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## **Faculty Biographies**



**Stephen Daniels** is a Senior Research Professor at the American Bar Foundation and holds a Ph.D. in political science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. His research focuses on law and public policy, the various aspects of the American civil justice system, the legal profession, and legal education. He has written on trial courts, juries, plaintiffs' lawyers, the politics of civil justice reform (including the areas of medical malpractice, products liability, and punitive damages), and innovation in legal education. He has testified before congressional and state legislative committees on the subject of civil justice reform, served as an expert in cases dealing with large jury awards and/or constitutional challenges to civil justice

reform, and recently served as the consultant/reporter for the American Bar Association's Task Force on the Financing of Legal Education. His most recent publication, co-authored with Joanne Martin, is *Tort Reform, Plaintiffs' Lawyers, and Access to Justice* (University Press of Kansas: 2015).



Richard Freer is the Robert Howell Hall Professor of Law at Emory. He is author or co-author of 16 books, including widely-adopted casebooks in Civil Procedure and Complex Litigation. He is the only academic to serve as contributing author to both of the standard multivolume treatises on federal jurisdiction and practice: Moore's Federal Practice (two volumes) and Wright & Miller's Federal Practice and Procedure (four volumes). He is a lifetime member of the American Law Institute and served as an adviser to the Institute's Federal Judicial Code Project. Before joining the Emory faculty in 1983, Professor Freer clerked for Hon. Edward Schwartz (S.D. Cal.) and Hon. Clement F. Haynsworth, Jr. (4th Circuit) and was an

associate in the Los Angeles office of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher. At Emory, he has served as the University's vice provost and earned the University's highest teaching award as well as its Scholar/Teacher Award. He received his JD from UCLA and his BA from the University of California, San Diego.



**Myriam Gilles** is a graduate of Harvard-Radcliffe College and Yale Law School. Before becoming a professor, she was a litigation associate at Kirkland & Ellis. She joined the faculty at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in 2000. Professor Gilles specializes in class actions and aggregate litigation, and has written extensively on class action waivers in arbitration clauses. In December 2013, she testified before the Senate Judiciary Committee in support of the Arbitration Fairness Act and in March 2015, she spoke at conference convened to announce the results of a three-year study of arbitration conducted by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. Professor Gilles also writes on structural reform

litigation, medical malpractice, access to justice and tort law. Her articles have appeared in top law reviews, including Chicago, Columbia, Michigan, and Penn, and have been cited in numerous judicial decisions. Professor Gilles teaches Torts, Civil Procedure, Products Liability, and Class Actions & Aggregate Litigation. In 2004, she was a visiting professor at the University of Virginia Law School; in 2005-06, was a Fellow in the Program of Law and Public Affairs at Princeton University; and in 2013-14, she is the recipient of the American Association for Justice's Robert L. Habush Endowment.







Robert Klonoff is Jordan D. Schnitzer Professor of Law at Lewis & Clark Law School, where he served as Dean from 2007-2014. His areas of expertise include class action litigation, civil procedure, and appellate litigation. He co-authored a leading casebook on class actions, published by West, authored the West Nutshell on class actions, and authored numerous law review articles. He has taught and lectured throughout the United States and in several foreign countries on class actions and appellate litigation. He is a member of the American Law Institute (ALI) and served as an Associate Reporter for the ALI's class action project, "Principles of the Law of Aggregate Litigation." He is an elected member of the International Association of Procedural Law, and he serves as an

advisory board consulting editor of Class Action Litigation Report (BNA). Professor Klonoff has extensive litigation experience. He was a partner at Jones Day for many years, where he handled complex litigation at both the trial and appellate levels. He has argued eight cases before the United States Supreme Court as well as dozens of cases in other federal and state appellate courts throughout the country. He has personally handled more than 100 class action cases as counsel. In addition, he has served as an expert witness in numerous class actions, including the British Petroleum Deepwater Horizon case and the National Football League Concussion case. In 2011, Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr., appointed Professor Klonoff to serve as the academic member of the United States Judicial Conference Advisory Committee on Civil Rules. He was reappointed by Chief Justice Roberts in May 2014 for a second three-year term. He received his A.B. from the University of California, Berkeley, and his J.D. from Yale Law School.



**Alexandra Lahav** is Joel Barlow Professor of Law at the University of Connecticut School of Law, where she teaches civil procedure, complex litigation, advanced torts, and professional responsibility. She is an expert on civil procedure and complex litigation. Her research primarily focuses on procedural justice and the limits of due process in class actions and aggregate litigation. In recent articles she has explored the justifications for innovative procedures such as statistical sampling and bellwether trials in mass tort litigation, what role principles of equality should play in litigation, and how courts can manage multi-jurisdictional litigation. Her work has been cited in Federal District Court opinions, academic articles and treatises and she regularly

presents to academics and practitioners. She is co-author of the fourth edition of the popular civil procedure casebook, *Civil Procedure: Doctrine, Practice, and Context,* and her book *In Praise of Litigation* and defending the role of litigation in American democracy is forthcoming with Oxford University Press. Professor Lahav received her B.A. in history from Brown University and graduated *magna cum laude* from Harvard Law School. She clerked for Justice Alan Handler of the New Jersey Supreme Court and practiced with a boutique civil rights firm in New York City, now called Emery, Celli, Brinckerhoff & Abady LLC. She is currently a visiting professor at Harvard Law School.



**Joanne Martin** is a Research Professor Emerita at the American Bar Foundation and holds a J.D. from the School of Law, Loyola University Chicago and an M.M, from the Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University. With Daniels, her research has focused on law and public policy and the various aspects of the American civil justice system. Their published work has included a book on juries and the politics of civil justice reform and numerous articles on plaintiffs' lawyers and the importance of their role in the civil justice system. Martin has also conducted research on legal education and the delivery of legal services to the underserved in the American population. Her most recent publication, co-authored with Stephen Daniels, is *Tort Reform, Plaintiffs' Lawyers, and Access to Justice* (University Press of Kansas: 2015).



**Judith Resnik** is the Arthur Liman Professor of Law at Yale Law School, where she teaches about federalism, procedure, courts, prisons, equality, and citizenship. Her books include *Representing Justice: Invention, Controversy, and Rights in City-States and Democratic Courtrooms* (with Dennis Curtis, 2011), and *Migrations and Mobilities: Citizenship, Borders, and Gender* (co-edited with Seyla Benhabib, 2009). She co-edited with Linda Greenhouse, the Daedalus volume *The Invention of Courts*, published in 2014; recent articles include *The Privatization of Process* (U. Penn. L. Rev., 2014); and *Federalism(s)'s Forms and Norms* (Nomos LV, 2014). Forthcoming is *Diffusing Disputes: The Public in the Private of Arbitration, the Private in Courts, and the Erasure of Rights* (Yale Law Journal, summer 2015).

Professor Resnik is a Managerial Trustee of the International Association of Women Judges. She chairs Yale Law School's Global Constitutional Seminar, and she is the founding director of the Arthur Liman Program, supporting fellowships for law graduates and undergraduates at six colleges, and sponsoring colloquia on the civil and criminal justice systems. Discussion of some Liman projects can be found in *The Policies Governing Isolation in U.S. Prisons*, submitted to the Senate Judiciary's Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Human Rights. Professor Resnik is a member of the American Philosophical Society, a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and an occasional litigator. In 2009, she argued *Mohawk Industries, Inc. v. Carpenter* in the United States Supreme Court.



**Catherine Sharkey** is the Crystal Eastman Professor of Law at New York University and a Faculty Director of the Civil Jury Project at NYU. She is one of the nation's leading authorities on punitive damages and federal preemption. She has published more than 40 articles, essays, and book chapters in the fields of torts, products liability, administrative law, remedies, and class actions. Sharkey is coauthor with Richard Epstein of *Cases and Materials on Torts* (10th edition, 2012) and co-editor with Saul Levmore of *Foundations of Tort Law* (2nd edition, 2009). She is a founding member of the World Tort Law Society, established in 2012, and an elected member of the American Law Institute. Sharkey is an appointed public

member of the Administrative Conference of the United States and an adviser to the ALI Restatement Third, Torts: Liability for Economic Harm. She was a 2011-12 Guggenheim Fellow. Sharkey received her BA in economics *summa cum laude* from Yale University. A Rhodes Scholar, she received an MSc in economics for development, with distinction, from Oxford University, and her JD from Yale Law School, where she was Executive Editor of the *Yale Law Journal*. After clerking for Judge Guido Calabresi of the US Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and Justice David H. Souter of the US Supreme Court, Sharkey practiced appellate litigation before joining the faculty of Columbia Law School. She came to NYU School of Law in 2007.



**Georgene Vairo** is Professor of Law and David P. Leonard Chair, Loyola Law School, Los Angeles. She teaches and writes in the areas of mass tort litigation, class actions, international dispute resolution, federal practice and jurisdiction. She has written several books, including *Rule 11 Sanctions* and the chapters on removal jurisdiction, venue, and multidistrict litigation in *Moore's Federal Practice*. She also wrote *The Complete CAFA: Analysis and Developments Under the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005* (LEXIS 2011), and *The Federal Courts Jurisdiction and Venue Clarification Act of 2011: Analysis and Case Law Developments* (LEXIS 2013), and dozens of law review articles. Professor Vairo served as Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the

Dalkon Shield Claimants Trust. She serves on the editorial board of *Moore's Federal Practice*; is a member of the Rand Corporation's Institute for Civil Justice Board of Overseers, and of the American Law Institute. Currently, she serves as Reporter to the ABA TIPS Task Force on Asbestos Litigation. She has participated in numerous academic conferences, has lectured widely to the bench and bar, and has served as an expert in complex civil litigation cases. Professor Vairo received her B.A. from Sweet Briar College, and an M.Ed., with Distinction, from the University of Virginia. She graduated first in her class

from Fordham University School of Law, and served as a law clerk to the Honorable Joseph M. McLaughlin, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (then U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York). She practiced antitrust law with Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom in New York; and taught at Fordham University School of Law, where she also served as Associate Dean. She joined the Loyola Law School faculty in 1995.