)

Adjunct Professor.

Courses: POLS 443 – Law & Society; POLS 493 – The Law School Admissions Test and Preparing for Law School

North Carolina Central University School of Law, Durham, NC (Summers 2012 to 2019)
Visiting Lecturer.
Courses: Corporate Justice; Hip Hop, Law & Social Justice

University of Illinois – Chicago, Chicago, IL (2017 to 2018)
Visiting Professor of Law.
Courses: Contracts I; Contracts II; Hip Hop & the American Constitution; Sports Law

University of Iowa College of Law, Iowa City, IA (2010)
Visiting Professor of Law.
Courses: Corporations, Securities Regulation

University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, Salt Lake City, UT (2009)
Visiting Professor of Law.
Courses: Business Organizations, Entertainment Law

Syracuse University College of Law, Syracuse, NY (2002 to 2003)
Visiting Assistant Professor of Law.
Courses: Contracts, Constitutional Law, Legislation and Process (Securities Regulation focus)

Universidade de Vila Velha, Vila Velha, Brazil (Summers 2005 to 2013)
Fundação Getulio Vargas, Direito Rio, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (Summers 2005 to 2008)
Visiting Lecturer.
Program: Brazil-United States Colloquium on Law, Culture and Politics
Lectures: Comparative Corporate Governance; Global Corporate Social Responsibility;
Comparative Corporate Board Diversity; Racial Coding and the Financial Market Crisis; Private
Prisons in the U.S. and Brazil; Punitive Damages, Judicial Selection, and Consumer Contracts

Universidad de Guanajuato, Guanajuato, Mexico (Summer 2008)
Visiting Lecturer.
Program: Mexico-United States Comparative Legal Study Exchange Program
Lectures: Comparative Corporate Governance; Global Corporate Social Responsibility

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

Honorable Joseph W. Hatchett, Chief Judge, Tallahassee, FL (1998 to 1999)
United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

Honorable Christine M. Durham, Associate Chief Justice, Salt Lake City, UT (1997 to 1998)
Utah Supreme Court

LEGAL and RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Kirkland & Ellis LLP, Chicago, IL (1999 to 2001)
Associate. Worked as a general corporate associate in the Chicago office focusing primarily on
mergers and acquisitions, registering public company securities and general corporate law.

Squire, Sanders & Dempsey LLP, Cleveland, OH (Summer 1997)
Summer Associate.

Callister & Reynolds, Las Vegas, NV (Summer 1996)
Summer Associate.

Congresswoman Jane Harman, (CA) Washington, D.C. (1995 to 1996)
Intern.

E.D.A. Advantage, LLC, Little Rock, AR (1996 to Present)
Founder and Chief Executive Officer. Sports and Entertainment consulting agency specializing in consultations with National Football League athletes, musicians and artists in the R&B and hip hop genres, motion picture production companies, and writers, including screenwriters and novelists

EDUCATION

Howard University School of Law, Washington, D.C. J.D., *cum laude*, May 1997

Honors: Recipient, Merit Scholarship; Recipient, Olender Foundation Scholarship
Dean's Award: Constitutional Law, Civil Law Clinic (Elder Law Program)

Activities: Howard Law Journal – Lead Articles Editor; Clinical Law Center (Elder Law);
The Barrister- Staff Writer; Public Interest Law Society; Entertainment Law
Student Association; Research Assistant- Professor Sharon Styles Anderson

Brigham Young University, Provo, UT B.S., Sociology, April 1994

Honors: Full Tuition Scholarship; Dean's List, 1992-1993, 1993-1994

Activities: University N.C.A.A. Track Team; Women and Children In Crisis Center

PUBLICATIONS

Books

CORPORATE JUSTICE, Coursebook (Carolina Academic Press, 2016) (with Todd Clark)

HIP HOP AND THE LAW, Anthology (Carolina Academic Press, 2015) (with Pamela Bridgewater and Donald Tibbs)

REVERSING FIELD: EXAMINING COMMERCIALIZATION, LABOR, GENDER AND RACE IN 21ST CENTURY SPORTS LAW, Editor (West Virginia University Press, 2010) (with Anne Marie Lofaso)

ENDING THE RACIALIZED WAR ON DRUGS – REBUILDING VICTIMIZED COMMUNITIES (forthcoming 2024) (with Steven Ramirez)

CORPORATE REPARATIONS: MOTIVATING CORPORATE AMERICA TO REPAIR ITS HISTORICAL WRONGS (forthcoming 2024)

Book Chapters

“Trauma,” *in* FIGHT THE POWER: LAW AND POLICY THROUGH HIP-HOP, eds. Frank Rudy Cooper and Gregory Parks (Cambridge University Press) (2022)

“Developing a Social Justice Curriculum and Concentration,” *in* BUILDING AN ANTIRACIST LAW SCHOOL, LEGAL ACADEMY AND LEGAL PROFESSION, ed. Danielle Conway (University of California Press) (forthcoming 2023)

“Thug Life: Hip Hop’s Curious Impact on Criminal Justice,” *in* BEATS NOT BEATINGS: THE RISE OF HIP HOP CRIMINOLOGY, ed. Anthony J. Nocella II (Peter Lang Publishing) (forthcoming 2023)

“A Furious Kinship: Critical Race Theory and the Hip Hop Nation,” *in* CRITICAL RACE THEORY: THE CUTTING EDGE, eds. Richard Delgado & Jean Stefancik (Temple University Press, 3rd edition)

“Thug Life: Hip Hop’s Curious Impact on Criminal Justice,” *in* HIP HOP AND THE LAW, eds. Pamela Bridgewater, andré douglas pond cummings & Donald Tibbs (Carolina Academic Press)

“A Furious Kinship: Critical Race Theory and the Hip Hop Nation,” *in* HIP HOP AND THE LAW, eds. Pamela Bridgewater, andré douglas pond cummings & Donald Tibbs (Carolina Academic Press)

“A Shifting Wind?: Media Stereotyping of American Indians and the Law,” *in* AMERICAN INDIANS AND THE MASS MEDIA, eds. Meta Carstarphen & John Sanchez (University of Oklahoma Press)

“Thug Life: Hip Hop’s Curious Impact on Criminal Justice,” *in* THE ARTS OF IMPRISONMENT: CONTROL, RESISTANCE AND EMPOWERMENT, editor Leonidis Cheliotis (Ashgate Publishing)

“The Temptation of Performance Enhancing Drugs,” *in* REVERSING FIELD: EXAMINING COMMERCIALIZATION, LABOR, GENDER AND RACE IN 21ST CENTURY SPORTS LAW, eds. andré douglas pond cummings & Anne Lofaso (West Virginia University Press)

Law Review Articles

Investor Protection and Corporate Law

Hedge Fund Formation: Only the Entrenched and Wealthy Need Apply, (forthcoming 2024)

The Farcical Samaritan’s Dilemma, 35 ST. JOHN’S J. CIVIL RIGHTS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 219 (2022)

Toward a Critical Corporate Law Pedagogy and Scholarship, 92 WASH. U. L. REV. 397 (2015) (with Steven Ramirez and Cheryl Wade)

Lawless Capitalism and the Dangerous Rule of the Corporate Elite, 41 SECURITIES REGULATION L.J. 411 (2013)

Families of Color in Crisis: Bearing the Crushing Weight of the Financial Market Meltdown, 55 HOWARD L.J. 303 (2012)

Racial Coding and the Financial Market Crisis, 2011 UTAH L. REV. 141 (2011)

Post-Racialism?, 14 IOWA J. OF GENDER, RACE AND JUSTICE 601 (2011)

Procuring “Justice”?: *Citizen’s United*, *Caperton v. Massey* and Partisan Judicial Elections, 95 IOWA L. REV. BULL. 89 (2010)

Still “Ain’t No Glory In Pain”: How the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and Other 1990s Deregulation Facilitated the Market Crash of 2002, 12 FORDHAM J. OF CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL LAW 467 (2007)

“Ain’t No Glory in Pain”: How the 1994 Republican Revolution and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act Contributed to the Collapse of the United States Capital Markets, 83 NEBRASKA L. REV. 979 (2005)

The Integration Conundrum: Debilitating Failures of the Securities and Exchange Commission Must Be Addressed as U.S. Corporate Malfeasance is “Getting Serious, So Serious,” 48 WAYNE L. REV. 1305 (2003)

Race, Social Justice, Criminal Justice Reform and Affirmative Action

Trauma Informed Policing: How Adverse Childhood Experiences Impact Police Officers, 73 CASE WESTERN RESERVE L. REV. (forthcoming 2023) (with Todd Clark, Caleb Conrad and Amy Dunn Johnson)

The Black Wall Street Insurance Grift: Claim Denied, Access Denied, 35 ST. THOMAS L. REV. (forthcoming 2023) (with Kalvin Graham)

Trauma and Policing, 46 UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK L. REV. (forthcoming 2023) (with Todd Clark, Caleb Conrad and Amy Dunn Johnson)

Roadmap for Anti-Racism: First Unwind the War on Drugs Now, 96 TULANE L. REV. 469 (2022) (with Steven Ramirez)

The Racist Roots of the War on Drugs, 44 UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK L. REV. 453 (2022) (with Steven Ramirez)

A Socially Just Peace in the War on Drugs: The Illinois Adult-Use Cannabis Social Equity Program, 53 LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO L.J. 791 (2022) (with Steven Ramirez)

Trauma: Minority Criminal Justice System Exposure as an Adverse Childhood Experience, 90 CINCINNATI L. REV. 857 (2022) (with Todd Clark, Caleb Conrad and Amy Dunn Johnson)

Racial Capitalism and Race Massacres: Tulsa's Black Wall Street and Elaine's Sharecroppers, 56 TULSA L. REV. 101 (2021) (with Calvin Graham)

Abolishing Private Prisons: A Moral and Constitutional Imperative, 49 BALTIMORE L. REV. 261 (2020) (with Robert Craig)

Reforming Policing, 10 DREXEL L. REV. 573 (2018)

"Lord Forgive Me But He Tried to Kill Me": Proposing Solutions to the United States' Most Vexing Racial Challenges, 23 WASHINGTON & LEE J. OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE 3 (2017)

Private Prisons and the New Marketplace for Crime, 6 WAKE FOREST J. OF LAW & POLICY 407 (2016) (with Adam Lamparello)

"All Eyez on Me": America's War on Drugs and the Prison Industrial Complex, 15 IOWA J. OF GENDER, RACE AND JUSTICE 417 (2012)

The Associated Dangers of "Brilliant Disguises," Colorblind Constitutionalism and Post-Racial Rhetoric, 85 INDIANA L.J. 1277 (2010)

"Open Water": Affirmative Action, Mismatch Theory and Swarming Predators: A Response to Richard Sander, 44 BRANDEIS L. REV. 795 (2006)

Grutter v. Bollinger, Clarence Thomas, Affirmative Action and the Treachery of Originalism: "The Sun Don't Shine Here in this Part of Town," 21 HARVARD BLACKLETTER L.J. 1 (2005)

"Never Let Me Slip 'Cause If I Slip Then I'm Slippin'": California's Paranoid Slide From Bakke to Proposition 209, 8 B.U. PUB. INT. L.J. 59 (1999)

Just Another Gang: "When the Cops are Crooks Who Can You Trust?" 41 HOWARD L.J. 383 (1998)

Sports and Entertainment

Meek Mill's Trauma: Brutal Policing as an Adverse Childhood Experience, 33 ST. THOMAS L. REV. 158 (2021) (with Todd Clark, Caleb Conrad and Amy Dunn Johnson)

From "My Mind Playing Tricks on Me" to "Trauma": Adverse Childhood Experiences and Hip Hop's Prescription, 59 WASHBURN L.J. 267 (2020) (with Caleb Conrad)

Teaching Social Justice Through "Hip Hop & the Law," 41 NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL L. REV. 47 (2019)

Junior Seau, Head Trauma, and the NFL's Concussion Problem, 2 MISSISSIPPI SPORTS L. REV. 45 (2013).

A Furious Kinship: Critical Race Theory and the Hip Hop Nation, 48 LOUISVILLE L. REV. 499 (2010).

Thug Life: Hip Hop's Curious Relationship With Criminal Justice, 50 SANTA CLARA L. REV. 515 (2010).

Wide Right: Why the NCAA's Policy on the American Indian Mascot Issue Misses the Mark, 9 MARYLAND J. OF RACE, RELIGION, GENDER AND CLASS 135 (2010) (with Seth Harper).

Pushing Weight, 33 THURGOOD MARSHALL L. REV. 95 (2008).

Progress Realized?: The Continuing American Indian Mascot Quandary, 18 MARQUETTE SPORTS L. REV. 309 (2008).

"Lions and Tigers and Bears, Oh My" or "Redskins and Braves and Indians, Oh Why": Ruminations on McBride v. Utah State Tax Commission, Political Correctness and the Reasonable Person, 36 CAL. W. L. REV. 11 (2000).

Tributes

Richard Delgado and Ice Cube: Brothers in Arms, 33 MINN. LAW AND INEQUALITY: A JOURNAL OF THEORY AND PRACTICE 321 (2015).

Derrick Bell: Godfather Provocateur, 28 HARVARD J. OF RACIAL & ETHNIC JUSTICE 51 (2012).

Chief Justice Christine M Durham: Trailblazer, Pioneer, Exemplar, 75 ALBANY L. REV. 1657 (2012).

Other Writings

Amicus Curiae Brief, Law Professors and Law Students from Arkansas, filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, Nielsen v. Shinn, Case No. 22-15302, "Private For-Profit Incarceration Violates the 13th Amendment to the United States Constitution," August 15, 2022

Amicus Curiae Brief, Law Professors and Law Students from Arkansas, filed in the United States District Court, District of Arizona, Nielsen v. Shinn, Case No. 2:20-cv-01182-PHX-DLR (JZB), "Private For-Profit Incarceration Violates the 13th Amendment to the United States Constitution," June 24, 2021

The Financial Market Crisis and White Collar Crime, Written Testimony, United States Senate Hearing on S.3217, Before the Subcommittee on Crimes and Drugs of the United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary, "Wall Street Fraud and Fiduciary Duties: Can Jail Time Serve as an Adequate Deterrent for Willful Violations?" May 4, 2010

The Historical Impact of Brown v. Board of Education, AFRICALOGICAL PERSPECTIVES: HISTORICAL ANALYSIS OF RACE AND AFRICANA STUDIES, September/October 2005, at 19

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
Illinois Bar (Inactive)

(2022-Present)
(2000-Present)

United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
Utah Bar (Inactive)

(1999-Present)
(1998-Present)

ACADEMIC LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

Keynote/Featured Speaker

University of Michigan, Keynote Speaker, “Critical Race Theory and Hip Hop: A Furious Kinship,” for the University Diversity, Equity & Inclusion 2023 Summit entitled Truth Telling: The Kinship of Critical Race Theory and Hip Hop, Ann Arbor, MI, October 9, 2023 (with co-presenters Black Thought of The Roots and Rapsody)

University of Florida Levin College of Law, Keynote Speaker, “Corporate Justice, Reparations, and Economic Activism,” for the Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations Spring Lecture 2023, Gainesville, FL, February 28, 2023 (with co-keynote Todd Clark)

Pulaski Academy, Featured Speaker, “Why I Write: Drafting Meaningful Scholarship,” for the Honors Thesis High School Writing Class, Little Rock, AR, November 8, 2022

Winthrop Rockefeller Institute, Featured Speaker, “Creating a Center for Racial Justice and Criminal Justice Reform,” for AR Access to Justice Summit, Petit Jean, AR, June 3, 2022

Barry & Turnage, PLLC, Featured Speaker, “The Bowen Law School Social & Criminal Justice Program,” for the 39th Annual Gar Gig Regatta CLE Program entitled “Let Justice Flow: From the Banks of the Ouachita River,” Arkadelphia, AR, April 15, 2022

Emory University School of Law, Guest Lecturer, “Leading as a Lawyer in the Corporate Boardroom on Social Justice Issues,” for Leadership for Lawyers course, Atlanta, GA, March 30, 2022

Georgia State University School of Law, Guest Lecturer, “Corporate Justice in the 21st Century,” for Health Care and Corporate Governance course, Atlanta, GA, February 23, 2022

St. John’s University School of Law, Faculty Workshop Speaker, “The Farcical Samaritan’s Dilemma,” as part of The Honorable Edward Re Faculty Workshop Series, Queens, NY January 31, 2022

Georgia State University School of Law, Guest Lecturer, “Hip Hop’s Critique of Policing and the Criminal Justice System,” for Hip Hop & the Law course, Atlanta, GA, January 20, 2022

Salt Lake Community College, Featured Speaker, “Meek Mill’s Trauma: Brutal Policing as an Adverse Childhood Experience,” at the 7th Annual International Hip Hop Activism Conference, Salt Lake City, UT, December 10, 2021.

First United Methodist Church of Conway, “Ending Mass Incarceration and Abolishing Private Prisons: An Update,” at The Forum Class, Conway, AR, November 7, 2021

Keynote (continued)

University of Central Arkansas, Keynote Speaker, “Howling Into the Hurricane: Breaking Down Systemic Injustice in Arkansas,” at the 2021 Arkansas Racial Equity Summit, Conway, AR, October 26, 2021

Arkansas Juvenile Officers Association Annual Conference, Guest Speaker, “Trauma: Minority Childhood Exposure to the Criminal Justice System as an Adverse Childhood Experience,” Springdale, AR, June 9, 2021

LeadAR at the University of Arkansas, Division of Agriculture, Research and Extension, Guest Speaker, “Three Imperatives for Criminal Justice Reform in Arkansas,” Fayetteville, AR, April 23, 2021

Georgia State University College of Law, Guest Lecturer, “Hip Hop, Law and Trauma,” for Hip Hop & the Law course, Atlanta, GA, January 28, 2021

St. John’s University School of Law, Guest Lecturer, “Meek Mill’s Trauma: Ruthless Policing as an Adverse Childhood Experience,” for Issues of Race & Gender in the Law course, Jamaica, NY, October 26, 2020

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Faculty Colloquium Speaker, “The Farcical Samaritan’s Dilemma,” Houston, TX, February 5, 2020

decARcerate Annual Conference, Featured Speaker, “Howling Into the Hurricane,” Ron Robinson Theater, Little Rock, AR, September 14, 2019

Clinton School of Public Service, University of Arkansas, Clinton School Speaker Series, “Abolishing Private Prisons,” with Executive Director John Dacey, Little Rock, AR, March 25, 2019

First United Methodist Church of Conway, The Forum Class, “The Imperative to Abolish Private Prisons,” Conway, AR, February 10, 2019

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Paradise Valley, Sunday Awakening, “Abolish Private Prisons,” Paradise Valley, AZ, February 25, 2018

The John Marshall Law School, Guest Lecturer, “Private Prisons, Hip Hop, and Activist Responses,” for Mass Incarceration and Human Right course, Chicago, IL, February 20, 2018

North Carolina Central University School of Law, Guest Lecturer, “A Furious Kinship: Derrick Bell, Chuck D, Critical Race Theory and Hip Hop,” for Hip Hop, Law & Social Justice course, Durham, NC, January 2, 2018

The John Marshall Law School, Guest Lecturer, “Private Prisons, Mass Incarceration and Hip Hop’s Critical Response,” for Human Rights, Race and Mass Incarceration course, Chicago, IL, October 12, 2017

SYMPOSIUM: Conference Chairperson; The Corporatization of Criminal Justice; Arizona State University Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law, Phoenix, AZ, April 14, 2017

Keynote (continued)

St. John's University School of Law, Guest Lecturer, "Thug Life: Hip Hop's Curious Relationship with Criminal Justice," for Race and the Law course, Jamaica, NY, March 22, 2017

Wallen Baptist Church, Guest Speaker, "Racial Reconciliation, White Privilege, and the Epidemic of Black Male Homicide in the United States," Presented at the Race and Culture Summit, Fort Wayne, IN, October 5, 2016

Indiana Tech University, Black History Month Speaker, "Straight Outta Compton and the Law: Exploring Hip Hop's Impact on Law and Culture," Fort Wayne, IN, February 1, 2016

St. John's University School of Law, Guest Lecturer, "Richard Delgado and Ice Cube: Critical Race Theory, Hip Hop, and Social Justice Lawyering," for Gender, Race and the Law course, Jamaica, NY, March 16, 2016

Widener University Commonwealth Law School, Faculty Colloquium Speaker Series, "Private Prisons and the New Marketplace for Crime," Harrisburg, PA, February 24, 2016

Smith Academy for Excellence, Guest Speaker, "Surviving and Thriving in an Era of Mass Incarceration and Discriminatory Policing," Fort Wayne, IN, February 17, 2016

Trinity English Lutheran Church, Guest Speaker, "Racial Harmony, White Privilege, and the Role of the Church," Presented at the Sacred Conversations for Racial Justice Summit, Fort Wayne, IN, January 23, 2016

SYMPOSIUM: Conference Co-Chairperson; Protecting the Consumer: Data, Debt & Storm Chasers; Indiana Tech Law School, Fort Wayne, IN, November 18, 2015

Wallen Baptist Church, Featured Speaker and Facilitator, "Racial Reconciliation in the 21st Century," Fort Wayne, IN, November 7, 2015

Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries, Annual Meeting, "Mass Incarceration, Private Prisons, and Police Killing of Unarmed Black Men: Does Hip Hop Have a Prescription?" Fort Wayne, IN, October 21, 2015

The Brandon Foundation, Featured Speaker, "Soaring, Achieving, Overcoming, Believing: Becoming Your Best Self," Fort Wayne, IN, October 12, 2015

University of Arkansas at Little Rock William H. Bowen School of Law, "Reveal, Restore and Resurrect: The Truth About Racial Disparities in the Arkansas Criminal Justice System," Little Rock, AR, August 29, 2015

North Carolina Central University School of Law, Guest Lecturer, "Hip Hop, Law, and Social Justice," in the "Certificate for Justice in the Practice of Law" Program, Durham, NC, July 14, 2015

Smith Academy for Excellence, Guest Speaker, "Reforming 21st Century Policing in Light of the Police Killings of Walter Scott and Freddie Gray," Fort Wayne, IN, May 6, 2015

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SYMPOSIUM: Conference Co-Chairperson; The Future of the Legal Profession and Legal Education; Indiana Tech Law School, Fort Wayne, IN, November 14, 2014

North United Methodist Church, Mid-North Shepherd's Center – Domestic Decisions 2014
“Rejecting the Immoral Private For-Profit Prison Regime,” Indianapolis, IN, October 22, 2014

Headwater's Counseling Services, Inservice Presentation, “The Private For-Profit Prison Folly”
Fort Wayne, IN, September 2, 2014

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Congregation, Sunday Sermon, “Constitutional
Freedom of Religion and the Restoration of the Gospel,” Columbia City, IN, June 29, 2014

Coalition of Black Trade Unionists (CBTU), Featured Speaker, “The Private For-Profit Prison
Regime and How it is Destroying Communities,” Roanoke, IN, June 4, 2014

Concerned Clergy of Indianapolis, Sunday Sermon, “Ending the War on Drugs and
Counteracting the Influence of Private Prison Corporations,” Indianapolis, IN, May 3, 2014

Smith Academy for Excellence, Spring Semester Guest Speaker, “Representing Athletes and
Artists with Integrity,” Fort Wayne, IN, March 19, 2014

SYMPOSIUM: Conference Co-Chairperson; Your Role in Preventing Brain Injury in Student
Athletes; Indiana Tech, Fort Wayne, IN, March 11, 2014

SYMPOSIUM: Conference Co-Chairperson; On the Question of Regulating Guns; Indiana
Tech Law School, Fort Wayne, IN, November 8, 2013

California Western Law School, Fall Diversity Speaker, “Private Prisons for Profit, Hip Hop
and the Law, Attorneys as Advocates,” San Diego, CA, October 24, 2013

Chicago Bar Association, Entertainment Law Section, “Hip Hop's Influence on the Criminal
Justice System,” Chicago, IL, October 17, 2013

Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center, Sunday Sermon, “Ending the War on Drugs,”
Indianapolis, IN, August 31, 2013

Unitarian Universalist Congregation, Sunday Sermon, “Peace, Liberty and Justice for All?:
America's War on Drugs and the Prison Industrial Complex,” Fort Wayne, IN, June 30, 2013

Marquette University Law School, Seventh Annual Meeting of the Law School Diversity
Professionals, “Law Schools and Policy: The Challenge of Diversity in 2013 – A Conversation
with Dean andré douglas pond cummings,” Milwaukee, WI, April 18, 2013

Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, Diversity Roundtable Series, “The Immoral
Incentives of the Private Prison Industry,” Columbus, OH, February 21, 2013

Florida International University College of Law, Faculty Colloquium Speaker Series, “Junior
Seau, Head Trauma, and the NFL's Concussion Problem,” Miami, FL, February 5, 2013

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Capital University Law School, Faculty Colloquium Speaker Series, “Racial Coding and the Financial Market Crisis,” Columbus, OH, April 19, 2012

Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, Diversity Roundtable Series, “Why Diversity Matters Now More Than Ever,” Columbus, OH, March 1, 2012

UNLV Williams S. Boyd School of Law, Faculty Colloquium, “Racial Coding and the Financial Market Crisis,” Las Vegas, NV, February 7, 2012

Drexel University Earle Mack School of Law, Hip Hop and the Law Lecture Series, “All Eyez on Me: Hip Hop, Mass Incarceration, and the Prison Industrial Complex,” Philadelphia, PA, January 26, 2012

University of New Mexico School of Law, Faculty Colloquium Speaker Series, “Racial Coding and Financial Crises,” Albuquerque, NM, October 5, 2011

American University Washington College of Law, Opening Address, “The Transformative Potential of Hip Hop,” at Roots and Reality II: Hip Hop, Law and Social Justice Organizing Conference, Washington, D.C., April 12, 2011

Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, Faculty Colloquium Speaker Series, “Racial Coding and the Financial Market Crisis,” Dallas, TX, October 24, 2010

University of Iowa College of Law, Faculty Colloquium Speaker Series, “Racial Coding and the Financial Market Crisis,” Iowa City, IA, April 29, 2010

University of Iowa College of Law, Black History Month Lecture, “Thug Life: Hip Hop’s Curious Relationship With Criminal Justice,” Iowa City, IA, February 11, 2010

University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, Faculty Colloquium Speaker Series, “Thug Life: Hip Hop’s Curious Relationship With Criminal Justice,” Salt Lake City, UT, November 4, 2009

University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, Minority Law Caucus, “Post Racialism and the Financial Market Crisis,” Salt Lake City, UT, December 4, 2009

SYMPOSIUM: Conference Co-Chairperson; The Financial Crisis: Regulatory and Corporate Governance Critiques and Reforms; University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, Salt Lake City, UT, September 25, 2009

Boston College, American Constitution Society Speaker Series, “Thug Life: Hip Hop’s Curious Relationship with Criminal Justice,” Boston, MA, March 19, 2009

SYMPOSIUM: Conference Chairperson; The Evolution of Street Knowledge: Hip Hop’s Influence on Law and Culture; West Virginia University College of Law, Morgantown, WV, February 12-13, 2009

National White Collar Crime Center, “Securities Fraud in West Virginia,” Charleston, WV, September 24, 2008

West Virginia University College of Law, “Understanding the Financial Market Crisis: Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and the Community Reinvestment Act,” Morgantown, WV, October 29, 2008 (with Steven Ramirez)

West Virginia University College of Law, Hooding Ceremony Keynote, Graduation Speaker as Professor of the Year, Morgantown, WV, May 17, 2008

SYMPOSIUM: Conference Chairperson; Reversing Field: Examining Commercialization, Labor and Race in 21st Century Sports Law; West Virginia University College of Law, Morgantown, WV, October 4-5, 2007

West Virginia Trial Lawyer’s Association, “Piercing the Corporate Veil: West Virginia and National Implications,” Charleston, WV, March 4, 2007

West Virginia Mountain State Bar Association (W.V.’s Minority Bar), “Bias Unaware and Unintended Within the Legal Profession: Tools to Eliminate Bias Through Gaining an Appreciation for Corporate Diversity,” Morgantown, WV, May 19, 2006

Southern Illinois University College of Law, Dean’s Colloquium Speaker Series, “Effectively Teaching the 21st Century Law Student,” Carbondale, IL, December 2, 2005

West Virginia University College of Law, “So You Want to be a Sports Agent?,” Sports and Entertainment Law Society, Morgantown, WV, March 22, 2006

DC West Virginia University College of Law, “Hurricane Katrina and Race,” Alliance for Social Justice, Morgantown, WV, September 2005 (with Dean Joyce McConnell)

West Virginia University College of Law, Hooding Ceremony Keynote, Graduation Speaker as Professor of the Year, Morgantown, WV, May 14, 2005

West Virginia University College of Law, “Brown v. Board’s Impact on Higher Education,” West Virginia Law Review Symposium, Brown v. Board of Education 50 Years Remembered, Morgantown, WV, February 23, 2005

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University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Ending the Racist War on Drugs: Repairing Victimized Communities,” at the Midwestern People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Theme: Is Law Capable of Protecting the Common Good?, Detroit, MI, April 22, 2023 (with Steven Ramirez)

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Hedge Fund Formation: Only the Wealthy and Entrenched Need Apply,” Panel Presentation on “Financial Market Participants,” for the Financial Regulators Under Siege: From Covid to Crypto to SPACs and Beyond Conference sponsored by the Institute for Investor Protection and Center for Business Law, Chicago, IL, April 21, 2023 (with Sevan Avakian, Ijeoma Okoli, Christian Johnson and Christopher Williams)

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St. Thomas University Benjamin L. Crump College of Law, Guest Lecturer, “Trauma Informed Justice and Reforming the Criminal Legal System” for Civil Legal Clinic course, Miami Lakes, FL, April 4, 2023 (with Todd Clark and Amy Dunn Johnson)

University of Arkansas at Little Rock William H. Bowen School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Policing in Communities of Color as an Adverse Childhood Experience,” Panel Presentation on “Trauma Informed Justice,” at the UA Little Rock Law Review Symposium entitled ACEs, Trauma, and the Law, Little Rock, AR, March 3, 2023 (with Amy Dunn Johnson, Todd Clark and Caleb Conrad)

Amnesty International Human Rights Symposium, Invited Panelist, “The Black Wall Street Insurance Grift,” Panel Presentation on “Race and Culture,” for the Human Rights Symposium at the Pulaski Academy, Little Rock, AR, February 18, 2023 (with Joshua Ang Price)

St. Thomas University Benjamin L. Crump College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Claim Denied – Access Denied: The Black Wall Street Insurance Grift,” Panel Presentation on “Lack of Access to the Law: Saving Black Americans a Seat at the Legal Table,” at the St. Thomas Law Review Symposium, Miami Lakes, FL, February 9, 2023 (with Jennifer Martin, Calvin Graham and Todd Clark)

2023 AALS Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, Open Source Panel: “The Student of Color Law School Pipeline Program at the William H. Bowen School of Law,” Panel Presentation “Multifaceted Strategies for Expanding the Pipeline of Diverse Law Students and Attorneys of Color: Law School, Bar Association, and Judicial Commission Collaboration,” San Diego, CA, January 4, 2023 (with Paula Johnson, Craig Boise, Natalie M. Gomez-Velez, Fe Lopez Gaetke, Suzette Meléndez, Mary Lynn Nicolas-Brewster, Tolulope F Odunsi, Sandra Simpson, Troy K. Webber and Angela Winfield)

St. John’s University School of Law, Black Author’s Book Club Speaker, “Trauma,” as part of Fight the Power: Law & Policy through Hip Hop Book Club Convening, Queens, NY, October 13, 2022 (with Frank Rudy Cooper, Gregory Parks and Cheryl Wade)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Invited Panelist, “Elon Musk, Contractual Interpretation and the Twitter Acquisition,” Panel Presentation, “Workshop for Elon Musk & the Law,” Destin, FL, August 1, 2022 (with Joan McLeod Heminway, Carliss Chatman, David Rosenfeld, Colin Marks, Darren Bush, Carla Reyes, Kenya Smith and Karen Moody)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Invited Panelist, “Successfully Entering the Legal Academy,” Panel Presentation, “Aspiring Law Professor Workshop—Introduction to the Academy,” Destin, FL, July 28, 2022 (with Megham Boone, Darren Bush, Jamila Jefferson-Jones, Brian Gallini and Colin Marks)

University Institute of Lisbon – ISCTE, Invited Panelist & Session Chair, “U.S. Policing and Trauma,” Panel Presentation, “Police Behavior,” at 2023 Annual Meeting for Law & Society, Conference Theme “Rage, Reckoning & Remedy,” Lisbon, Portugal, July 14, 2022 (with Inbar Peled, Kim Buchanon, Madalyn Wasilczuk and Laura Wisser)

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University of Arkansas at Little Rock William H. Bowen School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Police Trauma and Adverse Childhood Experiences,” for The Arkansas Journal of Social Change and Public Policy Symposium, Little Rock, AR, April 8, 2022 (with Amy Dunn Johnson, Caleb Conrad and Todd Clark)

Roger Williams University School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Hip Hop, Copyright Law and Fair Use,” Panel Presentation on “Hip Hop & the Law,” Bristol, RI, March 31, 2022 (with Atiba Ellis, Dawn-Elissa Fischer, Todd Clark and Jeff Prystowsky)

Case Western Reserve University School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Trauma Informed Policing: How Adverse Childhood Experiences Impact Police Officers,” Panel Presentation on “Black Transcends Blue: The Intractable Presence of Race in American Policing” at the Case Western Reserve Law Review Symposium, Cleveland, OH, March 17-18, 2022 (with Todd Clark, Amy Dunn Johnson and Caleb Conrad)

Wake Forest Law, Invited Panelist, “Trauma,” Book Launch Celebration for “Fight the Power: Law and Policy through Hip Hop,” Winston-Salem, NC, March 12, 2022 (with Frank Rudy Cooper, Gregory Parks, Kristin Henning, Roger Fairfax, Lolita Buckner Inniss and Hank Chambers)

Georgetown Law Center & University of Houston Law School, Invited Panelist, “The CNN for Black People,” Panel Presentation, at the Race, Law & Media Virtual Conference, Washington, D.C., February 25-26, 2022 (with Caleb Conrad)

University of Arkansas Pulaski Tech, Invited Panelist, “Remembering Dr. Martin Luther King’s Quest for Economic Equality,” Panel Presentation, at the MLK: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Discussion, North Little Rock, AR, January 25, 2022 (with Wendell Griffin, T’juana Byrd-Manning and Mayo Johnson)

Arkansas Bar Association, Invited Panelist, “Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Elder Law Practice: From the Destruction of Black Wall Street to the Racial Wealth, Credit and Property Gap” at the Arkansas Bar Mid-Year Meeting, Elder Law Section Meeting, Little Rock, AR, November 12, 2021 (with Kim Vu-Dinh)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Invited Panelist, “Mapping Career Opportunities,” Panel Presentation, “Workshop for Aspiring Law Professors,” Amelia Island, FL, July 30, 2021 (with Hari Osofsky, Jamila Jefferson-Jones and Seema Mohopatra)

University of Tulsa College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Racial Capitalism and Race Massacres: Tulsa’s Black Wall Street and Elaine’s Sharecroppers,” Panel Presentation on “Excavating the Past, Shaping the Future,” at the Tulsa Race Massacre Symposium 100th Year Commemoration, Tulsa Law Review, Tulsa, OK, May 21, 2021 (with Calvin Graham, Angela Addae, Alicia Odewale and Warigia Bowman)

St. Thomas University School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Meek Mill’s Trauma: Brutal Policing as an Adverse Childhood Experience,” Panel Presentation at Race and Policing in America, St. Thomas Law Review, Miami, FL, April 9, 2021 (with Todd Clark, Caleb Conrad and Amy Dunn Johnson)

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Yale Law School, Law and Political Economy Project, Invited Panelist, “Election 2020’s Anti-Racist Imperative: Unwind the War on Drugs,” Panel Presentation at the LPE Virtual Conference, “The Political Economy of Inequality, Democracy & Oligarchy,” November 13, 2020 (with Atiba Ellis, Emma Coleman Jordan, Steven Ramirez and Gerald Torres)

Salt Lake Community College, Invited Panelist, “Eazy-E’s Prophetic Vision: Discriminatorily Policing the Black Community,” Panel Presentation at The 6th Annual International Hip Hop Activism Conference, Virtual Conference, October 2, 2020 (with Gyasmine George-Williams, Andrea Hunt, Anthony Nocella II, Tony Quintana and Daniel White Hodge)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Invited Panelist, “Practicing Racism and Sexism in the Shadows: Institutional Investors that do not Publicly Report Behaving Badly,” Panel Presentation, “Perspectives on Board Diversity and California’s New Law,” Virtual Conference, August 3, 2020 (with Lisa Broome, Todd Clark, Lisa Fairfax, Joan MacLeod Heminway, Veronica Root Martinez, Karen Woody and Constance Wagner)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Invited Panelist, “Affirmatively and Aggressively Providing Opportunities for Minority Law Students,” Panel Presentation, “Promoting Access to Legal Education,” Virtual Conference, August 1, 2020 (with Mimi Huang, Matthew Kerns, Michelle Mason, Hari Osofsky, Denee Page and Dexter Smith)

2020 AALS Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, Hot Topics Panel: “The Samaritan’s Dilemma: Circumscribing the Will of the People,” Panel Presentation “Democracy Under Siege: Gerrymandering, Racial Politics and Impeachment,” Washington, DC, January 4, 2020 (with Emma Coleman Jordan, Steven Ramirez and Yvonne “Yvette” Lindgren)

2020 AALS Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, Open Source Program: “Teaching Social Justice Through Hip Hop & the American Constitution,” Panel Presentation “Teaching Social Justice in a ‘Hip Hop and the Law’ Course,” Washington, DC, January 3, 2020 (with Todd Clark, Kim Ricardo, Yvonne “Yvette” Lindgren and Donald Tibbs)

University of Baltimore School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Privately Owned Prisons: Perverse Incentives and Perpetuating Slavery,” Panel Presentation on “The Current State of Mass Incarceration,” at the 400 Years: Slavery and the Criminal Justice System, Baltimore Law Review Symposium, Baltimore, MD, November 16, 2019 (with Cecil Hunt, Cassandra Jones Havard and Tammie Szafran)

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Mass Incarceration and the Rule of Law: Investors Beware,” Panel Presentation on “The State of the Rule of Law in the US Today: Why Investors Care,” at the Investors and the Rule of Law Conference, Chicago, IL, October 25, 2019 (with Cheryl Wade, Arthur Acevedo, Deborah Ramirez and Paul Gowder)

Georgia State University College of Law, LatCrit 2019 Biennial Conference, Invited Panelist, “Racism Unchained,” Panel Presentation, “On the Possibility of Deracialization in the U.S. Today,” at The Dispossessed Majority: Resisting the Second Redemption in América Posfascista LatCrit Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, October 18, 2019 (with Arthur Acevedo, Steven Ramirez and Neil Williams)

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Universität Innsbruck, Invited Panelist, “Privately Owned Prisons: Perpetuating the Persistent Tragedy of Slavery in the United States,” Panel Presentation, “Legacies II,” at the Slavery Past, Present & Future: 4th Global Meeting, Innsbruck, Austria, June 18, 2019 (with Karen Bravo, Annika McPherson and Judith Spicksley)

Arkansas State Bar Convention 2019, Invited Panelist, “The Prison Industrial Complex: A Mechanism for Continuing Minority Oppression,” Panel Presentation, “Confronting Mass Incarceration: Implications for Society and the Administration of Justice,” at the Arkansas Bar Association Annual Meeting, Hot Springs, AR, June 14, 2019 (with Anastasia Boles, Zachary Crow, Amy Dunn Johnson, and Judge Marion Humphrey)

University of Arkansas at Little Rock William H. Bowen School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Eradicating Explicit Bias as a Precursor to Addressing Implicit Bias,” Panel Presentation, “Leading the Charge: Fighting Implicit Bias Inside and Out,” at the Racial Disparities in the Arkansas Criminal Justice System’s spring conference 2019, Little Rock, AR, April 26, 2019 (with Rhonda Wood, Joyce Elliott, and Furonda Brasfield)

North Carolina Central University School of Law, Invited Panelist, “A Furious Kinship: The Remix,” Panel Presentation, “The Takeover: Hip Hop’s Evolution and Influence on the Law,” North Carolina Central Law Review Symposium, “Hip Hop & the Law,” Durham, NC, April 3, 2019 (with Andre Smith, Andrea Dennis, and Todd Clark)

University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Invited Panelist, “Hollywood’s Race and Gender Problem: Turning a Corner?” Panel Presentation, “Before and Beyond Black Panther: The Evolution of Race, Gender, Politics and Sexuality in Comics From Print to Screen,” at UALR Diversity Week, Little Rock, AR, March 26, 2019 (with Lauren Williams, Brandon Colvin, Heather Anne Tolliver, Tim Edwards, and Adelene McClenny)

American University Washington College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Have We Entered a Post-Dog Whistle Era?” Panel Presentation, “Democracy in Chains,” at the Fourth National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference – “People of Color and the Future of Democracy,” Washington, D.C., March 23, 2019 (with Juan Perea, Steven Ramirez, and Neil Williams)

University of Arkansas at Little Rock William H. Bowen School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Striking ‘Except as a Punishment for Crime’ From the 13th Amendment,” Panel Presentation, “The Continuation of Prison Slave Labor in Arkansas,” Little Rock, AR, February 27, 2019 (with Wendell Griffen, Vivian Flowers, Kurt Mohammed and D’Angelo Lee)

Utah Valley University, PolyStrong Leadership Summit, Invited Panelist, “Using the Law as a Catalyst for Social Change and Justice,” Panel Presentation, “The Global Leadership Summit,” Orem, UT, August 10, 2018 (with Laura Lui, Sione Langi, and Benton Larsen)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Invited Panelist, “Criminal Justice Reform as the Impetus of NFL Player Protests,” Panel Presentation, “The NFL Protests: Protest and Free Speech in Modern America” Fort Lauderdale, FL, August 9, 2018 (with Howard Wasserman, Michael Green, Todd Clark, and Arnold Loewy)

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The Law & Society Association 2018 Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, “When the Levees Break: Re-Visioning Regulation of the Securities Markets” Author Meets Reader Panel Presentation, “Law at the Crossroads: Le Droit À La Croisée des Chemins,” Toronto, Canada, June 7, 2018 (with Jena Martin, Karen Kunz, Nicola Sharpe, Joan Heminway, and Ellen Berrey)

Case Western Reserve University School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Playing the Trump Card: Criminal Justice Reform in Peril,” Panel Presentation “Racism and Trumpism,” at the Midwestern People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference – “Honoring Dr. King and His Legacy: Redoubling the Struggle for Equality and Inclusion in the Wake of the Social Legitimization of Racism,” Cleveland, OH, April 6, 2018 (with Leland Ware and Ruqaiyah Yearby)

The John Marshall Law School, Invited Panelist, “Careers in Public Interest Law and Public Service,” sponsored by the JMLS National Lawyers Guild, Chicago, IL, March 27, 2018 (with Molly Armour, Emily Coffey, and Samoane Williams)

Arizona Community Foundation, Featured Panelist, “Abolish Private Prisons” at the “Courage to Listen; Courage to Learn; Courage to Act,” Series, Phoenix, AZ, March 22, 2018 (with Caroline Isaacs, Darren Chapman, and Kim Covington)

Drexel University Thomas R. Kline School of Law, Invited Panelist, “‘Lord Forgive Me But He Tried To Kill Me’: Proposing Solutions to the Ineffective Policing of Minority Communities,” at the Race and Policing: Defining the Problem and Developing Solutions Symposium sponsored by the Drexel Law Review, Philadelphia, PA, October 20, 2017 (with Donald Tibbs and Kier Bradford-Grey)

Arizona State University Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law, Invited Panelist, “The Abolition of the Private Prison Industry: Safeguarding Civil, Human and Constitutional Rights,” at the Corporatization of Criminal Justice Symposium, Phoenix, AZ, April 14, 2017 (with Paul Bender and Hadar Aviram)

Southern University Law Center, Invited Panelist, “Teaching Social Justice and Obama-era Policies in the Corporate Law Classroom,” at the Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Theme: Change We Can Believe In? Examining the Post Obama Era, Baton Rouge, LA, April 1, 2017 (with Todd Clark)

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Crimmigration and Private Prisons,” Panel Presentation on “Immigration: Impact of Current Policies and our Role as Advocates,” for the Amaker Social Justice Retreat, Theme: Law, Resistance, and Social Justice, Chicago, IL, March 31, 2017 (with Priscilla Orta-Wenner, Sufyan Sofel, and Maria Woltjen)

2017 AALS Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, Section on Socio-Economics Panel: “The Future of Corporate Governance: How Do We Get From Here to Where We Need to Go?” Panel Presentation, San Francisco, CA, January 4, 2017 (with Lyman Johnson, Kent Greenfield, Kristin Johnson, Daniel Greenwood, Steven Ramirez, and Jannis Sarra)

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Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Teaching Social Justice in the Corporate Law Classroom,” Panel Presentation at the ClassCrits Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, October 22, 2016 (with Todd Clark and Steven Ramirez)

John Marshall Law School, Invited Panelist, “Addressing Racialized Violence: The Role of the Legal Academy,” Panel Presentation at the LatCrit-SALT Annual Meeting, Theme: From the Classroom to the Community: Teaching and Advancing Social Justice, Chicago, IL, September 30, 2016 (with Frank Rudy Cooper, Jasmine Gonzalez Rose, David Patton and Vickie Cassanova Willis)

Huntington University, Invited Panelist, “Black Male Achievement, Mass Incarceration, and Violence: What Can the Church Do?,” Panel Presentation for the Theological and Ethical Issues in Christian Ministry course, Huntington, IN, March 14, 2016 (with Jesse Brown, Iric Headley, Tom Bergler, and Arthur Wilson)

Florida A&M University College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Teaching Social Justice in the Law School Curriculum,” at the Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Theme: Power and Authority in Promoting Justice for All, Orlando, FL, February 27, 2016 (with Todd Clark, Joseph Grant, and Steven Ramirez)

Washington and Lee University School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Questioning the Trajectory of Mass Incarceration Policy,” Panel Presentation at the Policing in America: Powers and Accountability Symposium hosted by the Washington and Lee Journal of Civil Rights and Social Justice, Lexington, VA, January 29, 2016 (with Karen Dansky, JD King, and Donald Tibbs)

Indiana Tech Law School, “Racial Coding, The Mortgage Crisis, and Continuing Injury,” Panel Presentation at the Protecting the Consumer: Data, Debt & Storm Chasers Symposium, Fort Wayne, IN, November 18, 2015 (with Cheryl Wade, Yvette Lindgren, Nancy Boyer and Judith Fox)

Indiana Tech Law School, “The Evolution of Benefit Corporations and Investor Crowdfunding,” Presentation at the Business Compliance Forum, Fort Wayne, IN, October 28, 2015, (with Greg Zoeller and Connie Lawson)

Indiana Tech Law School, Panel Presentation, “Hip Hop and the Law,” Book Launch Celebration, Fort Wayne, IN, October 22, 2015 (with Donald Tibbs, Adam Lamparello, and Kweku Touré (representing Pamela Bridgewater))

Huntington University, “Cities United and Ending Mass Incarceration & Police Brutality,” Panel Presentation at the Martin Luther King Day Celebration, Huntington, IN, January 18, 2016 (with Iric Headley, Michael Armstrong, and Luther Whitfield)

United Methodist Church and Associated Churches of Fort Wayne, Invited Panelist, “Celebrating the Dream – The 31st Annual Service and Panel Discussion,” Fort Wayne, IN, January 17, 2016 (with Gary Hamilton, Quinton Dixie, and Christiana Hicks)

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Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, “Private Prisons, Mass Incarceration, and the School-to-Prison Pipeline: Collateral Consequences,” Panel Presentation at the Rupturing the School-to-Prison Pipeline Symposium, Indianapolis, IN, September 25, 2015 (with Lahny Silva and David Mitchell)

Drexel University Thomas R. Kline School of Law, Panel Presentation, “Hip Hop and the Law,” Book Launch Celebration, Philadelphia, PA, September 8, 2015 (with Donald Tibbs, Daniel Filler, and Kweku Touré (representing Pamela Bridgewater))

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Invited Panelist, “Reversing the Failure of the War on Drugs by Reforming Policing in the United States,” Panel Presentation, “Same Tactics, New Contexts? Examining the Subordinating Effects in the War on Drugs and Terror” Boca Raton, FL, August 2, 2015 (with Emily Berman, Margaret Hu, and Donald Tibbs)

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, “Enterprise Risk Management and Regulation YY: Will it Prevent Crises?” Panel Presentation at the New Legal and Regulatory Terrain for ERM: Outlook for Companies and Risk Managers Symposium, Chicago, IL, March 20, 2015 (with Colleen Baker and Nadelle Grossman)

William & Mary Law School, “Reforming Policing in the United States,” Panel Presentation at the Where Do We Go From Here?: Community or Chaos Symposium, Williamsburg, VA March 17, 2015 (with Adrien Wing, Gregory Carr, Eddie Cole, Vivian Hamilton, Monique Dixon, Jamel Donnor, and Jessica Pierce)

West Virginia University College of Law, “Families of Color in Crisis: How Hyperpolicing and Prison Policy have Disrupted Minority Families,” at the Mid-Atlantic People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Theme: The New Color Lines: What Will it Mean to be an American?, Morgantown, WV, January 31, 2015 (with Anita Ortiz Maddali)

New Zion Tabernacle, “Dr. King’s Dream Remains Elusive,” Panel Presentation, “Repentance and Reconciliation: Remembering the Reverend Martin Luther King,” Associated Churches of Fort Wayne, Fort Wayne, IN, January 18, 2015 (with Charles Pratt, Kellie McClung, Javier Mondragon, Deborah Joiner, Robert Bell, Anthony Payton, and Quincy McGhee)

University of Minnesota Law School, “Richard Delgado and Ice Cube: Brothers in Arms,” Panel Presentation, “Examining Critical Race Theory: Honoring Richard Delgado Symposium,” Minnesota Journal of Law and Inequality, Minneapolis, MN, October 10, 2014 (with Michelle Goodwin)

UNLV Law School, “On Scholarship: Writing Critical and Progressive Scholarship,” Panel Presentation at the 12th Annual LatCrit-SALT Junior Faculty Development Workshop, Las Vegas, NV, October 9, 2014 (with Neil Gotanda, Frank Valdez, Chip Carter, and Adrien Wing)

UCLA Law School, “The Appearance of Diversity: Corporate Boardrooms, the Black Body, and the Propriety of a Good Photo-Op,” Panel Presentation at the Whiteness is Property Critical Race Studies Symposium, Los Angeles, CA, October 4, 2014 (with Nick Sciullo)

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Indiana Tech Law School, “Toward a Critical Corporate Pedagogy and Scholarship,” Panel Presentation, “Hot Topics,” at the Midwestern People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Fort Wayne, IN 46814, April 4, 2014 (with Steven Ramirez, Catherine Smith, Frank Rudy Cooper, and Terry Smith).

University of Michigan School of Law, “Hip Hop’s Constitutional Critique of the War on Drugs and the Private Prison Corporation,” Panel Presentation, “Hip Hop, Mass Incarceration, and the Private Prison Industrial Complex,” Ann Arbor, MI, March 14, 2014 (with Sonja Starr and Donald Tibbs)

University of Baltimore Angelos Law Center, “False Promises: Hip Hop’s Critique of the Failed Great Society,” Panel Presentation, “Say What?: Hip Hop Theorizes the Political,” at the Mid-Atlantic People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Baltimore, MD, January 25, 2014 (with Donald Tibbs and SpearIt)

Universidad de Puerto Rico, Invited Panelist, “Have Drugs Won the War on Drugs? Or Was the Drug War Ever Really About Drugs?” Panel Presentation, “Defining Vice: Evolving Standards or Morality, Law, and Governance,” at the Northeastern People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico, December 5, 2013 (with Lahny Silva and Patrice Fulcher)

Indiana University Purdue University – Fort Wayne (IPFW), Invited Panelist, “The Critical Importance of Legal Ethics in Business Relationships,” Panel Presentation, “Blurred Lines or Black and White,” The Fort Wayne Chapter of the Institute of Internal Auditors, Fort Wayne, IN, November 15, 2013 (with Kent Kauffman, Abraham Schwartz, and Dawn Wilson)

Drug Policy Alliance Reform Conference, Invited Panelist, “Hip Hop’s Strident Call to Reform Criminal Justice,” Panel Presentation, “Can Hip Hop Help End the Drug War?” Denver, CO, October 25, 2013 (with Jasiri X, Tommy McDonald, Art Way, and Cassandra Frederique)

LatCrit XVIII Conference, Invited Panelist, “Reimagining Prison,” Panel Presentation, “Neoliberal Financializations and Its Discontents,” at Resistance Rising: Theorizing and Building Cross-Sector Movements, LatCrit XVIII, Chicago, IL, October 4, 2013 (with Emily Houh and Marc-Tizoc Gonzalez)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Invited Panelist, “The Private Prison Regime as a Failure of Corporate Social Responsibility,” Panel Presentation, “Corporate Social Responsibility (or Irresponsibility) in a Recessionary America,” West Palm Beach, FL, August 9, 2013 (with Mitchell Crusto, Joan MacLeod, David Millon, Tim Canova, Mehrsa Baradaran and Julie Hill)

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Invited Panelist, “The Immoral Private Prison Industry,” Panel Presentation “The War on Drugs and the Prison Industrial Complex,” at The Midwestern People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference – “The Re-education of Barack Obama,” Chicago, IL, April 19, 2013 (with Patrice Fulcher, Lahny Silva and Geneva Brown)

St. John’s University School of Law, Invited Panelist, “The Perverse Incentives of the Private Prison Industry,” Panel Presentation “Prisons, Reforms and Rehabilitation,” at the Criminal

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Justice in the 21st Century: The Challenge to Protect Individual Freedoms, Civil Rights, and Our Safety Symposium, St. John's Journal of Civil Rights and Economic Justice, New York City, NY, April 5, 2013 (with Hadar Aviram, Patrice Fulcher, Cheryl Leanza, Judge Harold Baer, Jr. and Marc O. DeGirolami)

University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, Invited Panelist, "Austerity Bites: The Impact of Spending Cuts on Communities of Color," Panel Presentation "Assessing the Legislative and Regulatory Answers to Economies in Crisis," at the Austerity vs. Growth: Lessons for the US Economy Symposium, Salt Lake City, UT, March 1, 2013 (with Jeffrey Schwartz, Christian Johnson, José Gabilondo, Steven Ramirez, and Kern Alexander)

University of Pennsylvania Law School, Invited Panelist, "Derrick Bell: Godfather Provocateur," Panel Presentation, "Derrick Bell's Space Traders: A Meditation on the Meaning of Citizenship," at the Mid-Atlantic People of Color Scholarship Conference," Philadelphia, PA, January 25, 2013 (with Deborah Waire Post, Reginald Robinson, and Josephine Ross)

2013 AALS Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, Section on Socio-Economics Panel: "Corporate Personhood, Fiduciary Duties, Social Responsibility, and Governance," Panel Presentation "Financial Crime and Immunity," New Orleans, LA, January 4, 2013 (with Regina Burch, Lynne Dallas, Christian Johnson, Michael Malloy, Kristin Johnson, and Steven Ramirez)

Loyola University New Orleans Law School, Invited Panelist, "Responding to the 'Crisis' in Legal Education," Panel Presentation "Legal Education Roundtable," at the J. Reuben Clark Law Society Faculty Section Conference, New Orleans, LA, January 4, 2013 (with Kent Syverud, Jim Rasband, Kif Augustine-Adams, and Chad Pomeroy)

2013 AALS Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, Section on Socio-Economics Panel: "Corporate Governance Reforms and Common Sense Regulation of Sophisticated Financial Markets," Panel Presentation "Prison Prioritization," New Orleans, LA, January 3, 2013 (with Lynne Dallas, Steven Ramirez, and Kristin Johnson)

University of Mississippi School of Law, Invited Panelist, "Junior Seau, Head Trauma, and the NFL's Concussion Problem," Panel Presentation "The Impact of Concussion Lawsuits on the Future of Football," at Mississippi Sports Law Review 2012 Symposium, Oxford, MS, November 9, 2012 (with William Berry III, Jeffrey Standen, Andrew Gregory, Todd Wade, and Philip Thomas)

Suffolk University Law School, Invited Panelist, "Private Prison Profiteering and Market Failures," Panel Presentation "Impact of the Financial Crisis on Minority Communities," at The Politics of Racial and Economic Diversity, Northeast People of Color Scholarship Conference, Boston, MA, October 26, 2012 (with Cheryl Wade, Steven Ramirez and Kristin Johnson)

Morehouse College, Spelman College, Clark Atlanta University, Invited Panelist, "Tupac's 'Letter to the President' and 'Still I Rise' as Intellectual Critique of American Law," Panel Presentation, "Better Dayz: Tupac's Critical Call for a More Just Legal System," at The Tupac Amaru Shakur Collection Conference: Hip Hop, Education, and Expanding the Archival Imagination, Atlanta University Center Robert W. Woodruff Library, Atlanta, GA, September 28, 2012 (with Nick J. Sciallo and Todd Clark)

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Law School Admissions Council, Newcomers Conference, Invited Panelist, “Why Diversity Matters in 2012,” Philadelphia, PA, September 10, 2012 (with Kent Lollis and Kathy Northern)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Invited Panelist, “Citizens United and the Corporate Person,” Panel Presentation, “Corporate Citizenship: First Among Equals or Equal Protection?” Amelia Island, FL, August 1, 2012 (with Mitchell Crusto, Matt Vega, Anne Tucker, and Kristin Johnson)

The Law & Society Association 2012 Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, “Families of Color in Crisis: Bearing the Crushing Weight of the Mortgage Meltdown” Panel Presentation, “Race, Class, and Financial Markets,” Honolulu, HI, June 7, 2012 (with Sherri Burr, Dawinder Sidhu, and Alfred Mathewson)

Capital University Law School, Invited Panelist, “All Eyez on Me: Hip Hop, Mass Incarceration and the Prison Industrial Complex,” Diversity Speaker Series, Columbus, OH, April 19, 2012 (with Daren Nealy and Jocelyn Armstrong)

Cumberland School of Law at Samford University, Invited Panelist, “Families of Color in Crisis: Bearing the Weight of the Mortgage Meltdown,” Panel Presentation “Is Homeownership For White People Only: Interrogating the ‘American Dream’” at Transformative Advocacy, Scholarship, and Praxis: Taking Our Pulse, Southeast/Southwest People of Color Scholarship Conference, Birmingham, AL, March 30, 2012 (with Robert Brown and Malik Edwards)

University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Coyotes on Wall Street: The Surprising Motivations of the Mortgage Meltdown CEOs,” Panel Presentation, “Assessing the Legislative and Regulatory Answers to Lehman Brothers,” at Three Years After Lehman: Assessing the Regulatory Reforms on the Next Financial Crisis Symposium, Salt Lake City, UT, February 24, 2012 (with Jerry Markham, Steven Ramirez, and David Marshall)

Howard University School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Hip Hop’s Critique of the Prison Industrial Complex,” Panel Presentation, “Musical Genres Impact on the Law,” at Law and the Historical Moment: The Law’s Response to 21st Century Issues, Mid-Atlantic People of Color Scholarship Conference, Washington, DC, January 27, 2012 (with Donald Tibbs, Akilah Folami, and Atiba Ellis)

2012 AALS Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, Section on Socio-Economics Panel: “Corporate Fiduciary Duties, Social Responsibility and Governance,” Panel Presentation “The Perverse Incentives of a Private Prison Corporate Executive,” Washington, DC, January 5, 2012 (with Steven Ramirez, Christian Johnson, Nicola Sharpe, Kristin Johnson, Jeff Schwartz, Lyman Johnson, Michael Malloy, and Jena Martin Amerson)

Drug Policy Alliance Reform Conference, Invited Panelist, “A Plea for Sanity in U.S. Drug Sentencing Policy,” Panel Presentation, “Can Hip Hop Help End the Drug War?” Los Angeles, CA, November 4, 2011 (with Jasmine Tyler, “Freeway” Rick Ross, Tara Young, and Tommy McDonald)

Panelist (continued)

LatCrit XVI Conference, Invited Panelist, “The Destruction of Minority Wealth: Financial Market Crisis of 2008,” Panel Presentation, “Reconceptualizing Wealth in the Evaluation of Global and Domestic Critiques of Equality,” at Global Justice: Theories, Histories, Futures, LatCrit XVI, San Diego, CA, October 7, 2011 (with Deirdre Bowen, Colin Crawford, Atiba Ellis and Andrea Freeman)

American University Washington College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Racial Coding and the Financial Market Crisis,” Panel Presentation, “Financial Market (Dis)Order: Regulation and Rationalization,” at ClassCrits IV: Criminalizing Economic Inequality Symposium, Washington, DC, September 24, 2011 (with Frank Pasquale and Martin Saavedra)

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Invited Panelist, “The Distortion of Dodd-Frank,” Panel Presentation, “Dodd-Frank and Investor Protection,” at The First Annual Institute For Investor Protection Symposium, Chicago, IL, September 22, 2011 (with Christian Johnson, Regina Burch, Steven Ramirez and Bud Murdock)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Invited Panelist, “The Deception of Dodd-Frank,” Panel Presentation, “Obama’s Legislative Agenda: The Great Society or The New Socialism,” Hilton Head Island, SC, August 3, 2011 (with Mitchell Crusto, Adam MacLeod, and Anne Tucker)

Widener Law School, Invited Panelist, “Minority Coaching Opportunities in Athletics,” Panel Presentation, “Sports Law,” at Widener Law Sports and Entertainment Symposium, Wilmington, DE, April 1, 2011 (with Everette Scott and Ed Wasielewski)

University of Iowa College of Law, Invited Panelist, “All Eyez on Me: Mass Incarceration and the Prison Industrial Complex,” Panel Presentation, “The War On Drugs & Mass Incarceration,” at War On . . . The Fallout of Declaring War on Social Issues, Iowa Journal of Gender, Race and Justice Symposium, Iowa City, IA, March 4, 2011 (with David McCord and Heather Schoenfeld)

Chapman University School of Law, Invited Panelist, “The Delicate Dodd-Frank Dance,” Panel Presentation, “Into the Bog: An Introduction to Dodd-Frank,” at From Wall Street to Main Street: The Future of Financial Regulation, Chapman Law Review Symposium, Orange, CA, January 28, 2011 (with Steven Ramirez, Jim Hawkins, Peter Huang, and Roger Torneden)

2011 AALS Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, Minority Groups Section Panel: “What is Economic Development After Crisis and Disaster?” Panel Presentation “A Failure of Capitalism?” San Francisco, CA, January 7, 2011 (with Cheryl Wade, Jena Martin Amerson, Steven Ramirez, Michelle Alexandre and Leonard Baynes)

2011 AALS Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, Section on Socio-Economics Panel: “Class, Socioeconomics and Critical Analysis,” Panel Presentation “Racial Coding and the Financial Market Crisis,” San Francisco, CA, January 6, 2011 (with Lisa Pruitt, Robert Ashford, Steven Ramirez and Tayyab Mahmud)

Panelist (continued)

University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Invited Panelist, “A Failure of Capitalism” Panel Presentation, “Global Economic Regulation and Power,” at The Color of the Financial Crisis: Exploring the Downturn From the Bottom Up, LatCrit XV Conference, Denver, CO, October 8, 2010 (with Tayyab Mahmud, Steven Ramirez, Shalanda Baker and Michael Sousa)

University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Deregulation and its Devastating Consequences” Panel Presentation, “Markets in Crisis,” at The Color of the Financial Crisis: Exploring the Downturn From the Bottom Up, LatCrit XV Conference, Denver, CO, October 8, 2010 (with Regina Burch and Joseph Grant)

Seton Hall University Law School, National People of Color Scholarship Conference, Invited Panelist, “A Failure of Capitalism” Panel Presentation, “Financial Market Discipline in the Obama Era,” Newark, NJ, September 10, 2010 (with Steven Ramirez, Cheryl Wade, Kristin Johnson, Jena Martin Amerson and Audrey McFarlane)

Seton Hall University Law School, Third National People of Color Scholarship Conference, Invited Panelist, “Securing Tenure” Panel Presentation, “Junior Faculty Development Panel on ‘Getting Tenure, Success After Tenure,’” Newark, NJ, September 10, 2010 (with Camille Nelson, Matthew Fletcher and Angela Onwuachi-Willig)

The Law & Society Association 2010 Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, “Critical Mass: An Achievable Goal?” Panel Presentation, “The Impact of Diversity at Work and School: How It Is Defined, Embraced, and Resisted,” Chicago, IL, May 27, 2010 (with Angela Onwuachi-Willig, Deirdre Bowen, Alex Tsesis and Victoria Plaut)

The Law & Society Association 2010 Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, “Critical Race Theory and the Hip Hop Nation,” Panel Presentation “The Hip Hop Movement at the Intersection of Law and Society,” Chicago, IL, May 28, 2010 (with Kamille Wolff and D. Aaron Lacy)

University of Buffalo Law School, Invited Panelist, “Goldman Sachs and American Capitalism,” Panel Presentation, “American Casino and Capitalism: A Love Story,” at the ClassCrits Conference, Rethinking Economics and Law After the Great Recession, Buffalo, NY, May 17, 2010 (with Lisa Pruitt)

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Post Racialism and the Financial Market Crisis,” Panel Presentation, “The Financial Crisis Remaining Challenges for Regulating Mortgage Lending,” at the Midwestern People of Color Scholarship Conference, Chicago, IL, April 16, 2010 (with Melinda Molina, Tracie Porter and Victoria Dawson)

John Marshall Law School, Invited Panelist, “Navigating the Law Professor Hiring Process, Panel Presentation, “Becoming a Law Professor: Tips for Practitioners of Color,” at the Midwestern People of Color Scholarship Conference, Chicago, IL, April 17, 2010 (with Dorothea Beane, Cynthia Ho, Rogelio Lasso and Linda Crane)

University of South Carolina, Invited Panelist, “Economic Justice,” Panel Presentation “Equality and Justice in the Obama Era,” at the Southeast/Southwest People of Color Scholarship Conference, Columbia, SC, March 27, 2010 (with Timothy Canova, Cheryl Wade, Len Baynes and Mary Dolores Guerra)

Panelist (continued)

Brown University, Invited Panelist, “Thug Life: Hip Hop’s Curious Relationship with Criminal Justice,” Panel Presentation “Hip Hop and the Law” at 13th Annual Association for the Study of Law, Culture and the Humanities Conference, Providence, RI, March 19, 2010 (with Kamille Wolff, D. Aaron Lacy and Akilah Folami)

St. John’s University School of Law, Invited Panelist, “The Economic Collapse: Big Business Issues and Reform,” at The Fall of the Economy: How New York Can Rise to the Challenge Symposium, St. John’s Journal of Civil Rights and Economic Justice, New York City, NY, March 5, 2010 (with Jill Barclift, Christian Johnson, Susan Stabile and Len Baynes)

University of Iowa College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Post Racialism?” Panel Presentation “Discriminatory Lending in a Bear Market: Who Gets Money and Why?” at Race, Gender and Class at a Crossroads: A Survey of Their Intersections in Employment, Economics and the Law, Journal of Gender, Race and Class Symposium, Iowa City, IA, February 26, 2010 (with Mildred Robinson, Enrique Carrasco and Cheryl Wade)

Widener Law School, Invited Panelist, “A Dark Cloud: Self-Governance and the Paradigm of Radical Trust in the Web 2.0 Forum,” Panel Presentation “Web 2.0 and Ethics,” at “Internet Expression in the 21st Century: Where Technology and the Law Collide,” Widener Law Journal Symposium, Harrisburg, PA, February 22, 2010 (with John Gedid, Justin Wineburgh and Anna Hemingway)

Southern University Law Center, Invited Panelist, “Thuggin’: The Transformative Potential of Hip Hop,” Panel Presentation “Minority Youth Culture in Law and Society,” at State of the Union: The Progress Report Symposium hosted by the Journal of Race, Gender and Poverty at Southern University, Baton Rouge, LA, February 19, 2010 (with Donald Tibbs, Tryon Woods and Todd J. Clark)

2010 AALS Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, “Socioeconomics and the Critical Schools,” Panel Presentation “Economic Recovery and the Obama Presidency,” Section on Socio-economics, New Orleans, LA, January 7, 2010 (with Tayyab Mahmud and Robert Ashford)

University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Careers in Entertainment and Media Law,” Jackie Chiles Law Society, Salt Lake City, UT, November 23, 2009 (with Patrick Markey and Randy Dwyer)

Franklin College, Switzerland, Invited Panelist, “Thug Life: Hip Hop’s Curious Relationship With Criminal Justice,” Panel Presentation “Pop Culture and the Law,” Intersections of Law and Culture Conference 2009, Lugano, Switzerland, October 4, 2009 (with Akilah Folami and David Oppenheimer)

American University Washington College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Post-Racialism and the Financial Market Crisis,” Panel Presentation “Diversity, Corporate and Financial Law, and the Subprime Debacle,” LatCrit XIV Conference, Washington, D.C., October 2, 2009 (with Steven Ramirez, Regina Burch and Paul Brietzke)

Panelist (continued)

American University Washington College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Thug Life: Hip Hop’s Tricky Impact on Criminal Punishment and Corporate Exploitation,” Panel Presentation “The Hip Hop Movement at the Intersection of Race, Class and Culture: Hip Hop Music’s Effect on Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness,” LatCrit XIV Conference, Washington, D.C., October 2, 2009 (with Akilah Folami, D. Aaron Lacy and Kamille Wolff)

University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Ain’t No Glory In Pain: How Careless United States Deregulation and the Commodities Futures Modernization Act Contributed to the Global Meltdown,” The Financial Crisis: Regulatory and Corporate Governance Critiques and Reforms Symposium, Salt Lake City, UT, September 25, 2009 (with Jena Martin-Amerson, Timothy Canova, Joseph Grant and Christian Johnson)

Washburn University, Invited Panelist, “Post Racialism, The Financial Market Crisis and Affirmative Action,” Affirmative Action: Requiem or Renaissance Symposium, Topeka, KS, September 23, 2009 (with Phillip Grant, Jr. and Effie Swanson)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Invited Panelist, “Writing for Tenure,” Palm Beach, FL, August 5, 2009 (with Cynthia Nance, Nancy Rapoport, Mitchell Crusto, Corinna Lain and Adam MacLeod)

University of Iowa College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Post Racialism, The Financial Market Crisis and Affirmative Action,” Midwestern People of Color Scholarship Conference, Iowa City, IA, May 8, 2009 (with Regina Burch, Steven Ramirez and Cheryl Wade)

University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Hip Hop Culture and Alternative Theories of Justice,” Conceptualizing Substantive Justice Conference, Denver, CO, April 18, 2009, (with King Downing and Elizabeth Glazer)

University of Iowa College of Law, Invited Panelist, Critical Race Theory 20, “CRT and Interdisciplinarity,” CRT 20: Honoring Our Past, Charting Our Future, Iowa City, IA, April 4, 2009 (with Kaaryn Gustafson, Max Leung, Jean Stefancic and Vershawn Young)

Phoenix School of Law, Invited Panelist, “Thug Life: Hip Hop’s Tricky Impact on Criminal Imprisonment and Corporate Exploitation,” Southeast/Southwest People of Color Scholarship Conference, Phoenix, AZ, March 28, 2009 (with Kamille Wolff, Aaron Lacy and Todd J. Clark)

West Virginia University College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Arrested Development: The Almighty Pursuit of Street Cred,” Entertainment Law Symposium: The Evolution of Street Knowledge: Hip Hop’s Influence on Law and Culture, Morgantown, WV, February 13, 2009 (with Reginald Robinson, D. Aaron Lacy and Atiba Ellis)

2009 AALS Annual Meeting, Invited Panelist, Hot Topics Panel: “What’s Race Got To Do With Post Racialism,” Panel Presentation “Post Racialism and the Financial Market Crisis,” San Diego, CA, January 9, 2009 (with Charles Ogletree, Cheryl Harris, Devon Carbado, Laura Gómez, Deirdre Bowen and Janai Nelson)

Panelist (continued)

Seattle University School of Law, Invited Participant, “Emerging Political Economies of Power and Resistance,” LatCrit XIII Conference, Seattle, WA, October 4, 2008 (with Steven Ramirez, Lisa LaPlante and Miguel Rábago Dorbecker)

West Virginia University College of Law, Panelist, “Understanding the Financial Market Crisis,” Forum, Morgantown, WV, October 1, 2008 (with Michael Risch and George Selgin)

West Virginia University College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Re-examining the Place of Race in Sports,” Forum, Morgantown, WV, September 11, 2008 (with John Carlos and Timothy Davis)

West Virginia University College of Law, Invited Panelist, “False/Positives: The Current State of Performance Enhancing Drugs in Sports,” Forum, Morgantown, WV, April 16, 2008 (with Larry Silverman and Jay Reisinger)

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law; Invited Panelist, “The Cochran Impact on African American Head Coaches in the National Football League,” Johnnie Cochran Symposium, Houston, TX, November 2, 2007 (with Walter Champion, Kamille Wolff and Patrick Thornton)

West Virginia University College of Law; Invited Panelist, “Where We Are and Where We Need to Go: Michael Vick, Megan Williams, and Domestic Violence in West Virginia,” Hate Crimes, Gender Violence and Community Responses: A Forum in Honor of Megan Williams, Morgantown, WV, October 22, 2007 (with Joyce McConnell and Judith Scully)

The National Sports Law Institute; Invited Panelist, “Global Sports Marketing and Legal Protection of Intellectual Property,” 2007 NSLI Fall Conference, The Increasing Globalization of Sports: Olympic, International and Comparative Law & Business Issues, Milwaukee, WI, September 28, 2007 (with Michael Mellis and Anne Wall)

West Virginia University College of Law; Invited Panelist, “Reversing Field: Erasing Racism in United States Sports Law,” Sports Law Symposium: Reversing Field: Examining Commercialization, Labor and Race in 21st Century Sports Law, Morgantown, WV, October 5, 2007 (with Sherri Burr, Anne Marie Lofaso, Dallas Branch and Andre Smith)

Marquette University Law School; Invited Panelist, “Teaching Race in Sports Law, Including the American Indian Mascot Debate,” Sports Law Scholarship and Teaching Colloquium, Milwaukee, WI, September 27, 2007 (with Alfred Mathewson, Bob Berry and Paul Anderson)

William Mitchell College of Law; Invited Panelist, “Opening Doors: Race and Education,” Conference of the Asian Pacific American Law Faculty, Minneapolis, MN, April 27, 2007 (with Eboni Nelson and Kazoua Kong-Thao)

Florida A&M University School of Law; Invited Panelist; “The Bell Curve Continuum – Responding to Recent Attacks on Affirmative Action,” Southeast Southwest People of Color Scholarship Conference, Orlando, FL, March 17, 2007 (with Angela Onwuachi-Willig and L. Darnell Weedon)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Invited Panelist, “The New New Orleans: Racial Compositioning and 21st Century Bigotry: “Only the Best Residents Should Return,” on the panel “Sorting Through the Wreckage of Katrina: The Environmental, Legal and Social Issues of an (Un)Natural Disaster,” Palm Beach, FL, July 17, 2006 (with Mitchell Crusto, Doug Williams, Gregory Germain, Oliver Houck and Raymond Diamond)

Georgetown Law Center; Invited Panelist, “That Which Must Not Be Named: Discussing the Impact of Race and Law in the Classroom,” Critical Race Theory Symposium, Critical Race and Identity Project, Washington, D.C., April 22, 2006 (with Charles Lawrence, Pamela Bridgewater and Louis Seidman)

New York University School of Law; Invited Panelist, “Diversity in the Binary: Finding the New Center: What the Future of Diversity Jurisprudence Will Look Like Now that Justice O’Connor has left the Supreme Court and Chief Justice Roberts and Justice Alito Have Joined,” Coalition of Legal Recruiting (CoLR) and the New York University Review of Law and Social Change, New York City, NY, April 14, 2006 (with Peter Schuck and Olatunde Johnson)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Invited Panelist, “Hip Hop and the 21st Century Law Student,” Hilton Head, SC, July 2005, (with Michelle Alexandre and Joseph Grant)

West Virginia University College of Law, Invited Panelist, “Charles Hamilton Houston, Thurgood Marshall, Howard Law School and the Enduring Legacy of Brown,” West Virginia University 50 Year Celebration of Brown v. Board of Education, Morgantown, WV, September 8, 2005 (With Greg Hinton and Kitty Dooley)

Presenter/Commentator

New York University School of Law, 2023 Race Center Convening, Participant, representing the Center for Racial Justice and Criminal Justice Reform, sponsored by The Center on Race, Inequality, & the Law, New York, NY, February 23-24, 2023

The Aspen Institute Opportunity Youth Forum, Participant, representing the Center for Racial Justice and Criminal Justice Reform, Court Observation Arkansas Project (COAR) funded through the Walmart Foundation, San Francisco, CA, May 23-25, 2022

America Workforce and Justice Summit, Participant, representing the Center for Racial Justice and Criminal Justice Reform, Enhanced Community Policing Project (ECP) funded through Walmart, Inc., Atlanta GA, May 4-5, 2022

Georgia State University College of Law, LatCrit 2019 Biennial Conference, Discussant, “Brett Kavanaugh as United States Supreme Court Apartheid,” Roundtable Panel, “Power and Law: How We Construct and Deconstruct Power In, Outside and Under Law,” at The Dispossessed Majority: Resisting the Second Redemption in América Posfascista LatCrit Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, October 18, 2019 (with Atiba Ellis and Yvette Lindgren)

AALS Faculty Recruitment Conference, Invited Discussant, “Navigating the Law School Hiring Process,” Roundtable Panel Sponsored by the American Association of Law Schools Section on Minority Groups, Washington, D.C. October 4, 2019 (with Kevin Johnson, Benjamin Spencer, Loletta Darden, Roger Fairfax, Sean Scott and Bob Cottrol)

Presenter/Commentator (continued)

North Carolina Central University School of Law, Discussant, “Teaching Social Justice Through ‘Hip Hop & the Law,’” Panel Presentation, North Carolina Central Law Review Symposium, “Hip Hop & the Law,” Durham, NC, April 3, 2019 (with Todd Clark, Alexandria Johnson, Trey Murphy and Bria Riley)

University of Arkansas at Little Rock William H. Bowen School of Law, Moderator “Off the Border: Immigration Issues that Affect Arkansans,” Panel Discussion, UALR Diversity Week, Little Rock, AR, March 28, 2019 (with Ranko Oliver, Kelsey Lam, and Jennifer Verkamp-Ruthven)

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Presenter, “Reforming Policing,” Panel Discussion, “Police Use of Lethal Force,” Fort Lauderdale, FL, August 10, 2018 (with Mitch Crusto, Kevin Brown, Seth Stoughton, Ray Diamond, Jalila Jefferson-Bullock, Blanche Cook, Katherine Macfarlane, Kenya Smith, Robert McFarland, Lisa Grow Sun and Stephen Wilks)

Loyola Law School Chicago, Lunch Presenter, “The Corporate Death Penalty,” at ClassCrits IX, Theme “The New Corporatocracy and Election 2016,” Chicago, IL, October 22, 2016 (With Mary Kreiner Ramirez and Steven Ramirez)

John Marshall Law School, Guest Speaker, “How to Introduce Social Justice and Progressive Thinking Into the Classroom,” LatCrit-SALT Junior Faculty Development Workshop, Chicago, IL, September 29, 2016

Indiana University Purdue University Fort Wayne (IPFW), Guest Speaker, Cities United Forum: Black Youth and Law Enforcement, “Bridging Gaps and Breaking Down Barriers,” Fort Wayne, IN, April 19, 2016

Indiana Tech University, Guest Speaker, “Concussions and Brain Trauma: Is the Future of Contact Sports at Risk?” Fort Wayne, IN, April 11, 2016

Zonta International, Guest Speaker, “Gender Equity in the 21st Century: Progress and Pain,” Fort Wayne, IN, March 24, 2016

University of Saint Francis, Guest Lecturer, “An Introduction to Sports Law,” Fort Wayne, IN, November 5, 2015

Columbia University, Faculty Participant in Law for Black Lives Matter, “How Law Schools Can Impact the Black Lives Matter Movement,” New York City, NY, July 31, 2015

Indiana Tech Law School, Constitution Day Celebration, “Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Civil Rights Act – Introduction,” Fort Wayne, IN, September 17, 2014

West Virginia University College of Law, Commentator, “The Business of Human Rights: Moving Forward, Looking Back,” Morgantown, WV, September 24, 2013

Rossdale Continuing Legal Education (CLE) Program, Presenter, “Junior Seau, Head Trauma, and the NFL’s Concussion Problem,” National Symposium, Miami, FL, May 21, 2013

Presenter/Commentator (continued)

Indiana Continuing Judicial Education (CJE) Series, Presenter, “Understanding the Hip Hop Juror,” Indiana Tech Law School, Fort Wayne, IN, November 16, 2012

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Discussion Group Participant, “Predatory Lending and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau,” Group Presentation, “Current Issues in Consumer Financial Protection and Financial Regulation,” Amelia Island, FL, August 1, 2012

West Virginia University College of Law, Presenter, “The Political and Cultural Impact of the African American Athlete,” Featuring Dr. John Carlos, Morgantown, WV, March 31, 2011

Seton Hall University Law School, National People of Color Scholarship Conference, Moderator, “Junior Faculty Development, ‘Visiting Positions and Lateral Opportunities,’” Newark, NJ, September 11, 2010 (With Peggie Smith, Sean Seymore and Trina Jones)

Seton Hall University Law School, National People of Color Scholarship Conference, Commentator, “The Path to Excellence in Scholarship,” Student Writing Competition Honorees, by Rina Wang and Jason Rathod, Newark, NJ, September 11, 2010

The Law and Society Association 2010 Annual Meeting, Commentator, “Political and Racial: Linking Indian Racial Identity and Tribal Political Rights,” by Addie Rolnick, Chicago, IL, May 28, 2010

University of South Carolina, Commentator, “Stop Snitching Movement and Loyalty,” by Bret Asbury, Southeast/Southwest People of Color Scholarship Conference, Columbia, SC, March 27, 2010

University of Virginia, Presenter, “Post Racialism and the Financial Market Crisis,” Mid-Atlantic People of Color Conference, Charlottesville, VA, January 30, 2010

2010 AALS Annual Meeting, Loyola University New Orleans, Commentator, “Towards Microreparations,” by Kaimipono Wenger, J. Reuben Clark Law Society Meeting, New Orleans, LA, January 6, 2010

National Collegiate Athletic Association, Certification Equity Committee, West Virginia University Subcommittee on Gender Equity and Diversity Compliance, Spring Semester 2009

University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, Sports Law Club, Presenter “The Business of Sports Representation,” Salt Lake City, UT, November 16, 2009

University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, Jackie Chiles Law Society, Presenter “Thug Life: Hip Hop’s Curious Relationship With Criminal Justice,” Salt Lake City, UT, October 22, 2009

West Virginia University Institute of Religion, Speaker, “Law Professor, Lawyer and Advocate: The Law as a Career,” Morgantown, WV, May 12, 2009

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University of Iowa College of Law, Commentator, “Gramm-Leach-Bliley and the Financial Market Crisis,” by Joseph Grant, Midwest People of Color Scholarship Conference, Iowa City, IA, May 10, 2009

Temple University Beasley School of Law, Commentator, “Managing the Risk Managers: Regulating Credit Default Swaps,” by Kristin Johnson, Mid-Atlantic People of Color Scholarship Conference, Philadelphia, PA, January 24, 2009

Temple University Beasley School of Law, Commentator, “The Search for the Enlightened Witness: Gangsta Rap and the Real Truth of Black Mother-Son Love,” by Reginald Robinson, Mid-Atlantic People of Color Scholarship Conference, Philadelphia, PA, January 23, 2009

Seattle University School of Law, Commentator, “Brilliant Disguise: An Empirical Analysis of the Colorblind Ideal in a Post Affirmative Action World,” by Deirdre Bowen, LatCrit XIII Conference, Seattle, WA, October 3, 2008

University of Maryland School of Law, Paper Presenter, “Retrenchment: A Counter Narrative to the Fleeing Capital and U.S. Markets Demise Construct,” Mid-Atlantic People of Color Scholarship Conference, Baltimore, MD, January 26, 2008

West Virginia University College of Law, Presenter, “Rodriguez Law: Examining the Legal Case of WVU v. Richard Rodriguez,” Morgantown, WV, January 15, 2008 (With Thomas Cady and Vincent Cardi)

West Virginia University College of Law, Presenter “The Role of Alternative Dispute Resolution in Sports and Entertainment Law,” Alternative Dispute Resolution Society, Mediation Day, Morgantown, WV, March 14, 2007

University of New Mexico School of Law, Paper Presenter “Wicked: Green, Black and White in America,” Southeast Southwest People of Color Scholarship Conference, Santa Fe, NM, April 8, 2006

American University Washington College of Law, Paper Presenter “You Are Now About to Witness the Strength of Street Knowledge”: Hip Hop, Critical Race Theory and Desperate Responses,” Mid-Atlantic People of Color Conference, Washington, D.C., January 28, 2006

Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS), Paper Presenter, “Grutter v. Bollinger, Clarence Thomas, Affirmative Action and the Treachery of Originalism: ‘The Sun Don’t Shine Here in this Part of Town,’” Kiawah Island, SC, August 4, 2005

National Football League Players Association, Contract Advisor Annual Meeting, Participant, Los Angeles, CA, February 2005

University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law, Paper Presenter “Open Water”: Affirmative Action, Mismatch Theory and Swarming Predators: A Response to Richard Sander,” Mid-Atlantic People of Color Scholarship Conference, Louisville, KY, January 30, 2005

George Washington University Law School, Paper Presenter ““You are Now About to Witness the Strength of Street Knowledge’: Hip Hop and Critical Race Theory,” National People of Color Conference, Washington, D.C., October 7th-10th, 2004

Country Roads Scholars Tour, West Virginia University Colloquium, May 12th-14th, 2004

National Football League Players Association, Contract Advisor Annual Meeting, Participant, Indianapolis, IN, March 11-12, 2004

University of Baltimore School of Law, Paper Presenter, ““Ain’t No Glory In Pain’: How the 1994 Republican Revolution, the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and other 1990s Deregulation Collapsed the United States Capital Markets,” Mid-Atlantic People of Color Scholarship Conference, Baltimore, MD, January 30, 2004

VOLUNTEER and BOARD EXPERIENCE

Center for Racial Justice and Criminal Justice Reform (2020 to Present)
Co-founder & Co-director, William H. Bowen School of Law, Little Rock, AR

decARcerate, Board of Directors Member (2019 to Present)
Little Rock, AR

Abolish Private Prisons, Board of Directors Member (2018 to Present)
President of the Board (2019 to 2022)
Phoenix, AZ

Midwestern People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Inc., Board (2013 to Present)
Chicago, IL

Judge Joseph Hatchett Endowed Scholarship Committee, Board Member (1998 to Present)
Tallahassee, FL

Cities United and My Brother’s Keeper, Co-Chair Steering Committee (2015 to 2017)
Fort Wayne, IN

Boys & Girls Club, Board of Directors Member (2016 to 2017)
Fort Wayne, IN

United Negro College Fund (UNCF), Leadership Council Member (2014 to 2017)
Fort Wayne, IN

Smith Academy for Excellence (SAFE), Board of Trustees Member (2014 to 2017)
Fort Wayne, IN

Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Investments Committee, Board Member (2013 to 2017)
Fort Wayne, IN

Law School Admissions Council (LSAC), Committee on Diversity, Board (2011 to 2013)
Newtown, PA

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| West Virginia Smart529 Plan, Board of Trustees Charleston, WV (Appointed by Senator Joe Manchin) | (2009 to 2012) |
| Navu Foundation, Board Member Apia, Samoa | (2007 to 2009) |
| Shortfuse Recordz, Board Member, Columbus, OH | (2007 to 2011) |
| Board Member, The Big John Manumaleuna Foundation, Las Vegas, NV | (2001 to 2010) |
| Chicago Inner-City Youth Mentoring Program, Chicago, IL | (1999 to 2008) |
| Foster Care Citizen Review Board, Salt Lake City, UT | (1997 to 1998) |
| AIDSWALK 1996 Candlelight Vigil, Washington, D.C. | (1996) |
| N.A.A.C.P., Legal Redress Committee, Las Vegas, NV | (1996) |
| Heritage School for At Risk Youth, Provo, UT | (1994) |
| Rebuild L.A., Los Angeles, CA | (1992) |
| Utah Academy of the Performing Arts, Provo, UT | (1991 to 1993) |
| Pro Surf and Volleyball Championships, Huntington Beach, CA | (Summers 1989-1992) |

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Motion Pictures

Associate Producer, Motion Picture, “Angel’s Perch,” Scrapy Cat Productions, Released June 23, 2013, with Producer Kimberly Dilts; Writer J.T. Arbogast; Associate Producer Kim Matras, and Executive Producer Ally Walker

Appearance, Documentary Film, “Freeway: Crack in the System,” Released February 7, 2015, Discussion of the War on Drugs and how the drug war became a new system of subordinating African American and Latino men by imprisoning them as “criminals” for long periods of time effectively removing them from society as voters, workers, and family members, with Producers Royal Studios and Blowback Productions, and Director Marc Levin

Appearance, Documentary Film, “Breaking the Pipeline,” Released May 23, 2016, Discussion of the School to Prison Pipeline, including root causes, perverse incentives and the efforts of activists in South Bend to disrupt and end the pipeline, with Director/Producer Robyn Clark

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