Dear students, alumni and friends:

The Environmental Law Program had another terrific year due in large part to your enthusiastic support. This Year in Review describes the program’s activities and accomplishments in 2015. It also includes a Directory with updated information on what more than 170 Program alumni are doing now to help meet today’s legal and environmental challenges. This Alumni Directory provides an impressive snapshot of the variety and breadth of the outstanding work being done by graduates of the program.

The Environmental Law Program continues to expand its efforts to prepare today’s students to meet the environmental challenges of the future. During 2015 our students excelled not only in the classroom, but also around the world. They presented papers at an international conference in Indonesia, worked on a multidisciplinary team to improve access to water resources in the Middle East, and argued cases on behalf of citizen groups in the courts of Maryland.

Our faculty members are recognized as leaders in the field and they continue to be at the forefront of addressing cutting-edge environmental issues. We are particularly grateful for the efforts of our experienced adjunct faculty members who continue to bring their significant, real-world experiences into our classrooms.

Maryland’s Environmental Law Program is supported by generous financial contributions from our alumni and friends. We also greatly value the many non-financial contributions made by those who give their time and attention to our students through mentoring and externship supervision.

We are deeply grateful for all of the professional, personal and financial contributions our alumni and friends provide. These have been crucial in making our Environmental Law Program such a unique, accomplished and wonderful family. We look forward to working with you in 2016 and beyond. In 2017 we hope many of you will help us celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Program.

Robert V. Percival
Robert F. Stanton Professor of Law and
Director, Environmental Law Program
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INTO THE DESERT TO FIND WATER

Led by: Robert Percival, Robert F. Stanton Professor of Law/Director of Environmental Law Program and Julie Weisman, JD, Carter, Ledyard, Milburn LLP

This project involved the interdisciplinary collaboration among four of the University of Maryland’s professional schools: the Francis King Carey School of Law, the University of Maryland School of Nursing, the University of Maryland School of Dentistry and the Robert H. Smith School of Business. In conjunction with the Arava Institute for Environmental Studies (“AIES”), our partner on the ground, this project brought a team of students to the Region to investigate the efficacy of reusing greywater for smallholder agricultural development in off-grid communities in the Region.

The students visited several water treatment and management sites in Israel, the Palestinian Territories, and Jordan. After visiting Aquaba, Jordan, they stayed overnight in tents with a Bedouin community in the desert at Wadi Rum. The students produced a report on “Greywater Feasibility in the West Bank: A Proposal to Commercialize Greywater Treatment Systems with Legal and Health Considerations.”

Mona Qureshi, who is a 2L wrote about her experience on the trip:

“I’ve been searching for a niche area where I can initiate the most change on an international and environmental scale through the law, and I think I have found my niche area! Water is something I have always been passionate about since studying it in college through the lenses of sustainability and geopolitical stability, but this trip has opened my eyes to all of the other issues water scarcity contributes to. I can’t wait to hit the ground running and find an organization in the States that advocates for sound water policies.”
A NEW ALLIANCE

Pace Law School and the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law are proud to announce the creation of a new partnership between their nationally ranked environmental law programs.

Dean David Yassky, of Pace, and Dean Donald Tobin, of Maryland, signed the memorandum of understanding that commences the Maryland-Pace Environmental Law Alliance. This first of its kind collaboration between environmental law programs will draw on each program’s strengths in the field to train the next generation of environmental lawyers in a new era of legal education and environmental challenges.

In its first phase, the Alliance will allow Pace and Maryland to share environmental externship and experiential learning opportunities, engage in faculty and student exchanges and training programs, collaborate on global environmental law projects, and hold joint conferences, workshops and symposia. The schools began offering the semester-long student exchange program in the fall 2015 semester. Beyond this initial stage, the Alliance will look to create joint curricular and degree opportunities, teamwork between environmental law centers and clinics, and joint research projects and publications among other initiatives.

"This is an exciting opportunity for students and faculty at Maryland and Pace," says Professor Jason Czarnezki, Pace’s Gilbert and Sarah Kerlin Distinguished Professor of Environmental Law and Executive Director of Environmental Law Programs. "The Alliance brings together two top innovators in environmental legal education in a collaboration that spans the Mid-Atlantic Watershed." Professor Robert Percival, Maryland’s Robert F. Stanton Professor of Law and Environmental Law Program Director, remarked, “This will give students at both schools greater access to environmental externships and expertise in the D.C. and New York City metropolitan areas and even around the world in countries like China and Brazil.”

The two programs are currently developing a joint seminar on climate change issues which will be offered in the Spring of 2017. The joint seminar will not only offer lectures by both Pace and Maryland faculty, but also lectures from professors around the country that will be moderated by Maryland and Pace environmental law faculty. In addition, the schools' environmental law programs are also exploring joint projects that will create unique opportunities for students, enhance their professional development and leverage the increased resources provided by the Alliance of two nationally renowned programs.

Students and alumni who would like more information should contact Bill Piermattei, managing director of the Environmental Law Program, at wpiermattei@law.umaryland.edu
Since 2002, students in Professor Percival’s Environmental Law class have enjoyed an unusual assignment: to split up into small groups and make a short film about an environmental issue that concerns them. The purpose of the ungraded assignment is to make students think about how to communicate complicated regulatory policy issues to the public. With the rise of You Tube and other new media outlets, digital video-making has become a valuable tool for influencing public opinion.

A total of 13 students in the Fall 2014 Environmental Law class made three environmental law films. As in past years the films demonstrated their enormous creativity. The films addressed a wide variety of topics ranging from highlighting the FERC approved natural gas line extension through Baltimore County to the controversy over the recent expansion of the Cove Point LNG Facility. On April 1st, 2015, the coveted “Golden Tree” awards were presented to the best films in ten categories as voted by an independent panel of judges (Prof. Taunya Banks, John Brosnan, Dominic Dachille, and Prof. Kathleen Hoke.)

The 2015 Golden Tree awards winners were:

- **Best Picture** “The Gas and the Furious” by Bethany Henneman, Taylor Kasky, Laura Lutkefedder, Kat O’Konski and Andrea Olsen
- **Best Acting**: “Maryland Solar Energy” by Julia Carbonetti, Erik Pramschufer, and Richard Starr
- **Best Animation/Special Effects**: “Maryland Solar Energy” by Julia Carbonetti, Erik Pramschufer, and Richard Starr
- **Best Sound**: “The Gas and the Furious” by Bethany Henneman, Taylor Kasky, Laura Lutkefedder, Kat O’Konski and Andrea Olsen
- **Most Educational Film**: “The Gas and the Furious” by Bethany Henneman, Taylor Kasky, Laura Lutkefedder, Kat O’Konski and Andrea Olsen
- **Best Interviews**: “The Gas and the Furious” by Bethany Henneman, Taylor Kasky, Laura Lutkefedder, Kat O’Konski and Andrea Olsen
- **Best Cinematography**: “Cove Point LNG” by Salomee Briggs, Sean Dobbs, Marina Ivanovskaya and Jaime Jacobson
- **Best Use of Humor**: “The Gas and the Furious” by Bethany Henneman, Taylor Kasky, Laura Lutkefedder, Kat O’Konski and Andrea Olsen
- **Best Music**: “Cove Point LNG” by Salomee Briggs, Sean Dobbs, Marina Ivanovskaya and Jaime Jacobson
- **This year’s Special Judges Award for “Cutest Child Actor”** was awarded to Maryland Solar Energy by Julia Carbonetti, Erik Pramschufer, and Richard Starr

A special thanks to all of our judges!
Joel Fedder ’58, a passionate environmentalist, philanthropist and friend of Maryland Carey Law’s Environmental Law Program, died Saturday, April 18, after a long illness. Fedder was a member of the law school’s Board of Visitors and of counsel to the Baltimore firm Fedder and Garten, where he practiced tax law and real estate law for 27 years before ultimately retiring to Florida.

A week-long trip with the Sierra Club to the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) in Alaska proved to be transformative for Fedder: He returned and immersed himself in learning more about ANWR’s Wildlife, Native American population and climate change, an issue about which he frequently lectured. His lecture about that trip, given to Maryland Carey Law students, sparked a partnership that will benefit future generations of environmental law students.

Fedder and his wife, Ellen, established the Fedder Environmental Scholars Endowment at Maryland Carey Law. Their goal for the Endowment was to help train the next generation of environmental lawyers “to fight the good fight.” The Endowment supports annual lectures by prominent environmental scholars, and provides opportunities for law students to participate in environmental law conferences across the globe.

“I wanted to help attract the kind of people to the school who are keen to take advantage of those opportunities and make a difference. I also felt I owed something back to the law school. The school enabled me to build my career in law,” Fedder said when he initially made his gift.

“The entire Maryland Carey law community is saddened by the loss of a member of our family” said Dean Donald Tobin of Maryland Carey Law. “Joel has been steadfast in his support of the law school and its environmental law program. We will miss his energy, intelligence, passion, and the difference he made in our community, especially in the lives of our students. We have lost a great man and a great friend. He will be sorely missed.”

In 2014, the Fedders increased their support of the Environmental Law Program by pledging $1 million to endow the Fedder Lecture and the Fedder Scholars Program, and to support senior attorneys in the law school’s Environmental Law Clinic.

“Joel’s work as an advocate for the environment and our law school is inspiring. His support of the Environmental Law Program is an honor,” said Robert Percival, Robert F. Stanton Professor of Law and director of the Environmental Law Program.

Understanding the long-term importance of addressing climate change, the Fedders sought to inspire, support and make a difference in the career paths of Maryland Carey Law students committed to working on environmental issues.

As Joel Fedder put it, “success is best when shared.”

“We are truly thankful that Joel shared his success, and passion for the environment, with our law school and our students,” said Dean Tobin.
Maryland Carey Law's Environmental Law Program was well represented at the 13th Annual Colloquium of the IUCN Academy of Environmental Law, in Jakarta, Indonesia, September 7-12. Professor and Program Director Robert Percival, two Maryland Carey Law students and a recent graduate, were among 200 environmental law scholars from nearly 50 countries making presentations at the event.

The theme of this year's colloquium was "Forest and Marine Biodiversity." In his presentation on "The Intellectual Heritage of George Perkins Marsh: Forest Preservation and the Roots of Global Environmental Law," Percival explored the impact of Marsh's 1864 book "The Earth as Modified by Human Action," which helped launch a global movement to establish protected areas.

- Second-year student Renee Lani examined how the Lacey Act has been used to discourage importation of illegally harvested timber.
- 3L Maryann Hong discussed the impact of free trade agreements on global tobacco control efforts.
- Taylor Kasky '15 considered the impact of trade liberalization on global agriculture and food security in her presentation.

Lani, Hong, and Kasky were able to participate in the Colloquium as Fedder Scholars through the generosity of the Fedder Environmental Fund. At a plenary session of the Colloquium on September 9, Percival presented a video tribute honoring the late Joel D. Fedder '58, who passed away in April.

Rick Beckel, a 2015 graduate of Macalester College who served as a Global Environmental Justice Fellow at the law school's Environmental Law Program this summer, also made a presentation in which he analyzed how the concept of ecosystem services can be used to enhance efforts to preserve biodiversity.

The Colloquium featured such speakers as former International Court of Justice Judge Christopher Weeramantry, former Philippine Supreme Court Chief Justice Hilario Davide, Jr. and current Brazilian Supreme Court Justice Antonio Benjamin.
18th Annual Conference on Litigating Takings Challenges to Land Use and Environmental Regulation
September 25, 2015

Bringing together a diverse group of leading scholars and experienced practitioners to discuss issues related to land use, environmental rules, and other forms of economic regulation, the “Takings Conference” changes location each year, and it was held at Maryland to recognize the contributions of Professor Robert Percival and Professor Michael Pappas to the field.

Professor Percival delivered the conference's keynote address entitled “Ways Not to Think About Regulatory Takings: Professor Tribe and Why Takings Issues Will Outlive Plastic Trees.” Professor Pappas discussed his recent research into takings claims based on government failure to regulate.

The conference also addressed the practical implications of the U.S. Supreme Court’s recent takings decisions, pending takings issues before the Maryland Court of Appeals, and the significance of the Supreme Court’s controversial decision in Kelo v. City of New London on its 10th anniversary. Panels highlighted potential takings issues arising from government efforts to deal with flooding and other disasters as well as local government access to insurance against takings claims.

Selected proceedings will be published in the Maryland Law Review.

Agriculture and Environmental Law Conference
November 20, 2015

Professor Mike Pappas moderated this conference that featured Maryland Agriculture Secretary Joseph Bartenfelder and Maryland Department of the Environment Secretary Ben Grumbles in Annapolis. Held by the University of Maryland Agriculture Law Education Initiative (ALEI), an endeavor of the University of Maryland: MPowering the State, the conference drew more than 100 attorneys, farmers, educators, and state officials, including State Sen. Adelaide C. Eckardt of District 37, representing Caroline, Dorchester, Talbot, and Wicomico counties.

Maryland Agriculture Secretary Joseph Bartenfelder and Environment Secretary Ben Grumbles addressed the 2015 Agriculture and Environmental Law Conference, each discussing some of the most pressing issues concerning farmers and conservationists. In addition to outlining the state of agriculture in Maryland, Bartenfelder briefed attendees on implementation of the Phosphorus Management Tool (PMT).

Bartenfelder gave an inside perspective to the work last spring to develop a PMT that would be considered acceptable to a wide group of stakeholders as well as to Gov. Larry Hogan, who differed with his predecessor’s approach. Bartenfelder described the resulting regulations as “the best proposal and the most progressive proposal, not only for the agriculture community but for the environmental community in this state.”

MDE Secretary Grumbles outlined benefits that might be derived by adoption of nutrient credit trading. “I’m a champion of trading done right,” Grumbles said, going on to explore 10 reasons to pursue nutrient credits. “The status quo is fatal,” Grumbles declared. “At the federal level and in states around the country, there’s enthusiasm about using new tools to make progress.”

A common theme of speakers throughout the daylong conference was how to best balance production of crops, livestock, and poultry with the need to protect the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries from excessive nitrogen and phosphorus pollution. Subjects at the conference ranged from aquaculture to anaerobic digestion. UM Regional Extension Specialist Donald Webster spoke on aquaculture leasing, and Anthony Gorski, JD, a partner with Rich & Henderson, P.C. of Annapolis and Easton, Md., addressed legal and agricultural “hot topics.”
Ward Kershaw Symposium and Fedder Lecture
November 20, 2015

The Environmental Law Program held the Ward Kershaw symposium followed by the 2015 Fedder lecture on November 20, 2015. Both focused on the inclusion of environmental provisions in constitutions. Students (Melissa Sager, Hannah Ernstberger, Robin Cleland and Bryan Smith) from Prof. Percival’s Global Environmental Law Class prepared a report at the request of Rabbi Nina Beth Cardin and the Central Maryland Ecumenical Council addressing whether Maryland should adopt an environmental amendment to its state constitution. Students Robin Cleland and Bryan Smith presented the report at the Ward Kershaw Symposium, a survey of all 50 states (22 have constitutional amendments that address the environment) and countries from around the world that have addressed the environment in their constitutions.

The students’ presentations noted the different forms of environmental amendments, categorizing them as those giving “substantive rights” to citizens and those that provide policy directives. Despite widespread adoption of such amendments, courts have been reluctant to apply either type of amendment to direct government policy or provide a private action with one notable and recent exception: the Pennsylvania Supreme Court case, Robinson Township v. State of Pennsylvania. In Robinson, the Court, relying on an environmental amendment in the Pennsylvania Constitution Declaration of Rights §27, struck down a state law that stripped local governments of the right to limit hydraulic fracturing (fracking) for oil and gas in their communities. The Court found that the state law was unconstitutional in that it violated §27.

The student presentations concluded that adopting an environmental constitutional provision can be (but is not necessarily) helpful in directly protecting the environment, but can also be helpful indirectly through supporting more protective interpretations of environmental regulations and statutes and providing an authoritative moral foundation for environmental protection efforts.

After the student presentations, James R. May, Distinguished Professor of Law at Widener University Delaware Law School and author of Global Environmental Constitutionalism gave the 2015 Fedder Lecture on “Constitutions and the Environment.” Prof. May agreed with the students’ findings, but asserted that inclusion of environmental amendments in constitutions has been a growing trend over the past 40 years and that trend supports environmental protection in many ways, including elevating the importance of environmental protection in societies which adopt these amendments. Prof. May also noted that, due to the slowly developing nature of constitutional jurisprudence, the effect of these recently adopted environmental amendments are slowly developing as well. Prof. May concluded that Pennsylvania’s recent Robinson Township case could be a harbinger of the growing importance of environmental constitutional amendments’ role in protecting the environment.

MAKING THE CASE

The Clinic represented Potomac Riverkeeper Network before the Allegheny County Circuit Court on a petition for judicial review of a Clean Water Act discharge permit that the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) issued to the Upper Potomac River Commission (UPRC). Student attorneys Julia Carbonetti and John Gustafson (pictured in front of the Allegheny court house) argued that UPRC’s permit should be remanded to MDE for consideration of important issues that arose after the public comment period.

“As someone who never anticipated being a litigator, this clinic experience taught me that pushing yourself outside of your comfort zone can be extremely beneficial,” said Carbonetti. Gustafson added, “More so than any other law school experience, preparing for and arguing this case has left me feeling prepared to deal with the practice of law.”
Environmental Justice in Maryland

In late September, the Environmental Law Clinic released a report on Environmental Justice in Maryland. Communities of color and low-income communities in the United States often bear a disproportionate burden from environmental and public health hazards. Clinic students identified many examples of environmental justice issues and concerns in Maryland by reviewing published studies and reports, conducting interviews, and attending community meetings. The Clinic's research also revealed that the state has done little to address environmental disparities over the past 30 years. The report and its recommendations build on the Clinic's work providing direct representation to communities impacted by environmental injustice by calling for action to address the systemic problems that allow those injustices to persist.

On December 17, 2015, Clinic Staff Attorney Matthew Peters appeared on the Marc Steiner Show to discuss the Clinic's Maryland Environmental Justice Report and, more broadly, what needs to be done in Maryland to address Environmental Justice concerns.

Hilary Jacobs, '15, Receives Community Scholar Prize

At this year’s graduation awards ceremony, Hilary Jacobs '15, received the Community Scholar Prize for providing outstanding assistance to Morrell Park, a working class community in southwest Baltimore. Residents of Morrell Park were concerned about an intermodal rail transfer facility proposed by CSX and the Maryland Department of Transportation to be located in their neighborhood. Community leaders came to the Environmental Law Clinic and the Community Law Center for assistance after CSX repeatedly failed to respond to their questions and concerns. As a student attorney in the Clinic during the 2013-2014 academic year, Jacobs worked diligently to obtain information about the project and its potential impacts, and to help community leaders communicate their concerns to CSX and government officials. Jacob's tireless efforts to ensure that the residents of Morrell Park were informed about the project and had the opportunity to voice their concerns were critical to protecting the community’s environment, health, and quality of life.

Chesapeake Watershed Forum

The Environmental Law Clinic co-presented a workshop at the Chesapeake Watershed Forum on advocating for effective Clean Water Act discharge permits in Shepherdstown, WV. Restoring the Chesapeake Bay requires strong, enforceable permits that minimize the discharge of pollutants into the Bay and its tributaries. The workshop taught participants how to obtain public information on permitted facilities, evaluate discharge permits and compliance documents, and communicate effectively with regulatory agencies throughout the permitting process. The workshop was a continuation of the Clinic's efforts to ensure that environmental advocates in the Chesapeake Bay region are well-equipped to address potential threats to their waterways and communities.
Every year, the Natural Resources Law Institute (NRLI) at Lewis & Clark Law School honors a leading environmental law professor as a Distinguished Visitor. This year, NRLI selected Professor Rena Steinzor as the 28th Distinguished Visitor, citing Professor Steinzor’s prolific work as a professor, author and founder and past president of the Center for Progressive Reform. As the Distinguished Visitor, Prof. Steinzor spent three days at Lewis & Clark Law School attending classes and meeting with students and professors. She also delivered the lecture, “How White-Collar Criminal Enforcement Can Save the Environment.” Her summary of it appears below.

Recent events have exposed a double standard in our criminal justice system. On the one hand, the criminal justice system has incarcerated millions of people, disproportionately African American, for petty crimes, thereby ruining their and their families’ lives. On the other hand, it has largely ignored white-collar crime that adversely affects millions of people, their livelihoods and all too often ends in death; yet, no individual is punished for these corporate crimes. Put simply, there is little to deter corporate decision-makers from cutting corners on safety or cheating legal obligations to increase profits because no individual will be held accountable.

It is within the broad context of our criminal justice system as just described, that we must look at current challenges to enforcement of environmental laws. These challenges include substantial budget cuts at the federal and state levels, an ossified regulatory system that no longer functions properly (if at all), and extreme hostility among conservatives in Congress that saps dwindling EPA resources through endless testimony, review and re-review of EPA actions.

Inadequate enforcement of environmental laws has led to such events as the British Petroleum Deepwater Horizon disaster that killed 11 workers and caused billions in environmental damage; and the emerging Volkswagen emissions cheating scandal resulting in auto emissions 10 to 40 times higher than the legal limit contributing to serious air quality and public health problems.

To address these concerns—and prevent future disasters—I recommend criminal prosecution of corporate decision-makers whose illegal risk-taking behavior harms many and increases the risk of harm to many more. Such prosecution would be an effective deterrent to future reckless corporate conduct, change the risk calculation for corporate executives, and improve our justice system by addressing the injustice of the current double standard: applying the harshest punishment to the vulnerable, but letting the privileged escape accountability.
FACULTY ACTIVITIES

ROBERT PERCIVAL

Publications


Prof. Percival and then-Attorney General Eric Holder (right) at the swearing-in ceremony for John Cruden (left) as Assistant Attorney General for Environment & Natural Resources


Presentations

"Introduction to Environmental Law," Jiangsu High People’s Court Environmental Law Training Program, Office of China Affairs, University of Maryland College Park, College Park, Maryland, Dec. 10, 2015.


"Enforcement of Environmental Law," Environmental Protection Department of Sichuan Province, Office of China Affairs, University of Maryland-College Park, College Park, Maryland, November 3, 2015.
“Introduction to Environmental Law,” Environmental Protection Department of Sichuan Province, Heavy Metal Pollution Prevention and Supervision Program, Office of China Affairs, University of Maryland-College Park, College Park, Maryland, November 3, 2015.


“Should Maryland Adopt a Constitutional Amendment on the Rights of Nature”?, Awake and Arise: Congregations Restoring Creation Retreat, Central Maryland Ecumenical Council & Ecumenical Leaders Group of Maryland, St. Mary’s Seminary, Baltimore, Maryland, October 22, 2015.


“Ways Not to Think About Plastic Trees: Professor Tribe and Why Takings Issues Will Outlive Plastic Trees,” Keynote Address, 18th Annual Conference on Litigating Takings Challenges to Land Use and Environmental Regulations, University of Maryland Carey School of Law, Baltimore, Maryland, September 25, 2015.


“TSCA Reform and Global Chemical Regulation,” Conference on Chemical Regulation in China and the U.S., Shanghai Jiaotong University KoGuan School of Law, Shanghai, China, August 10, 2015.


RENA STEINZOR

Publications

Featured in the article “Steinzor on White Collar Case Studies” on CrimProfBlog. (December 2, 2015)

Co-authored the article “VW and GM scandals show why regulation matters” on thehill.com. (September 30, 2015)


“The Next Top Prosecutor and White Collar Crime” that appeared in the Huffington Post. (February 9, 2015)

Co-authored the article “GOP wants to wreck government, not govern” on thehill.com. (January 23, 2015)


Media

Interviewed for the article “Happy Jobs Day” on Politico. (December, 2015)
Interviewed for the segment “GM Did the Crime, Drivers Do the Time: Ralph Nader on Failure of U.S. to Prosecute Car Executives” on Democracy Now! (September, 2015)

Interviewed for the article “Lobbyists Bidding to Block Government Regulations Set Sights on Secretive White House Office” on RINF.com. (April, 2015)

Interviewed for the segment “New Book Exposes Root Causes of Industrial Catastrophes” that aired on The Environment In Focus Podcast on WYPR. February, 2015

MIKE PAPPAS

Publications


Presentations

A Right to Be Regulated, The 18th Annual Conference on Litigating Takings Challenges to Land Use and Environmental Regulations, September 2015

Extracting Distributed Fairness from Takings, University of Denver Sturm College of Law, March 2015

A Right to Be Regulated, Roundtable on Property Theory, Tulane University Law School, March 2015

The Cumulative, Distributive, and Individual: New Directions in Environmental Law, Symposium on Reconceptualizing the Future of Environmental Law, Pace Law School, March 2015

Extracting Distributive Fairness from Takings, University of North Carolina School of Law, February 2015

Defining Power Property Expectations, AALS Section on Natural Resources and Energy Law 2015 Program, January 2015

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Presentations

Panelist, National Association of Women Lawyers’ Litigation Breakfast program on “Overcoming Implicit Gender Bias in Litigation.” Baltimore, MD, October 2015
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The Honorable Lorraine Fraser (1993)
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