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Contributor, *Commercial Law Blog*, <http://ucclaw.blogspot.com>, Dec. 2008–Sept. 2009

### Special

**Projects:** ILA [Insolvency Law Academy] Global Roundtable on Individual Insolvency, New Delhi, India (June 2025 to present)

World Bank Short-Term Consultant, Personal Insolvency, Small Business Insolvency, and Creditors’ Rights Review and Reform, multiple client-country projects and presentations (Feb. 2020 to present)

International Monetary Fund, Roster of Experts and short-term consultant on technical assistance project on small business insolvency in Mongolia (Aug. – Oct. 2022)

International Scientific Board (appointed member), *Spanish Journal of Insolvency and Restructuring* (Jan. 2021 to present), [https://www.iustel.com/v2/revistas/detalle\\_revista.asp?id=10&z=5](https://www.iustel.com/v2/revistas/detalle_revista.asp?id=10&z=5)

External Advisory Member, Gujarat National Law University (Gandhinagar, India) Center for Corp. & Insolvency Law (Feb. 2020 to present), <https://gnlu.ac.in/Corporate-And-Competition-Law/Team>

World Bank Short-Term Consultant, Personal Insolvency Reform, [EU Georgia Financial Inclusion and Accountability](#) project (May 2019 to present)

Board of Editors (appointed member), [Arab Law Quarterly](#) (July 2019 to present)

Expert Consultative Group for the Amendment to the World Bank Principles for Effective Insolvency and Creditor/Debtor (ICR) Regimes (June 2019 to present)

Seoul Bankruptcy Court (Seoul, South Korea), Bankruptcy Administrative Committee, Advisory Commissioner (term of appointment 10 Jan. 2018–9 Jan. 2021)

World Bank Group Short-Term Consultant, Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprise Insolvency; drafted and presented report, [\*Saving Entrepreneurs, Saving Enterprises: Proposals on the Treatment of MSME Insolvency\*](#) (May 2017–June 2018)

Guest Editor, 17 QUT LAW REVIEW 1 (2017) [\*Special Issue: Personal Insolvency – A Fresh Start\*](#)

Advisory Board, *Loyola Consumer Law Review* (2015-present), [www.luc.edu/law/academics/journals-publications/loyolaconsumerlawreview/index.cfm](http://www.luc.edu/law/academics/journals-publications/loyolaconsumerlawreview/index.cfm)

Int'l Advisory Group, European Comm'n, DG Justice, Tender No. JUST/2014/JCOO/PR/CIVI/0075, [\*Study on a new approach to business failure and insolvency: Comparative legal analysis of the Member States' relevant provisions and practices\*](#) (Nov. 2014–Jan. 2016)

World Bank Short-Term Consultant, Personal Insolvency Reform, [\*South Africa Financial Sector Development and Reform Program\*](#) (Oct. 2014–April 2016)

Chair, World Bank drafting group, [\*Report on the Treatment of the Insolvency of Natural Persons\*](#) (Mar. 2011–May 2013)

Member, World Bank Insolvency & Creditor/Debtor Regimes Task Force (Jan. 2011–present)

Advisor, Legal Affairs Committee, Parliament of Estonia, debt relief law reform (Aug. 2010)

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Professor of Law, Aug. 2019 to present

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Visiting Professor of Law, Fall 2017

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Van der Grinten Chair in Int'l & Comparative Insolvency Law (Sept. 2010–Sept. 2018)

- **John Marshall Law School, Chicago, IL** (acquired by Univ. Illinois Chicago, Aug. 2019)

Professor of Law, Aug. 2010-2019 [Assoc. Prof. 2008–2010; Ass't Prof. 2007–2008]

- **Bar/Bri Bar Review program**

Illinois - Commercial Paper and Secured Transactions (2008–2018)

Louisiana - Civil Law Security Rights, UCC Article 9, Negotiable Instruments (2001–2016)

- **Southeastern Bankruptcy Law Institute Distinguished Visiting Prof.**, Atlanta, GA

Georgia State Univ. College of Law (calendar year 2012)

- **American Bankruptcy Institute, Alexandria, VA**

Robert M. Zinman Scholar in Residence, fall semester 2011

**University of North Dakota School of Law, Grand Forks, ND**

Visiting Ass't Professor of Law, 2006–07

**Chapman University School of Law, Orange, CA**

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**Louisiana State University, Paul M. Hebert Law Center**, Baton Rouge, LA  
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**Centre International des Etudes Françaises**, Angers, France  
Independent study summer abroad, 1990

**Presentations:** **Insolvency Law Academy 4th Annual Conference**, Hyderabad, India, invited panel  
participant, “The American Dream and Indian Wings” (Jan. 25, 2026)

**Law & Society Association annual meeting**, Chicago, IL, paper presentation, “*Personal  
Bankruptcy Reform in Switzerland: Transition From First-Century Cessio to Twenty-First  
Century Discharge*” (May 22, 2025)

**World Bank Colloquium: Enhancing Credit Infrastructure to Support Climate  
Resilience**, Washington, DC, invited paper presentation, “Climate Change Effects and  
Resiliency Strategies for Asset-Based Finance of MSEs and Individuals” and Working  
Group participant (May 9-10, 2025)

**2nd European Conference on Personal Insolvency**, Barcelona Bar Association, invited  
presentation, “Responsible Credit From All Perspectives” (Jan. 16, 2025)

**World Bank, INSOL Int’l & Int’l Insol. Inst. Inaugural Insolvency and Climate  
Change Working Group**, Washington, DC, invited panel presentation, “Climate Risks  
and the Most Vulnerable: Solutions for MSEs — Principles and practical considerations  
related to MSEs for climate-centric insolvency reforms” (Feb. 23, 2024)

**International Conference on Voluntary Insolvency and SMEs or Individual  
Reorganization Procedure: Debtors’ Option to Restart**, Legal Execution Department,  
Ministry of Justice, Kingdom of Thailand, invited presentation, “Personal Insolvency  
Developments in 2023 in China, Uzbekistan, and Kazakhstan” (July 14, 2023)

**Midwest Finance Association 2023 Conference**, Chicago, IL, invited discussant of paper,  
“Bankruptcy Lawyers and Post-Bankruptcy Credit Recovery Outcomes” for session on  
Interactions Between Finance and the Law (Mar. 17, 2023)

**Fourth Int’l & Comparative Insolvency Law Symposium**, Chicago-Kent College of Law,  
panel moderator (Personal Insolvency) and presentation, “Law In Books Versus Law In  
Action In the Landmark Shenzhen Personal Bankruptcy Law” (Nov. 11, 2022)

**International Monetary Fund Insolvency Working Group**, invited Lightning Talk  
presentation, “Law In Books Versus Law In Action In the Landmark Shenzhen Personal  
Bankruptcy Law” (Oct. 25, 2022)

- Law & Society Ass'n, 7th Global Meeting**, Lisbon, Portugal (virtual), project presentation, "Law In Books Versus Law In Action In the Landmark Shenzhen Personal Bankruptcy Law" (July 15, 2022)
- British Institute of Int'l & Comparative Law, Beijing Foreign Studies Univ. Law School, Comparative Conference on the Legislation and Practice of Individual Insolvency**, London/Beijing simulcast, invited presentation, "Failure and Success: Consumer and Small Business Bankruptcy Reform in the US" (May 20, 2022)
- Ministry of Justice of Uzbekistan & USAID joint conference, "Legal Support of Strategic Reforms: Final Analysis and New Challenges,"** invited presentation, "Facilitating economic expansion and protecting human rights through individual and small business insolvency resolution: Legislative and regulatory best practices" (Feb. 25, 2022)
- Barcelona Bar Association, 1st European Personal Insolvency Conf.**, invited keynote, "Second Chance as an Effective Mechanism for Personal Insolvency" (Nov. 17, 2021)
- University of Pretoria, South Africa, Master's Class in Comparative Bankruptcy**, invited guest lecture (3 hours), "Framework of Essential Features of the USA Bankruptcy Law" (Nov. 10, 2021)
- Singapore Management Univ.-Cambridge Univ. Roundtable on Corporate Insolvency Law, Implementing a Simplified Insolvency Framework for Micro and Small Enterprises**, invited panel presentation, "The Small Business Reorganization Act in the United States" (Nov. 9, 2021)
- Univ. Complutense de Madrid, Int'l Congress on Insolvency & Restructuring**, invited panel presentation, "Corporate Restructuring and SMEs: US Bankruptcy Code Model" (Oct. 21, 2021)
- St. Petersburg International Legal Forum**, invited panel presenter, "MSE Debtors and Creditors in Trouble: is a Simplified Insolvency Regime the Solution?" (May 19, 2021)
- Western University Faculty of Law, 100 Years of Bankruptcy and Insolvency Law, 1920-2020**, invited paper commentator, "Historical Perspectives on Insolvency Law" (May 14, 2021)
- Australian Financial Security Authority**, invited presentation to senior leadership team, "Role(s) of a Modern Personal Insolvency System and Attributes of an Effective Regulator" (Feb. 24, 2021)
- UNCITRAL ReCAP, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India, GNLU Center for Corporate and Insolvency Law, International Conference on Insolvency Law and CISG@40**, invited roundtable presenter, Cross-Border Insolvency in the United States (Dec. 18, 2020) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ltvfe-cAuZY>
- World Bank/Republic of Fiji Workshop on MSME Insolvency and Personal Bankruptcy**, invited presenter, Comparative Practices of Personal Bankruptcy Reform (Dec. 15, 2020)
- INSOL International/World Bank Group Africa Round Table, Insolvency Reform in Africa in the Context of COVID-19**, invited panel presenter, "Insolvency-related policy responses to COVID-19" (Nov. 23, 2020)
- Third International and Comparative Insolvency Law Symposium**, Arizona State Univ., moderator of Personal/Consumer Insolvency panel and paper/project presentation, "The Middle East, China, and the Meaning of 'Personal Bankruptcy'" (Nov. 13, 2020)
- United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, UNCITRAL Texts and COVID-19 Response and Recovery Panel Series**, "Assisting Economic Recovery—Targeting MSMEs" invited panel presenter (July 13, 2020), <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SLwJwSEkao8>

- INSOL International/World Bank Group Legislative & Regulatory Live Forum**, Evolving Issues for Small and Medium Sized Enterprises, invited panel presenter (July 1, 2020)
- APEC Business Advisory Council, Asia-Pacific Financial Forum Videoconference**, Accelerating Post-COVID Recovery, invited presenter, “What can insolvency law reform contribute to the acceleration of recovery?” (May 21, 2020)
- Second International and Comparative Insolvency Law Symposium**, Miami, FL, moderator of Asia panel and paper presentation, “Fatal Flaws in Financing Personal Bankruptcy: The Curious Case of Russia in Comparative Context” (Nov. 15, 2019)
- 21st Century Institute**, Chicago, IL, Shanghai municipal government delegation training on better serving innovation and entrepreneurship, lecture series on business and personal insolvency challenges, policies, and recent world developments (Sept. 3, 2019)
- St. Petersburg Int’l Legal Forum, Int’l Insolvency Forum**, St. Petersburg, Russia, Consumer Bankruptcy panel presentation, financing personal insolvency administration (May 17, 2019)
- International Insolvency Institute Annual Conference, Joint Academic and Judicial Committees Meeting**, New York, NY, paper presentation, “Proposals on MSME Insolvency: Saving Entrepreneurs, Saving Enterprises” (September 23, 2018)
- University of Adelaide Law School, Lynch Meyer & Regulation of Corporate Insolvency and Tax (ROCIT) Bankruptcy Trustees Forum**, Adelaide, Australia, presentation, current developments in insolvency policy for micro, small, and medium enterprises (July 24, 2018)
- Queensland University of Technology Faculty of Law, Commercial and Property Law Research Centre**, Brisbane, Australia, [public lecture](#), “Technology and Regulatory Black Holes: Issues in protecting IP rights in Insolvency for both Debtor-Licensees and Licensors” (July 19, 2018)
- [China Banking Law Society Conference](#), “International Symposium on Personal Insolvency Legislation and Business Environment,”** Beijing, China, panel presentation, Debt Adjustment and Consumer Insolvency; discussant, Consumer Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention (June 15, 2018)
- Law & Society Association Annual Meeting**, Toronto, Canada, paper presentation “Determinants of Failure ... and Success in in Personal Debt Mediation” (June 7, 2018)
- Seoul Bankruptcy Court National Bankruptcy Conference**, Seoul, South Korea, (1) pre-conference special lecture, “Comparative study on individual insolvencies (European countries and Commonwealth nations) & credit counseling mandated for insolvency”; (2) panel presentation, “The Golden Hour for filing of business reorganization,” and (3) panel presentation, “Recent trends and perspectives on MSME/entrepreneur insolvencies” (May 26, 2018)
- MEP, Emil Radev, Conference “Main Challenges and Trends in Insolvency Proceedings, Restructuring and Discharge of Debt,”** Varna, Bulgaria, invited panel paper presentation ([afternoon session](#)), [“The Personal Side of Harmonizing Insolvency Law in Europe”](#) (May 18, 2018)
- World Bank Group Insolvency & Creditor/Debtor Regimes Task-Force**, Washington, DC, meeting on MSME Insolvency, report presentation, “Saving Entrepreneurs, Saving Enterprises: Proposals on the Treatment of MSME Insolvency” (May 4, 2018)
- Texas Law Review symposium “Bankruptcy’s Universal Pragmatist: A Celebration of the Work of Jay Lawrence Westbrook,”** Austin, TX, Comparative Consumer (International) Bankruptcy panel, paper presentation, “The Rise and Fall of Fear of Abuse

in Consumer Bankruptcy: Most Recent Comparative Evidence from Europe and Beyond” (Feb. 2, 2018)

**Comparative and Cross-Border Issues in Bankruptcy and Insolvency Law**, Chicago, IL, moderator of panel “Emerging Issues in Comparative Bankruptcy Law” and paper presentation, “Determinants of Failure and Success in Personal Debt Mediation” (Nov. 29, 2017)

**International Conference on Insolvency and the Credit Market**, Madrid, Spain, invited presenter, “[The insolvency of natural persons: An international perspective](#)” (Nov. 24, 2017)

**Seoul Bankruptcy Court, 2017 [Judicial Conference on Insolvency](#)**, Seoul, South Korea, panelist, “Innovative Approaches to Individual Insolvency” (Sept. 15, 2017)

**Brunel University London conference, “Consumer over-indebtedness, responsible lending, and the insolvency of natural persons in the UK, Germany, Italy, and Greece. Is there a need for a comprehensive EU reform to protect consumers in financial difficulty?”**, London, England, concluding commentator (May 20, 2016)

**Chicago Bar Association, Bankruptcy & Reorganization Committee seminar, “Comparative Foreign Bankruptcies: A discussion about personal bankruptcies in other countries and appointment of bankruptcy trustee in China,”** Chicago, IL, presenter (Apr. 20, 2016)

**Northwestern University Journal of International Law and Business symposium, “Money Makes the World Go Round: A Discussion on International Insolvency Issues Today,”** Chicago, IL, panelist (Feb. 19, 2015)

**JMLS Faculty Works-In-Progress Roundtable**, Chicago, IL, “*Reflections of the World Bank’s Report on the Treatment of the Insolvency of Natural Persons in the Newest Consumer Bankruptcy Laws: Colombia, Italy, Ireland*” (Apr. 17, 2014)

**EKPIZO-European Parliament conference, “Adjusting Debts and Protecting Housing - The European challenge,”** Athens, Greece, Keynote Speaker: “Policies addressing overindebtedness during the conditions of economic crisis” (Mar. 15, 2014)

**Valparaiso Univ. Law School, Regional Faculty Workshop**, Chicago, IL, presenter/commentator for Asst. Prof. Kara Bruce paper, “The Debtor Class” (Feb. 22, 2013)

**[American Bankruptcy Institute Podcast Interview](#)** on World Bank natural person insolvency project (Jan. 8, 2013)

**World Bank Working Group on the Treatment of the Insolvency of Natural Persons**, final meeting on Report on the Treatment of Insolvency of Natural Persons, conference organizer and chair of drafting committee (Dec. 13-14, 2012)

**Comparative Law course**, Chicago-Kent College of Law, Chicago, IL, guest lecture, “Introduction to Islamic Finance” (Nov. 29, 2012)

**Southeastern Bankruptcy Law Institute Luncheon**, Atlanta, GA, presentation, “For Better or For Worse: US Influence on Developing Global Consumer Bankruptcy Policy” (Oct. 16, 2012)

**Chicago-Kent College of Law**, Chicago, IL, paper presentation, “Foundations of Forgiveness in Islamic Bankruptcy Law: Sources, Methodology, Diversity” (Sept. 11, 2012)

**JMLS Faculty Works-In-Progress Roundtable**, Chicago, IL, “Involuntary Bankruptcy As Debt Collection: Multi-Jurisdictional Lessons In Choosing the Right Tool for the Job” (Sept. 4, 2012)

**INSOL International Annual Regional Conference**, Miami, FL, panel chair and presenter, “Reform and re-evaluation of consumer bankruptcy for the new economy,” (May 21, 2012)

**INSOL International Academics Group, Miami Colloquium**, Miami, FL, paper presentation (with Adrian Walters), “Involuntary Bankruptcy as Debt Collection: Some Thoughts on an Anglo-American Puzzle” (May 19, 2012)

**Free Legal Advice Centres conference**, “[Legislating for personal insolvency in Ireland: International developments and domestic issues](#),” Dublin, Ireland, Keynote Speaker: “A comparative consumer insolvency perspective: Key lessons from thirty years of pitfalls and best practices” (Apr. 19, 2012)

**Media coverage:**

- Today with Pat Kenny, RTE [Irish National Public Broadcasting], Apr. 20, 2012
- *Debt Bill will fail over bank veto, says US expert*, IRISH TIMES, Apr. 20, 2012
- *Minister left to ponder ‘Kilborn ultimatum’ on debt*, IRISH EXAMINER, Apr. 20, 2012
- *Expert warns insolvency proposals will not be enough*, SUNDAY BUS. POST, Apr. 22, 2012
- *Bankruptcy expert calls for legislation on debt forgiveness*, IRISH TIMES, Mon., Apr. 23, 2012
- Statement by Minister Joan Burton in the Seanad (Irish Senate), Apr. 30, 2012
- *Professor delivers ‘Kilborn ultimatum’*, CHICAGO DAILY LAW BULLETIN, May 2, 2012

**Southeastern Bankruptcy Law Institute Luncheon**, Georgia State Univ. College of Law, Atlanta, GA, faculty presentation, Intro to Islamic Law and Bankruptcy (Apr. 5, 2012)

**DePaul Bus. & Commercial L. J. Symposium: Recent Developments in UCC Article 9**, Chicago, IL, panelist, Perfecting and Maintaining Perfection in Article 9 Security Interests Under the 2010 Amendments: New Sections 9-503 and 9-316 (Feb. 17, 2012); transcript published at 10 DEPAUL BUS. & COMM. L.J. 461 (2012)

**Michigan State Univ. College of Law**, Lansing, MI, paper presentation, Intro to Islamic Law and Bankruptcy (Feb. 1, 2012)

**23rd Annual ABI Winter Leadership Conference**, La Quinta, CA, panel moderator, consumer fraud (Dec. 2, 2011)

**World Bank Working Group on the Treatment of the Insolvency of Natural Persons**, meeting on Draft Report on the Treatment of Insolvency of Natural Persons, conference organizer and chair of drafting committee (Nov. 17-18, 2011)

**World Bank Law, Justice and Development Week 2011**, Washington, DC, organizer and speaker for morning sessions on Regulation of the Insolvency of Natural Persons, Nov. 17, 2011

**ABI 7th Annual Detroit Consumer Bankruptcy Conference**, Detroit, MI, keynote presentation, “The Worldwide Reach of U.S. Consumer Bankruptcy Law” (Nov. 11, 2011)

**JMLS Faculty Works-In-Progress Scholarship Roundtable**, Chicago, IL, Paper: Foundations of Forgiveness in Islamic Bankruptcy Law: Sources, Methodology, Diversity (Sept. 26, 2011)

**INSOL Europe Eastern European Countries Committee Conf.**, Tallinn, Estonia, presentation, “Insolvency in the Virtual World Influencing the Real World and Society” (May 28, 2011)

**Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen**, Nijmegen, the Netherlands, special guest class on comparative consumer bankruptcy (Apr. 21, 2011)

**Univ. of Alabama-DePaul University School of Law class**, “Offshore Financial Centers: Cayman Islands,” invited lecture on cross-border bankruptcy and U.S. cooperation with Cayman hedge fund insolvency administration (Mar. 12, 2011)

- World Bank, Insolvency and Creditor/Debtor Regimes Task Force Meeting**, Washington, D.C., U.S./Europe panel presenter, “Best Practices in the Insolvency of Natural Persons” (Jan. 11, 2011)
- Radboud University Nijmegen, Nijmegen, the Netherlands, Inaugural Lecture upon assumption of the Van der Grinten Chair in International and Comparative Insolvency Law**, “Expert Recommendations and the Evolution of European Best Practices for the Treatment of Overindebtedness, 1984-2010” (Nov. 22, 2010)
- Social Science Research Center Berlin (Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin für Sozialforschung) Conference**, “Never Waste a Good Crisis: The Social Policy Dimension of Regulatory Crisis Management in the EU and the US,” Berlin, Germany, Paper: Still Chasing Chimeras But Finally Slaying Some Dragons in the Quest for Consumer Bankruptcy Reform (Nov. 20, 2010)
- Illinois Institute of Technology**, Chicago, IL, invited guest lecture in class History of Middle East, Part I, “Introduction to *Shari'a* and Islamic Finance,” (Nov. 17, 2010)
- JMLS Faculty Works-In-Progress Scholarship Roundtable**, Chicago, IL, Paper: Expert Recommendations and the Evolution of European Best Practices for the Treatment of Overindebtedness, 1984-2010 (Oct. 21, 2010)
- Thomas Jefferson School of Law online LL.M. course**, “International and Comparative Bankruptcy,” invited guest lecture, overview of world business bankruptcy laws and consumer insolvency emergence and development in Europe/U.S. (June 27, 2010)
- JMLS Center for Int'l Law CLE lecture**, Chicago, IL: Unraveling Misperceptions and Building Understanding: A Basic Introduction to Islamic Law and Islamic Finance (April 14, 2010)
- Univ. of Illinois-DePaul University School of Law class**, “Offshore Financial Centers: Cayman Islands,” invited lecture on cross-border bankruptcy and U.S. cooperation with Cayman hedge fund insolvency administration (Mar. 13, 2010)
- University of Connecticut School of Law, Insurance Law Center Conf.**, “Consumer Finance Post-Apartheid: The South African Experience,” panel, “Consumer Bankruptcy: A Comparative Perspective” (Nov. 21, 2009)
- ABA CLE Teleconference**, “The Bankruptcy Bailout,” moderator (Aug. 19, 2009)
- INSOL International 8th World Congress**, Vancouver, Canada, Panel: How Poor Are You? Means Testing for Insolvent Individuals (June 24, 2009)
- Chemnitz University of Technology, Dep. of Sociology Conf.**, **Overindebtedness: Everyday Risk in Modern Societies? Theoretical Aspects and Empirical Findings in Int'l Perspective**, Chemnitz, Germany, Paper: Consumer Bankruptcy Reforms in Denmark and U.S.A. (Mar. 27, 2009) (also moderated panel on Overindebtedness and Private Bankruptcy in International Perspective)
- JMLS Faculty Works-In-Progress Scholarship Roundtable**, Chicago, IL, Paper: Territorial and Universal Perspectives on Value Sharing in International Insolvency Cases (Sept. 18, 2008)
- University of Houston Center for Consumer Law Conference, Teaching Consumer Law**, Houston, TX, Presentation: Bankruptcy Update (May 23, 2008)
- Harvard University-University of Texas Conference “Commercial Law Realities,”** Cambridge, MA, Presentation: Empirical Data on European Debtors in Consumer Insolvency (Feb. 29, 2008)

- JMLS Faculty Works-In-Progress Scholarship Roundtable**, Chicago, IL, Paper:  
Comparative Cause and Effect: Consumer Insolvency and the Eroding Social Safety Net  
(Jan. 31, 2008)
- Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education, Seminar: Secured Transactions:  
Documentation & Enforcement Under Article 9**, Chicago, IL, Presentation: Special  
Topics: Equipment Leasing & Other Types of Collateral (Jan. 16, 2008)
- AALS Section on Creditors' and Debtors' Rights Mtg**, Orlando, FL, Panel Presentation:  
Learning and Teaching International and Comparative Insolvency Law (Oct. 13, 2007)
- Law & Society Association Annual Meeting**, Berlin, Germany, Paper: Comparative  
Cause and Effect: Consumer Insolvency and the Eroding Social Safety Net (July 26, 2007)
- Third Annual Consumer Bankruptcy Practice Seminar**, Galveston, TX, Presentation:  
Chapter 13: What Works and What Doesn't—What do the Numbers Show (June 28, 2007)
- University of Texas-Harvard University Conference "Commercial Law Realities,"**  
Austin, TX, Paper: U.S. Implications of 2006 Reform of Swedish Consumer Bankruptcy  
Law (April 14, 2007)
- Law & Society Association Annual Mtg.**, Baltimore, MD, Roundtable Participant:  
Comparative Perspectives on Prevention and Treatment of Overindebtedness (July 9,  
2006)
- INSOL International Annual Regional Conference, Academics Meeting**, Scottsdale,  
AZ, Paper: Consumer Bankruptcy Reform in the U.S. and the Netherlands (May 20, 2006)
- University of Houston Center for Consumer Law Conf., Teaching Consumer Law**,  
Houston, TX, Panel: Classroom Benefits of a Comparative Perspective on Consumer  
Bankruptcy (May 19, 2006)
- Harvard University-University of Texas Conference "Commercial Law Realities,"**  
Cambridge, MA, Paper: Consumer Bankruptcy Reform, U.S., Netherlands, Sweden (April  
28, 2006)
- Working paper presentation, University of San Diego School of Law:** Consumer  
Bankruptcy Reform in the U.S. and the Netherlands (Sept. 16, 2005)
- Professional Development Workshop "Bankruptcy Reform Legislation,"** Louisiana  
Bankers Association, Monroe, LA (Sept. 14, 2005)
- Cegla Center Conference "Personal Bankruptcy in the 21st Century: Emerging  
Trends and New Challenges,"** Tel-Aviv University, Tel-Aviv, Israel, Paper: Behavioral  
Economics and Comparative Consumer Bankruptcy (June 5-8, 2005)
- Presentation by teleconference to graduate-level course, Univ. de los Andes**, Bogotá,  
Colombia: Developments in consumer bankruptcy in Europe, U.S., and South America  
(May 20, 2005)
- Presentation to litigation group, McGlinchey Stafford PLLC**, Baton Rouge, LA:  
Bankruptcy Reform Act issues of interest to litigators (May 13, 2005)
- International Association of Consumer Law Annual Conference**, Lima, Peru, Paper:  
Consumer Bankruptcy in Belgium and Luxembourg (May 6, 2005)
- Joint University of Texas-Harvard University Conference "Commercial Law  
Realities,"** Austin, TX, Paper: Consumer Bankruptcy in Belgium and Luxembourg (April  
8, 2005)
- Symposium, Bicentenary of French Civil Code, "Civil Law Systems and Consumers,"**  
LSU Law Center, Baton Rouge, LA (Sept. 7, 2004), published at 51 LOYOLA L. REV. 11  
(2005)
- Presentation to the Baton Rouge Bankruptcy Bar Association:** "Means Testing" and  
other current bankruptcy reform developments (April 1, 2003)

**Professional**

**Associations:** International Insolvency Institute (elected member, <http://www.iiiglobal.org/user/488>)

Ass'n of American Law Schools, Section on Creditors' and Debtors' Rights

- Chair 2009; Chair Elect 2008; Secretary/Treasurer 2006-07; Treasurer 2005

Louisiana State Law Institute, UCC Committee, member, 2001-2007

Admitted in New York (retired), District of Columbia (inactive), U.S. Court of Appeals 3rd Cir., U.S. District Courts for Southern and Eastern Districts of New York and District of Maryland

**Honors:**

**Columbia University Academic Freedom Council** inaugural Academic Freedom Prize, [www.columbia-academic-freedom.org/academic-freedom-prize-and-conference](http://www.columbia-academic-freedom.org/academic-freedom-prize-and-conference) (Sept. 2025)