

Alan Romero

Employment

University of Wyoming College of Law

Senior Associate Dean & William T. Schwartz Distinguished Professor of Law, 2025-present

Director, Rural Law Center, 2009-present

Professor of Law, 2007-present

Carl M. Williams Professor of Law and Social Responsibility, 2017-2022

Associate Professor of Law, 2005-2007

Assistant Professor of Law, 2003-2005

Teach primarily property, land use law, real estate finance, and agricultural law.

University of North Dakota School of Law

Assistant Professor of Law, 2000-2003

Taught property, land use planning, real estate transactions, legislation, natural resources, local government law, and agricultural law.

University of Idaho College of Law

Visiting Associate Professor of Law, 1999-2000

Taught property, introduction to law and procedure, and real estate finance.

University of North Dakota School of Law

Visiting Assistant Professor of Law, 1998-1999

Holme Roberts & Owen LLP, Salt Lake City, Utah

Associate, 1994-1995, 1996-1998

Practiced with commercial law group and commercial litigation group. Worked on cases and projects involving commercial and residential property transactions, leases, and other public and private property issues; securities fraud; insurance coverage of environmental cleanup; and other legal areas.

University of Chicago Law School

Bigelow Fellow and Lecturer in Law, 1995-1996

Taught first-year legal writing course and moot court exercise.

Judge Stephen H. Anderson, Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals

Law Clerk, 1993-1994

Education

Harvard Law School

J.D. cum laude, 1993

President, *Harvard Journal on Legislation*

Director, Harvard Legislative Research Bureau

Brigham Young University

B.A. summa cum laude, English and Political Science, 1990

Publications

Law in Place: Reflections on Rural and Urban Legal Paradigms 50 FORDHAM URB. L. J. 1 (2023) (with Nestor M. Davidson).

Efforts to Encourage and Support Rural Law Practice in Wyoming, 22 WYO. L. REV. 155 (2022).

Assessing and Addressing the Need for Rural Lawyers in Wyoming, WYO. LAW., Oct. 2021, at 26.

Identifying Rural Roads, 54 IND. L. REV. 151 (2021).

Extraterritorial Land Use Regulation and Bridging the Urban-Rural Divide, 87 UMKC L. REV. 867 (2019).

Why Is the Magnitude of a Regulation Relevant to Determining Whether It Takes Property? 30 J. LAND USE & ENVTL. L. 271 (2015).

PROPERTY LAW FOR DUMMIES (John Wiley & Sons 2013).

Legal Issues From a Rural Perspective: The University of Wyoming Rural Law Center, WYO. LAW. Oct. 2012, at 22.

Local Regulation of Mineral Development in Wyoming, 10 WYO. L. REV. 463 (2010).

Rural Property Law, 112 W. VA. L. REV. 765 (2010).

Ends and Means in Takings Law after Lingle v. Chevron, 23 J. LAND USE & ENVTL. L. 333 (2008), *reprinted in* 2009 ZONING AND PLANNING LAW HANDBOOK 129 (Patricia E. Salkin ed., 2009).

Reducing Just Compensation for Anticipated Condemnations, 21 J. LAND USE & ENVTL. L. 153 (2006), *reprinted in* 2007 ZONING AND PLANNING LAW HANDBOOK 619 (Patricia E. Salkin ed., 2007).

Takings by Floodwaters, 76 N.D. L. REV. 785 (2000).

Two Constitutional Theories for Invalidating Extortionate Exactions, 78 NEB. L. REV. 348 (1999).

Note, Interpretive Directions in Statutes, 31 HARV. J. ON LEGIS. 211 (1994).

Recent Development, *Including Legal Services in State Sales Taxes*, 29 HARV. J. ON LEGIS. 280 (1992).

Presentations

Assessing and Addressing the Need for Legal Services in Rural Wyoming, Ewing T. Kerr American Inn of Court, Cheyenne, WY, March 13, 2025.

Financial Incentive Programs & Legislative Approaches in Wyoming, National Center for State Courts 2024 Legal Deserts Summit, May 21, 2024.

Attracting and Supporting Rural Lawyers in Wyoming, University of South Dakota Law Review Symposium, Sept. 21, 2023.

Law in Place: On Urban and Rural Paradigms in Legal Scholarship and Law, Rural Legal Scholars Workshop, Oct. 30, 2020.

Lawyers in Rural Wyoming, 2020 Small, Solo & Rural Law Forum, University of Wyoming College of Law, Oct. 16, 2020.

Wyoming Landlord-Tenant Law, live stream, May 2, 2020.

Bridging the Urban Versus Rural Divide in Extraterritorial Land Use Regulation, Texas A&M University School of Law Real Property Law Roundtable, Feb. 2, 2018.

Rural Lawyers in the West, Rural West Conference, Stanford University Bill Lane Center for the American West, March 6, 2015.

Water Rights: How Will Agriculture Fare in the Coming Decades? Annual Nutrition Symposium, American Feed Industry Association, Las Vegas, NV, March 11, 2014.

Property Rights, Farm Bureau Federation annual meeting, Laramie, WY, November 15, 2012.

City and County Land Use Regulation of the Dominant Estate, State of the Dominant Estate, University of Wyoming College of Law, November 6, 2009.

Rural Property Law, part of panel presentation, "Land, Water, Poverty, and Community at the Rural-Urban Interface," Law and Society Association 2009 Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, May 30, 2009.

Regulatory Takings, Albany County Citizens' Advisory Committee, April 10, 2007.

What Everyone Should Know About Zoning, 2006 Consumer Issues Conference, University of Wyoming, September 28, 2006.

The Legal Establishment of County Roads, Douglas, WY, February 28, 2006; Riverton, WY, March 1, 2006; Rock Springs, WY, March 2, 2006.

Kelo v. City of New London, University of Wyoming College of Law, November 12, 2005.