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EDUCATION:

- J.D. Harvard Law School, June, 1982.
- Ph.D. University of Massachusetts, Amherst,
Department of Linguistics, September, 1978.
- B.A. Brandeis University, June, 1974. Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Honors in English, Honors in Linguistics.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

1996- Brooklyn Law School, Don Forchelli Professor of Law (2004-), Director of Graduate Education (2012-), Associate Dean for Academic Affairs (2006-10), Director, Center for the Study of Law, Language and Cognition (2002-). Professor (2000-), Associate Professor (1996-2000). Courses include Legislation and Statutory Interpretation, Comparative Legislation, Torts, Contracts, Remedies, Law, Language and Cognition, Insurance Law, and the Law Firm.

Visits and Honors

- 2016 Yale Law School, Sidley Austin-Robert D. McLean Visiting Professor of Law (spring semester).
- 2015 Faculty. Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute, University of Chicago (course on Language and Law).
- 2014 University of Greifswald (Germany). Visiting Professor, Faculty of Law. Intensive course on comparative statutory interpretation (June).
- 2013 Princeton University, Visiting Professor in the Council of the Humanities (fall semester).
- 2012 University of Lucerne Faculty of Law, Visiting Professor. Intensive course on Statutory Interpretation: Comparative Perspectives.

- 2010 Princeton University, Visiting Professor and Fellow in the Department of Psychology, Visiting Professor in the Council of the Humanities (fall semester).
- 2010 Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Spain, member of faculty for masters program in forensic linguistics.
- 2009 Wuhan Institute of Technology, China, Honorary Professor.
- 2008 University of Southern California, Gould School of Law, Distinguished Visitor (October 2008).
- 2006 Yale University, Visiting Professor of Law (spring semester). Legislation and Statutory Interpretation, and seminar on language and law.
- 2003 Princeton University, Visiting Fellow in the Department of Psychology (spring semester).
- 2002 Princeton University, Visiting Professor in the Linguistics Program (spring semester). Undergraduate seminar on language and law.
- 1999- Princeton University, Visiting Associate Professor in the
2000 Linguistics Program (fall semester). Undergraduate seminar on language and law; series of faculty seminars on language and law sponsored by the Council of the Humanities.

Other Teaching Experience

- 1980- Harvard Extension School, Instructor. Organized course
1982 on legal aspects of the non-profit organization.
- 1981 Brandeis University, Lecturer in Legal Studies.
- 1974- University of Massachusetts, Graduate Instructor.
1978 Taught course on language acquisition.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

- 1983- Orans, Elsen & Lupert, New York, New York. Partner from
1996 1989, associate from 1983-1989. The firm has nine lawyers and specializes in complex commercial litigation, white collar criminal defense work, and the representation of individuals being investigated by government agencies.
- 1982- Law Clerk to Justice Stewart Pollock, Supreme Court of
1983 New Jersey, Court House, Morristown, New Jersey 07960.

Admitted to practice law in New York and New Jersey.

PUBLICATIONS:

Books:

Speaking of Language and Law: Conversations on the Work of Peter Tiersma (co-edited with Janet Ainsworth and Roger Shuy), Oxford University Press (2015).

The Oxford Handbook of Language and Law (co-edited with Peter Tiersma) (2012).

The Language of Statutes: Laws and Their Interpretation, University of Chicago Press (2010).

Speaking of Crime: The Language of Criminal Justice (with Peter Tiersma), University of Chicago Press (2005).

The Language of Judges, University of Chicago Press (1993).

Pronominal Reference: Child Language and the Theory of Grammar, D. Reidel Publishing Company (1983).

Articles

“Can Originalism be Made Scientific?” *Yale Law Journal Forum* (forthcoming 2016).

“Die Auslegung mehrsprachigen Rechts: Einige Vor – und Nachteile [The Interpretation of Multilingual Laws – Some Costs and Benefits], 21 *GreifRecht* 38 (forthcoming 2016).

“Precedent in Statutory Interpretation,” *North Carolina Law Review* (forthcoming 2016).

“Identifying Where People Come from by How They Speak: A Methodological Gap Worth Bridging, 21 *International Journal of Speech, Language and the Law* 383 (2014).

“Multilingualism and Morality in Statutory Interpretation,” 1 *Language and Law/Linguagem e Direito* 5 (2014).

“Is it Time for a Restatement of Statutory Interpretation?” 79 *Brooklyn Law Review* 733 (2014).

“Must Torts be Wrongs? An Empirical Perspective,” (with Joseph Sanders, Matthew Kugler and John Darley), 49 *Wake Forest Law Review* 1 (2014).

“Four Reasons to Teach Psychology to Legal Writing Students,” 22 *Journal of Law & Policy* 7 (2013).

“Intuition versus Algorithm: The Case of Forensic Authorship Attribution,” 21 *Journal of Law & Policy* 551 (2013).

“When Does Knowledge Become Intent? Perceiving the Minds of Wrongdoers” (with Pam Mueller and John Darley), 9 *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies* 859 (2012).

“Legislative Style and Judicial Discretion: The Case of Guardianship Law,” 35 *Int’l Journal of Law and Psychiatry* 464 (2012).

“Lawyers as Insincere (But Truthful) Actors,” 36 *Journal of the Legal Profession* 487 (2012).

“Justifying Board Diversity” (with James Fanto and John Darley), 89 *North Carolina L. Rev.* 901 (2011).

“Statutory Interpretation, Morality, and the Text,” Symposium on Statutory Interpretation, 76 *Brooklyn Law Review* 1033 (2011).

“Response: Opportunistic Textualism,” 158 *U. Pa. L. Rev. PENNumbra* 224 (2010).

“Doing Wrong without Creating Harm,” (with John M. Darley, Matthew Kugler and Joseph Sanders), 7 *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies* 30 (2010).

“Praise, Blame, and the Structure of Legal Rules,” 75 *Brooklyn Law Review* 517 [Symposium: Is Morality Universal and Should the Law Care?] (2010).

“The Interpretation of Multilingual Statutes by the European Court of Justice,” 34 *Brooklyn Journal of International Law* 277 (2009).

“False Consensus Bias in Contract Interpretation,” (with Terri Rosenblatt and Daniel Osherson), 108 *Columbia Law Review* 1268 (2008).

“The Uneasy Relationship Between Science and Law: An Essay and Introduction,” (with Margaret A. Berger), 73 *Brooklyn Law Review* 847 (2008).

“Contract as Agreement,” 83 *Notre Dame Law Review* 353 (2007).

“Tax Shelters and the Code: Navigating Between Text and Intent,” (with Steven Dean), 26 *Virginia Tax Review* 879 (2007).

“Where Does Blaming Come From?” 71 *Brooklyn Law Review* 939 (2006).

“The New Textualists’ New Text,” [Symposium: Statutory Interpretation] 38 *Loyola Law Review* 2027 (2005).

“Private Language, Public Laws: The Central Role of Legislative Intent in Statutory Interpretation,” 93 *Georgetown Law Journal* 427 (2005).

“Author Identification in American Courts,” (with Peter M. Tiersma) 25 *Applied Linguistics* 448

(2004).

“Pernicious Ambiguity in Legal Interpretation,” 79 *Chicago-Kent Law Review* 859 (2004).

“Cops and Robbers: Selective Literalism in American Courts,” (with Peter M. Tiersma), 38 *Law & Society Review* 229 (2004).

“Jurors as Statutory Interpreters,” 78 *Chicago-Kent Law Review* 1281 (2003).

“Statutory Inflation and Institutional Choice,” 44 *William & Mary Law Review* 2209 (2003).

“The Impulse to Blame,” symposium article, 68 *Brooklyn Law Review* 1003 (2003).

“Hearing Voices: Speaker Identification in Court,” (with Peter M. Tiersma), 54 *Hastings Law Review* 373 (2003).

“Should Criminal Statutes be Interpreted Dynamically?” *Issues in Legal Scholarship*, Symposium on Dynamic Statutory Interpretation (2002)(www.bepress.com/ils/iss3/art8).

“The Linguist on the Witness Stand: Forensic Linguistics in American Courts,” (with Peter M. Tiersma), 78 *Language* 221 (2002).

“The Written Contract as Safe Harbor for Dishonest Conduct,” 77 *Chicago-Kent Law Review* 87 (2001).

“Convicting the Innocent Beyond a Reasonable Doubt: Some Lessons About Jury Instructions from the *Sheppard* Case,” Symposium on the *Sheppard* case, 49 *Cleveland State Law Review* 465 (2001).

“Introduction: Symposium: The Jury in the 21st Century,” (with Susan N. Herman), 66 *Brooklyn Law Review* 971 (2001).

“Causation, Contribution and Legal Liability: An Empirical Study,” (with John M. Darley), 64 *Law & Contemporary Problems* 265 (2001).

“Why Laws Work Pretty Well, But Not Great: Words and Rules in Legal Interpretation,” 26 *Law & Social Inquiry* 243 (2001).

“Un effet du principe C chez l’enfant francophone,” (with Helen Goodluck), 45 *Canadian Journal of Linguistics* 49 (2000).

“Let Us Never Forget Our Humanity: Reflections on Justice Stewart Pollock,” 31 *Rutgers L. J.* (2000).

“Refocusing the Burden of Proof in Criminal Cases: Some Doubt About Reasonable Doubt,” 78 *Texas L. Rev.* 105 (1999).

- “Can the Legal System Use Experts on Meaning,” 66 *Tennessee L. Rev.* 1167 (1999).
- “Linguistic Experts as Semantic Tour Guides, 5 *Forensic Linguistics* 87 (1998).
- “Law, Language and Lenity,” 40 *William & Mary L. Rev.* 57 (1998).
- "Learning Our Limits: The Decline of Textualism in Statutory Cases," 1997 *Wisconsin L. Rev.* 235.
- "Judicial Decisions and Linguistic Analysis: Is There a Linguist in the Court?" 73 *Washington Univ. L. Q.* 1069 (1995).
- "When All is Lost: Why it is Difficult for Judges to Write About Concepts," 1 *Graven Images* (1994).
- "When Judges Use the Dictionary," 68 *American Speech* 50 (1993).
- "Focus and Levels of Representation," 15 *Linguistic Inquiry* 174 (1984).
- "Contrastive Stress and Children's Interpretation of Pronouns," 23 *Journal of Speech and Hearing Research* 688 (1980).
- "A Reevaluation of the Basic Operations Hypothesis," (H. Goodluck and L. Solan), 7 *Cognition* 85 (1979).

Book Chapters

- “Statutes and Case Law,” in *American Governance* (Stephen Schechter, ed.) (2016).
- “Transparent and Opaque Consent in Contract Formation,” in *Coercion and Consent in the Legal Process: Linguistic and Discursive Perspectives* (Susan Ehrlich, Diana Eades and Janet Ainsworth, eds.) (2016).
- “Expert Witness Communication” (with Lorna Fadden), in *Communication in Investigative and Legal Contexts: Integrated Approaches from Forensic Psychology, Linguistics and Law Enforcement* (Gavin Oxburgh, Trond Myklebust, Tim Grant and Rebecca R. Milne, eds.)(2015).
- “Talk about Text as Text,” in *Speaking of Language and Law: Conversations on the Work of Peter Tiersma* (Lawrence M. Solan, Janet Ainsworth and Roger Shuy, eds.)(2015).
- “Interpretando las Leyes:¿Lenguaje o Intención?,” in *Lingüística Forense: la Lingüística en el ámbito Legal y Policial* (Elena Garayzábal Heinze, Miriam Jiménez Bernal, Mercedes Reigosa Riveiros, eds.)(2014).

“Ética y Método en Lingüística Forense,” in *Lingüística Forense: la Lingüística en el ámbito Legal y Policial* (Elena Garayzábal Heinze, Miriam Jiménez Bernal, Mercedes Reigosa Riveiros, eds.)(2014).

“Judging Language Plain,” in *Ens Queda la Paraula: Estudis de Lingüística Aplicada en Honor a M. Teresa Turell*, (Raquel Casesnoves, Montse Forcadell and Núria Gavaldà, eds.)(2014).

“The Language of Crime” (with Peter Tiersma), in *Oxford Handbook of Language and Law* (P. Tiersma and L. Solan, eds.)(2012).

“Linguistic Issues in Statutory Interpretation,” in *Oxford Handbook of Language and Law* (P. Tiersma and L. Solan, eds.)(2012).

“Introduction,” (with Peter Tiersma), in *Oxford Handbook of Language and Law* (P. Tiersma and L. Solan, eds.)(2012).

“Ethics and Method in Forensic Linguistics,” Proceedings of the International Association of Forensic Linguist’ Tenth Biennial Conference (Samuel Tomblin, et al., eds. 2012), available at <http://www.forensiclinguistics.net/iafl-10-proceedings.pdf>.

“The Forensic Linguist Meets the Adversarial System,” in *The Routledge Handbook of Forensic Linguistics* (Malcolm Coulthard and Alison Johnson, eds.)(2010).

“Statutory Interpretation in the EU: The Augustinian Approach,” in *Translation Issues in Language and Law* (Dieter Stein, Frances Olsen & Alexander Lorz, eds.) (2009).

“Talking Like a Person, Thinking Like a Lawyer (and Vice Versa),” in *Verbal/Visual narrative Texts in Higher Education* (Martin Solly, Michelangelo Conoscenti & Sandra Campagna, eds.)(2008).

“La Lingüística Forense en los tribunales norteamericanos,” (with Peter M. Tiersma), in *Lingüística forense, lengua y derecho. conceptos, métodos y aplicaciones* (M. Turell, ed.) (2006).

“Language and Law: Definitions in Law.” *Elsevier Encyclopedia of Language and Linguistics* (Keith Brown, ed.)(2006).

“Ordinary Meaning in Legal Interpretation,” in *Ordinary and Legal Language* (Barbara Pozzo, ed.) 125 (2005).

“Vagueness and Ambiguity in Legal Interpretation,” in *Vagueness in Normative Texts* (Vijay Bhatia, Jan Engberg, Maurizio Gotti, Dorothee Heller, eds.) 73 (2005).

“Finding Ordinary Meaning in the Dictionary,” in M. Robinson, ed., *Language and Law: Proceedings of a Conference* (2003).

“The Clinton Scandal: Some Legal Lessons from Linguistics,” in J. Cotterill, ed., *Language in the Legal Process*, Palgrave, (2002).

“Ordinary Meaning in Legal Interpretation,” *Pohjois-Suomen Tuomarikoulu - Julkaisuja* 4/2001 (Rovaniemi Finland, 2002).

“Perjury and Impeachment: The Rule of Law or the Rule of Lawyers?” in *Aftermath: The Clinton Scandal and the Future of the Presidency and the Liberal State* (L. Kaplan and B. Moran, eds.), NYU Press, 199-211 (2001).

“Chomsky and Cardozo: Linguistics and the Law,” in Carlos P. Otero, ed., *Noam Chomsky: Critical Assessments*, London: Routledge (1994).

“Does the Legal System Need Experts in English Syntax?” In W. Stewart and R. Reiber, eds., *The Language Scientist as Expert in the Legal Setting*, New York Academy of Sciences (1990).

“Linguistic Principles as the Rule of Law,” in P. Pupier and J. Woehrling, eds., *Langue et droit -- Language and Law*, Wilson & Lafleur Itée (1989).

“Parameter Setting and the Development of Pronouns and Reflexives,” in T. Roeper and E. Williams, eds., *Parameter Setting*, D. Reidel Publishing Company (1987).

“The Judge as Linguist: Linguistic Principles as Rule of Law,” in Fred Marshall, ed., *Proceedings of the Third Eastern States Conference on Linguistics*, University of Pittsburgh (1986).

“A Comparison of Null and Pronoun Anaphora in First Language Acquisition,” (B. Lust, L. Solan, S. Flynn, C. Cross, and E. Schuetz, in B. Lust, ed., *Studies in the Acquisition of Anaphora: Defining the Constraints*, D. Reidel Publishing Company (1986).

“Language Acquisition Data and the Theory of Markedness: Evidence from Spanish,” in F. Eckman, E. Moravcsik and J. Wirth, eds., *Markedness*, Plenum (1986).

“A Metrical Analysis of Spanish Stress,” in W. Cressey and D. Napoli, eds., *Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages: 9*, Georgetown University Press (1981). Translated in “Análisis métrico del acento español,” in Juana Gil (ed.), *Panorama actual de la fonología del español* (2000).

“Fixing Parameters: Language Acquisition and Language Variation,” in J. Pustejovsky and V. Burke, eds., *Markedness and Learnability*, University of Massachusetts Occasional Papers in Linguistics, Volume 6 (1981).

“The Acquisition of Structural Restrictions on Anaphora,” in S. Tavakolian, ed., *Language Acquisition and Linguistic Theory* 59-73, MIT Press (1981).

“The Acquisition of Tough Movement,” in F. Eckman and A. Hastings, eds., *Studies in First and*

Second Language Acquisition, Newbury House Publishers (1979).

“Children's Use of Syntactic Structure in Interpreting Relative Clauses,” (with Tom Roeper), in 1996 H. Goodluck and L. Solan, eds., *Papers in the Structure and Development of Child Language*, University of Massachusetts Occasional Papers in Linguistics, Volume 4 (1978).

Reviews and Editorial

With Scalia Gone, Who is Wearing the Thick Grammarian's Spectacles Now? Balkinization, posted 3/9/2016, <http://balkin.blogspot.com/2016/03/with-scalia-gone-whoswearing-thick.html>.

Confronting the Interpreter, Balkinization, posted 3/3/2016, <http://balkin.blogspot.com/2016/03/confronting-theinterpreter-lawrence.html>.

Pay Associates Less, *Huffington Post*, January, 2013.

Review, Roger Shuy, *Creating Language Crimes*, 11 *Theoretical Criminology* 126 (2007).

Forum: Forensic Science, No Consensus (with Peter Tiersma), *Issues in Science and Technology* (2003).

“Wrist Slaps are No Deterrent,” *National L. J.* (2003).

“Fault Lies Not Only in Starr but in Law,” *National L.J.* A19 (Apr. 20, 1998).

Review, Bernard Jackson, *Making Sense in Law*, 4 *Forensic Linguistics* 305 (1997).

RECENT LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

“Remarks on Legislative Intent,” Symposium: Legislative Intent: Can We, Do We, Should We Seek It? Sponsored by CUNY Graduate Center Department of Philosophy, and University of London Institute of Advanced Legal Studies and Institute of Philosophy, New York, April 2016.

“The Dictionary, the Corpus, and the Judge,” Dictionary Society of North America, New York, April 2016.

“Linguistic Issues in Legal Interpretation: How Obamacare Survives,” Yale Law School, April 2016.

“Legal Indeterminacy in the Spoken Word” (with Silvia Dahmen and Kevin Tang), Department of Linguistics, Yale University, March 2016.

“Patterns in the Fabric of Law and Language,” (keynote address), Conference on The Fabric of Law and Language: Discovering Patterns through Legal Corpus Linguistics, University of Heidelberg, March 2016.

“The Linguistics of Legal Interpretation,” Käte Hamburger Kollegs "Recht als Kultur" Center for Advanced Study in the Humanities, University of Bonn, March 2016.

“Precedent in Statutory Interpretation,” Roundtable on Statutory Interpretation, Cardozo Law School, New York, March 2016.

“Lies, Deceit and BS in Court: What are the Differences and Why do They Matter?” Brooklyn Law School Center for the Study of Law, Language and Cognition, February 2016.

Commentator, AALS Emerging Scholars Program on Legislation and Statutory Interpretation, New York, January 2016.

“Precedent in the EU and the US: A Comparative View,” Conference on Precedent in EU Law: The Linguistic Aspect, sponsored by Exeter University and the Irish Centre for European Law, Dublin, December 2015.

“Communicating with Experts” (with Lorna Fadden), Keynote Address, Conference on Expertise in Language and Law, Cardiff University, November 2015.

“How Dishonest May Lawyers Be?” Universidad Pontificia Comillas, Madrid, September 2015.

“The Interpretation of Multilingual Legislation: Some Costs and Benefits,” International Conference on Law and Social Order, Spiru Haret University, Constanta, Romania, September 2015.

“Can Posting a Poem on Facebook Land You in Prison? Putting Peter Tiersma’s Work to Work,” Aston University, Birmingham, England, September 2015.

“Legal Indeterminacy in the Spoken Word” (with Silvia Dahmen), Phonetics Institute, University of Cologne, June 2015.

“Communicating with Experts” (with Lorna Fadden), Law & Society Association, Seattle, May 2015.

“Legal Indeterminacy in the Spoken Word” (with Silvia Dahmen), symposium on linguistic philosophy and legal interpretation, McGeorge School of Law, Sacramento CA, May 2015.

“Beyond Babel: The Interpretation of Multilingual Statutes in the EU,” University of Lyon 3, March 2015.

“Lies, Deceit and BS in Court: What are the Differences and Why do they Matter?” Administrative Judicial Institute, New York, November 2014.

“Precedent in Statutory Interpretation,” Pace University School of Law, September 2014.

“Statutory Interpretation: Why We Can’t Avoid Pragmatics,” presented at Pragmatic Turn conference, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, July 2014.

“Europe, Babel and Beyond: Statutory Interpretation in Multilingual Legal Regimes,” University of Greifswald (Germany), Faculty of Law, June 2014.

“Interpreting Laws in a Multilingual World,” China University of Political Science and Law (Beijing), June 2014.

“Multilingual Legislation: Some Costs and Benefits,” Keynote Address, International Roundtable on the Semiotics of Law, University of Copenhagen, June 2014.

“Legal Interpretation: What Goes Wrong,” Harvard-Yenching Institute Workshop on Language and Law, April 2014.

“Legal Standards in Forensic Linguistics,” Hofstra University Program in Forensic Linguistics, April 2014.

“Precedent in Statutory Interpretation,” Conference on Statutory Interpretation, Notre Dame University Law School, London, February 2014.

“Linguistic Issues in Legal Interpretation,” Lectio Magistralis, Rome Science Festival, January 2014.

“Morality and Multilingualism in Legal Interpretation,” keynote address, Conference on Language and Law: Bridging the Gap, Federal University of Santa Catarina, Florianopolis, Brazil, December 2013.

“Word Meaning in Legal Interpretation,” Psychology Lab Presentation, Princeton University, December 2013.

“Linguistic Issues in Legal Interpretation,” Hong Kong University Law Faculty, October 2013.

“The Interpretation of Multilingual Statutes in the EU,” Universidad Pontificia Comillas, Madrid, September 2013.

“Forensic Linguistics: The Need for Methodology,” PAN/CLEF Conference (keynote speaker, computer science conference), Valencia Spain, September 2013.

Same talk, Universitat Pompeu Fabra ForensicLab, Barcelona, September 2013.

“Forensic Linguistics: Linguistic Evidence in Court and How to Provide It,” Law as Text in Context Seminar, University of Copenhagen Faculty of Law, August 2013.

“Forensic Linguistics: The Need for Methodology,” University of Copenhagen Faculty of Law, Lecture to Ph.D. students, August 2013.

“Consumer Contract formation in the U.S. and Europe: Almost a World Apart,” University of Hamburg, Germany, Sponsored by DAJV, August, 2013.

“Law, Language and the Modular Mind,” University of Exeter Law School, UK, June 2013.

“American Perspectives on National and International Jurisdiction over International Crimes,” panel on National and International Jurisdiction over International Crimes, St. Petersburg International Legal Forum, St. Petersburg, Russia, May 2013.

“Vagueness and Ambiguity in Legal Interpretation,” Conference on Vagueness in Law: Philosophical and Legal Approaches, NYU Department of Philosophy, March 2013.

“Linguistic Issues in Legal Interpretation,” Department of Linguistics, College of William & Mary, March 2013.

“Four Reasons to Teach Psychology to Legal Writing Students,” Symposium: The Impact of Cognitive Bias on Persuasion and Writing Strategies, Brooklyn Law School, March 2013.

“Linguistic Issues in Statutory Interpretation,” Department of Linguistics, University of California, Davis, February 2013.

“Transparent and Opaque Consent in Contract Formation,” University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, February, 2013.

“Transparent and Opaque Consent in Contract Formation,” Conference on Contract Law, Texas Wesleyan Law School, February 2013.

“Why We Do Not Need a Restatement of Statutory Interpretation,” Symposium: Restatement of X, Brooklyn Law School, January 2013.

“Fear of Vagueness,” AALS joint session on Law & Economics, and Law & Interpretation, New Orleans, January 2013.

“Ethics and Method in Forensic Linguistics,” Brooklyn Law School Authorship Attribution Workshop (NSF Sponsored), October 2012.

Same paper, Universidad Autónoma, Madrid, October 2012.

Moderator of Panel on Preliminary Jury Instructions, ABA conference on The Optimal Jury, Northwestern University School of Law, October 2012.

“Consenting to Everything by Consenting to Nothing: A Paradox in Contract Interpretation,” John Marshall Law School, Chicago, September 2012.

“The Invisible Judge?: Imposing Meaning on Law While Pretending to Defer to its Language,”

University of Copenhagen Law Faculty, August 2012.

Master Class on issues in language and law for Ph.D. students, University of Copenhagen Law Faculty, August 2012.

“Ambiguity in Legal Interpretation: One Ambiguity, Three Legal Messes,” RELINE Law and Language Conference, Nyborg, Denmark, August 2012.

“The Invisible Judge?: Imposing Meaning on Law While Pretending to Defer to its Language,” Heinrich Heine University, Düsseldorf, Germany, June 2012.

“Linguistic Issues in Statutory Interpretation,” Loyola Law School (LA), Conference Launching the Publication of *The Oxford Handbook of Language and Law*, April 2012.

“Plain Language, Plain Laws?” and “Truth, Lies and Insincerity in the Law,” Virginia State University, Petersburg, Virginia, March 2012.

“Fear of Vagueness and the Making of Common Law Statutes,” Freiburg University Conference on Vagueness and the Law, Freiburg, Germany, January 2012.

“From Risk to Knowledge,” (with Pam Mueller and John Darley) Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Northwestern University Law School, November 2011.

“The Language of Statutes,” discussion of my book, Yale Law School seminar on legislation, October 2011.

“The Expert Witness Meets the Adversarial System: Ethical Issues and the Centrality of Method,” International Congress on Law and Mental Health, Berlin, July 2011.

“Statutory Interpretation, Morality and the Text,” International Association of Forensic Linguistics, Birmingham, England, July 2011.

“Statutory Interpretation in the EU: Are 23 Languages Enough?” Princeton University Program in Translation, April 2011.

“From Risk to Knowledge,” (with Pam Mueller and John Darley), MERGE Conference on Experimental Philosophy, NYU, March 2011.

Commentator, Conference on Statutory Interpretation, Columbia Law School, April 2011.

“Government by Plain Language,” Symposium on Plain Meaning in Context: Can Law Survive its Own Language?, NYU, February, 2011.

“Statutory Interpretation: How Much Work Does Language Do?” Moderator and Commentator, AALS Legislation Section Panel, San Francisco, January 2011.

Earlier Presentations

Judges and Judicial Officers

Sixth Circuit Judicial Conference, U.S. District Court Judges for the E.D. Michigan, E.D. Pennsylvania, D. Oregon and C.D. California, New Jersey Judicial College, New York Family Court Judges Association.

Organizations

American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), American Association of Applied Linguistics, American Society of Comparative Law, Association of American Law Schools (AALS), DAJV (Deutsch-Amerikanische Juristen-Vereinigung *German-American Bar Association*) and the U.S. Department of State, Law and Society Association, National Institute of Justice Science and Law Conference, National Association of Judicial Interpreters and Translators, New York Academy of Sciences, Linguistic Society of America, International Association of Forensic Linguistics (plenary speaker, 1997), International Congress of Law and Mental Health, International Association of Forensic Phonetics, NIJ Conference on Science and Law, Society of Empirical Legal Studies, Various Bar Associations

Universities

American

Chicago-Kent School of Law, Columbia Law School, DePaul Law School, Duke University, Georgetown University Law Center, Georgetown University Department of Linguistics, Harvard University, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, MIT, Swarthmore College, Seton Hall University School of Law, Princeton University, Rutgers Law School, Rutgers University (Political Science Department), Loyola School of Law (Chicago), University of Tennessee, Michigan State University School of Law, Loyola (LA) Law School, New England School of Law, Cleveland-Marshall School of Law, University of Minnesota School of Law, University of Texas Law School, University of Alabama Law School, University of Massachusetts (including endowed Freeman Lecture), University of North Carolina Law School, University of Pittsburgh, University of Rochester, University of Southern California (Gould School of Law), University of Wisconsin Law School, Widener University School of Law, Yale Law School

International

Aston University (Birmingham, England), Cardiff University, Australia National University, Essex University (Colchester, England), Freiburg University, University of Amsterdam, University of Lapland (Finland), Lodz University (Poland), University of York (England), University of Birmingham (England), University of Bonn, Heinrich Heine University (Düsseldorf, Germany), Universitat Pompeu Fabra (Barcelona, Spain), China Central Normal University (Wuhan), China University of Political Science and Law (Beijing), Northwestern

University of Political Science and Law (Xi'an), University of Sheffield (England)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Association of American Law Schools (AALS), Chair, Insurance Law Section (2009); Chair, Legislation Section (2010); Executive Committee, Law & Interpretation Section (2014-); Executive Committee, Section on Graduate Programs for Non-US Lawyers (2015-)

Federal Bar Council

American Bar Association

International Academy of Law and Mental Health (Member, Board of Directors, 1998-)

Linguistic Society of America (Chair, Committee on Social and Political Concerns (2000-01)

Law and Society Association

International Association of Forensic Linguists (President, 1999-2003)

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Within Brooklyn Law School

I have extensive administrative experience, both as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, and through committee work during my tenure at Brooklyn Law School. Duties of the deanship included planning of academic program and schedule, development of new degree programs, coordination of interdepartmental administrative projects, support for faculty scholarship, contact with various alumni and other groups, hiring and supervision of adjunct faculty. I am currently responsible for building our LL.M. programs.

Director, Brooklyn Law School Center for the Study of Law, Language and Cognition. I have organized symposia on various issues involving law, language and psychology. I have received grants from the National Science Foundation, the National Institute of Justice and the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation to fund interdisciplinary conferences involving law, language and psychology. See <http://www.brooklaw.edu/intellecualife/centerforlawlanguageandcognition/overview.aspx?>

Additional Activities

Editorial and Advisory Boards

International Journal of Speech, Language and the Law

International Journal of Semiotics and Law

Language and Communication

Language and Law/ Linguagem e Direito

International Journal of Language and Law

Oxford University Press series on Language and Law (co-editor of series beginning 2016)

Peter Lang series, Studies in Language and Communication

Other

Federal Judicial Center: Have lectured to federal judges on issues in language and law, and have consulted on language issues in class action notices

Consultant to U.S. Department of Justice on linguistic issues in perjury prosecution

Consultant to private litigants on linguistic issues in various lawsuits, and to others on issues of language and law

Have reviewed grant proposals for National Science Foundation and for universities

Have served on doctoral committees at Yale University, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, University of California at Davis, University of Amsterdam, and City University of New York

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