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EMPLOYMENT

William S. Boyd School of Law, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV

San Manuel Band of Mission Indians Professor of Law

Faculty Director, Indian Nations Gaming & Governance Program

Associate Director, Program on Race, Gender & Policing

2021-present

Professor of Law

2018-2021

Associate Professor of Law

2011-2018

- Courses: Federal Indian Law; Criminal Law; Civil Rights; Critical Race Theory; Tribal Law Practicum; Law & Inequality: Policing, Protest & Reform
- Service: Retention, Promotion & Tenure Committee (chair); Curriculum Committee; Honor Code Committee (chair); Appointments Committee; elected Dean's Advisory Committee; Faculty Senate (Academic Freedom & Ethics Committee; Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee); American Indian Alliance; graduate college committees: Margaret Huettl (Ph.D., History), Doris Morgan Rueda (Ph.D., History), Sahar B. Zavareh (M.A., Water Resources Management)

University of Washington School of Law, Seattle, WA

Winter-Spring 2021

Visiting Professor

- Courses: American Indian Law; Criminal Law; Introduction to Perspectives on the Law (discussion leader)

UCLA School of Law, Los Angeles, CA

Critical Race Studies Law Teaching Fellow

2009-2011

- Courses: Critical Race Theory; Indigenous Peoples, Race & American Law
- Service: Faculty co-chair for Fifth Annual CRS Symposium on Race & Sovereignty. Organized lecture series on Critical Race Theory in Native American Communities

Sonosky, Chambers, Sachse, Endreson & Perry, LLP, Washington, DC

Attorney

2004-2008

- Chaired legislative coalition on criminal and juvenile justice reform (Tribal Law and Order Act and Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act)
- Lead attorney in two claims against Bureau of Indian Affairs to restore funding for operation and maintenance of tribal detention facilities
- Lead associate in successful D.C. Circuit litigation concerning definition of "initial reservation" under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act and several cases involving tribal-state taxation disputes

American University, Washington Internships for Native Students, Washington, DC

2005

Adjunct Professor (Formation of Federal Indian Policy)

Native Village of Barrow Iñupiat Traditional Government, Utqiagvik, Alaska, Consultant

2003-2004

UCLA Tribal Legal Development Clinic, Los Angeles, California, Project Supervisor

2003-2004

Native American Rights Fund, Anchorage, Alaska, Law Clerk

2003

Tribal Law and Policy Institute, West Hollywood, California, Legislation Clerk

2002-2003

EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles, M.A., American Indian Studies, 2007

- Thesis: Developing a Tribal Juvenile Justice System: A Case Study in the Native Village of Barrow

UCLA School of Law, J.D. with Concentration in Critical Race Studies, 2004

- Program in Public Interest Law & Policy; founding Editorial Board, Indigenous Peoples' Journal of Law, Culture & Resistance; Women Lawyers' Association of L.A. Fran Kandel Public Action Grant

Oberlin College, B.A. with High Honors, Sociology, 1999

- Thesis: Sex, Anger, and Silence in the Lives of Adolescent Girls: Implications for Delinquency Prevention
- Comfort Starr Prize in Sociology; National Merit Scholar. Bonner Scholar; Jerome Davis Research Award

Articles & Essays

Race AND Gender AND Policing, __ NEVADA L. J. __ (forthcoming 2021) (with Frank Rudy Cooper & Stewart Chang)

Removal, Confinement, Assimilation & Discipline: Native Girls and Government Intervention in Symposium: Strengthened Bonds: Abolishing the Child Welfare System and Re-Envisioning Child Well-Being, COLUMBIA J. OF RACE & L. (forthcoming 2021)

Defending White Space, 40 CARDOZO L. REV. 1639 (2019)

Resilience and Native Girls: A Critique, 2018 B.Y.U. L. REV. 1407

Native Youth and Juvenile Injustice in South Dakota, 62 SOUTH DAKOTA L. REV. 705 (2017)

Racial Anxieties in Adoption: Reflections on Adoptive Couple, White Parenthood, and Constitutional Challenges to the ICWA, 2017 MICH. STATE L. REV. 727 (with Kim Hai Pearson)

Untangling the Web: Juvenile Justice in Indian Country, 19 N.Y.U. J. OF LEG. & PUB. POL'Y. 49 (2016)

Locked Up: Fear, Racism, Prison Economics, and the Incarceration of Native Youth, 40 AM. INDIAN CULTURE & RES. J. 55 (2016)

Recentering Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction, 63 U.C.L.A. L. REV. 1638 (2016)

Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction Beyond Citizenship and Blood, 39 AMER. INDIAN L. REV. 337 (2016)

The Promise of Mancari: Indian Political Rights as Racial Remedy, 86 N.Y.U. L. REV. 958 (2011) (awarded Honorable Mention for the John Hope Franklin Prize by the Law & Society Association)

Chapters

State v. Williams Rewritten in FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: CRIMINAL LAW (Capers, Deer, Rayburn Yung, eds., Cambridge Univ. Press (forthcoming))

Rice v. Cayetano Rewritten in CRITICAL RACE JUDGMENTS: REWRITTEN U.S. COURT OPINIONS ON RACE AND LAW, Capers, Carbadó, Lenhardt & Onwuachi-Willig, eds., Cambridge Univ. Press (forthcoming)

Indigenous Children in THE OXFORD HANDBOOK OF CHILDREN'S RIGHTS LAW, Jonathan Todres & Shani M. King, eds., Oxford Univ. Press (2020)

COMMITTEE SERVICE & CONSULTING

Member, National Academies of Science, Engineering & Medicine Ad Hoc Committee on Reducing Racial Inequalities in the Criminal Justice System (2020-present)

Consultant, Association on American Indian Affairs Study on Tribal Juvenile Justice (2020-2021)

Consultant, National Crittenton Foundation/National Girls Initiative Study on Native Girls and Juvenile Justice (2016-2017)

BRIEFS, REPORTS & EXPERT TESTIMONY

Brief of Nevada Law Professors as Amicus Curiae in Support of Reversal, Vanisi v. Gittere, Case 78209 (Nev., filed Oct. 3,

2019) (primary author)

Senate Committee in Indian Affairs Oversight Hearing on Juvenile Justice in Indian Country, Washington, D.C., September 26, 2018

Brief of National Congress of American Indians as Amicus Curiae in Support of Appellant Daniel T. Bailey and Favoring Reversal, Kelsey v. Pope, Case 14-1537 (6th Cir., filed Nov. 5, 2015) (co-counsel)

Senate Committee on Indian Affairs Oversight Hearing on Juvenile Justice in Indian Country: Challenges and Promising Strategies, Washington, D.C., July 15, 2015

Attorney General's Task Force on American Indian and Alaska Native Children Exposed to Violence, Hearing on the Juvenile Justice System's Response, Scottsdale, AZ, February 11, 2014

A Tangled Web of Justice: American Indian and Alaska Native Youth in Federal, State, and Tribal Justice Systems, Campaign for Youth Justice, July 2008 (with Neelum Arya)

MEDIA & BLOGS

Authored

- Nevada Criminal Justice Reform Bill Falls Far Short (Nevada Independent), Aug. 1, 2020
- Police Tensions Have Long Simmered in Las Vegas (Las Vegas Review Journal), Jun. 13, 2020
- Death Penalty Unfit for the Mentally Ill (Las Vegas Sun), Mar. 16, 2020
- Lecture Preview: Race and Self-Defense Killings (UNLV News Center), Apr. 13, 2015
- Expansions to Nevada's Self-Defense Law are Unnecessary and Dangerous (Las Vegas Sun), Mar. 15, 2015
- Adoptive Couple v. Baby Girl (1 of 4): Why the Court's ICWA Ruling Matters (PrawfsBlawg), Jun. 29, 2013
- Adoptive Couple v. Baby Girl (2 of 4): 3/256ths Cherokee? (PrawfsBlawg), Jun. 30, 2013
- Adoptive Couple v. Baby Girl (3 of 4): On the Portrayal of Dusten Brown as a Deadbeat Dad (PrawfsBlawg), Jun. 30, 2013
- Adoptive Couple v. Baby Girl (4 of 4): Whiteness and Ideal Parenthood (PrawfsBlawg), Jun. 1, 2013
- Why Salazar v. Ramah Navajo Chapter is More than Simply a Federal Contracting Case (PrawfsBlawg), Jun. 28, 2012
- Rewriting the End of a Sovereignty Story: Santa Clara Pueblo Members Vote to Change Patrilineal Membership Rule (PrawfsBlawg), Jun. 18, 2012

Quoted or profiled

- Las Vegas Tourists Could Feel Less Safe After Metro Officers Not Charged in Death, Law Prof Says (Casino.org), May 25, 2021
- In Nevada Town, A Racist Past Cries Out – Every Day (Las Vegas Review Journal), May 15, 2021
- The Unique Problems Facing Native American Youths in the Criminal Justice System (Slate), Oct. 19, 2020
- Native Youth Navigate Complex, Contradictory Jurisdictions (Cronkite News), Sep. 1, 2020
- Forced Assimilation Fed School to Prison Pipeline (Indian Country Today), Aug. 17, 2020
- Your First Amendment Rights as a Protestor (Nevada Independent), Jul. 1, 2020
- Nevada's 27 Tribal Nations Say They Were Left Behind Amid Pandemic (Las Vegas Review Journal), Jun. 24, 2020
- Tribe Member Charged with Murder in Nevada Girl's January Death (Las Vegas Review Journal), Aug. 29, 2019
- Native American Students Want Hey Reb Statue Removed (Las Vegas Review Journal), Aug. 23, 2019
- 1 of 19 Nevada Tribes Will Have Access to the FBI's Sex Offender Registry (Las Vegas Review Journal), Jul. 22, 2019
- Devontre Thomas is 19. He Could Face a Year in Prison. For a Gram of Marijuana. How Could This Happen in Oregon? (Willamette Week), Jul. 26, 2016
- Tragic Misunderstanding Leads to Shooting Death Through Door (Las Vegas Review Journal), Dec. 28, 2015
- Juvenile Justice System Fails Native Americans, Studies Show (NPR's All Things Considered), Jul. 31 2015
- No Jail Time for Troubled Kids: Radical Fixes for Juvenile Justice (Indian Country Today Media Network), Jul. 24, 2015
- Feds and Tribes Work Toward Juvenile Justice (The Durango Herald), Jul. 15, 2015
- Reports: Juvenile Justice System Fails Native Youth (Fronteras: The Changing America Desk), Jun. 30, 2015
- Juvenile Justice in Native America (Native America Calling), Jun. 11, 2015
- Race and Self-Defense (Top of Mind with Julie Rose, BYU Radio), Jun. 4, 2015

- Trayvon Martin Verdict Echoes in Las Vegas (KNPR's State of Nevada), Jul. 17, 2013
- Death Penalty One Year After Troy Davis & Trayvon Martin, Our Own Voices Live, Sep. 22, 2012
- Trayvon Martin Tragedy Reverberates in Nevada (Las Vegas Sun), Apr. 11, 2012
- Trayvon Martin Case Has Some Looking at Nevada's New Self-Defense Law (Las Vegas Sun), Apr. 1, 2012
- Indian Tribe, Developer in Tug-of-War over Grand Canyon Skywalk (Reuters), Mar. 18, 2012
- How Floyd Mayweather Avoided a Knockout in Court (The Legal Blitz), Jan. 26, 2012

CONFERENCES, PRESENTATIONS & TRAININGS

Organizer

- Doing Justice: Race, Reform & New Strategies in Criminal Law (conference co-chair, moderator), UNLV Law, Apr. 2019
- Fifth Annual Critical Race Studies Symposium: Race and Sovereignty (conference co-chair, panelist), UCLA School of Law, Mar. 2011
- Race and Self-Defense Law: Beyond Trayvon Martin and Michael Brown, UNLV University Forum Lecture, Apr. 30, 2015
- The President and the Pipeline (organizer, panelist), UNLV Law, Sep. 2016
- Water Protectors: Activism and Social Change, UNLV Law, Nov. 2016
- Roundtable on Legislating Belonging, AALS Section on Law & Anthropology Annual Meeting (organizer, panelist), Feb. 2015
- Roundtable on Race, Sovereignty & Citizenship, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (organizer, moderator), May 2010

Invited Speaker

- The Execution of Lezmond Mitchell: Disdain for Life and Sovereignty UCLA Native Nations Law & Policy Center, Red Rising Series, Sep 2020
- Internment: Now & Then, The Ohio State University Center for Ethnic Studies, Nov. 2019
- Why Are They Always Calling the Cops on Me?, 25th Annual National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement Conference, Detroit, MI, Sep. 2019 & Los Angeles County Civilian Oversight Commission Conference, Community Policing in Los Angeles County – A Vision for the Future, Los Angeles, CA, Oct. 2018
- American Indian Youth and Juvenile Justice: Working with Tribal Nations in State Courts, National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Meeting, Reno, NV, Jun. 2019 & National Conference of Juvenile Court and Family Judges Conference, Las Vegas, NV, Mar. 2019
- Punishing Resistance, Withholding Protection: An Account of Native Youth, Violence & Civil Rights in Border Towns, 50 Years of the Indian Civil Rights Act, University of New Mexico, Mar. 2018
- Resilience and Native Nations, B.Y.U. Law Review Symposium, Mar. 2018
- Claiming the Narrative: The Injustice of Race-Based Policing, National Juvenile Defender Leadership Summit, Albuquerque, NM, Oct. 2017
- Resistance and Response at Standing Rock, Oberlin College, Mar. 2017
- Symposium on Juvenile Justice, South Dakota Law Review Symposium, Sep. 2016
- Resisting Invisibility: Native Girls and Juvenile Justice, National Girls Initiative Roundtable on Native Girls, St. Paul, MN, Aug. 2016
- The Realities of Mass Incarceration in America Today, University of LaVerne Symposium, Apr. 2016
- The Indian Child Welfare Act: Old and New Challenges, University South Dakota Symposium, Mar. 2016
- The Next Frontier in Federal Indian Law: Building on the Foundational Work of Carole E. Goldberg, UCLA Law Review Symposium, Jan. 2016
- A Roadmap for Making Native America Safer, UCLA American Indian Studies Center, Jan. 24, 2014
- Preserving *Morton v. Mancari's* Dynamic Legacy, 38th Annual Federal Bar Association Indian Law Conference, Apr. 11, 2013
- CRT in Realtime: Juvenile Justice, Critical Race Studies at 10: Building Our Home, UCLA School of Law, Mar. 8, 2013
- Righting Wrongs in the Context of Superdiversity: The Possibilities and Limitations of Law, Superdiversity California Style: New Approaches to Race, Civil Rights, Governance and Cultural Production (UCLA Institute of American Cultures Inaugural Conference), Mar. 1, 2013
- Race Undercover: Unpacking the Trayvon Martin Tragedy, UCLA School of Law, Oct. 2, 2013
- Standing Our Ground for Trayvon Martin, African American Policy Forum National Roundtable, Jul. 18, 2013
- Profiling, Protection and Prevention: What if it was Your Child?, UNLV Law, Apr. 2012
- Plenary Panel on New Paradigms of Racialization? Race, Citizenship, Indigeneity, Immigration (Post-Jim Crow),

AALS Mid-Year Meeting, Workshop on Post Racial Civil Rights Law, Politics and Legal Education: New and Old Color Lines in the Age of Obama, Jun. 2010

Presentations

When Law Fails to Protect: Resistance and Response at Standing Rock, presented at:

- Association for the Study of Law, Culture & Humanities Annual Conference, Stanford, Apr. 2007
- Living Under Colonialism: The Dakota Access Pipeline, UNLV Department of Anthropology, Apr. 2017

The Promise of *Mancari*: Indian Political Rights as Racial Remedy, presented at:

- UCLA School of Law, CRT and Native American Communities Speaker Series, Jan. 2010
- UC Berkeley School of Law, Seminar on Critical Race Theory, Nov. 2009

Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction Beyond Citizenship and Blood, presented at:

- Rocky Mountain Junior Scholars Forum, University of Utah School of Law, Sep. 2012
- University of New Mexico School of Law, Feb. 2013
- UNLV Law, Sep. 2013
- Indian Law Junior Scholars Forum, UCLA School of Law, Jul. 2013
- University of Colorado, Boulder, Feb. 2014

Racial Anxieties in Adoption, presented at:

- AALS Mid-Year Meeting on Family Law, Jun. 2015
- Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, May 2015

Defending White Space, presented at:

- UCLA School of Law, Advanced Critical Race Theory Seminar, Fall 2018
- WLPOC/CAPALF Conference, Las Vegas, NV, Oct. 2018
- Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University, Sep. 2018
- Southwest Criminal Law Workshop, UNLV, Nov. 2016
- University of New Mexico School of Law, Feb. 2017
- J. Reuben Clark Law School, BYU, Feb. 2016
- AALS Mid-Year Meeting, Workshop on Poverty, Immigration and Property, Jun. 2013
- Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, May 2013

Presentations on juvenile justice in Indian country:

- National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Meeting, Kansas City, MO, Jun. 2018
- Know Her Truths Conference, Anna Julia Cooper Center, Apr. 2016
- National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Meeting, Saint Paul, MN, Jun. 30, 2015
- Southwest Criminal Law Workshop, UNLV Law, Sep. 2012
- Race and Criminal Justice in the West, Gonzaga University, Sep. 24, 2011
- National Indian Child Welfare Association 27th Annual Protecting Our Children National American Indian Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, Apr. 2009
- National Congress of American Indians Third Annual Tribal Leader/Scholar Forum, Jun. 2008

Disciplining and Assimilating Native Girls: A Brief History of Four Systems, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, Jun. 2018

The Meaning (or Meaninglessness) of Indigeneity under U.S. Law, Native American and Indigenous Studies Association Annual Conference, Los Angeles, May 2018

Roundtable on “Whiteness as Property” and Multiracial Identity, 7th Annual Critical Race Studies Symposium: Whiteness as Property: A Twenty Year Appraisal, UCLA School of Law, Oct. 4, 2014

Teaching Identity in Post-Identity Classrooms, SALT 2014 Annual Meeting, UNLV, Oct. 2014

Workshop on Race & Indigeneity in Australia and the United States, UCLA School of Law, Oct. 2013

More Than a Race, Not Quite a Tribe: How Federal Law Dismantles Native Hawaiian Indigeneity, Unlearning the American Pacific: A Symposium on Anti-Colonial Pedagogies, UCLA Asian American Studies Dep’t, Apr. 2009

Sex, Anger, and Silence in the Lives of Adolescent Girls: Implications for Delinquency Prevention, presented at Thinking Gender Conference, UCLA Center for the Study of Women, April 2001

Moderator

- Police De-Escalation: Reducing Force and Building Community Trust, Mob Museum, Las Vegas, Nov. 2019
- Nevada's Death Penalty: Can We Live Without It?, UNLV Law, Sep. 2012
- Over-Policed and Under-Protected: Women, Race and Criminalization, UCLA Symposium, Jan. 27, 2012
- Workshop on Race & Extra-Constitutional Status, 4th Annual CRS Symposium: Intersectionality: Challenging Theory, Reframing Politics, Transforming Movements (moderator), UCLA Law, Mar. 2010
- Individuals, the Collective, and Democracy: Race, Class, Gender, Disability, and Individual Employee Rights, Democracy and the Workplace, UNLV Saltman Center for Conflict Resolution Symposium, Feb. 2012

Legislative, Judicial & CLE Trainings

- Juvenile Justice: Best Practices, Nevada Attorney General's Office, Las Vegas, NV, Jun. 2019
- Pro Bono Work to Empower and Represent Act of 2018 – Maximizing Local Impact, Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada, Las Vegas, NV, Jun. 2019
- Tribal Sovereignty 101, Women Empowering Women for Indigenous Nations (WEWIN) Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV, Aug. 19, 2014
- Tribal Code Development: TLOA, VAWA, and Non-Indians, National Tribal Judicial Center, National Judicial College, Feb. 24, 2014
- The Protective Power of Sovereignty: New Developments with the Violence Against Women Act, Tribal Rights, Sovereignty & Economic Development, Law Seminars International, Las Vegas, NV, Oct. 10, 2013
- The Making of a Constitution: What About Individual Rights? presented at Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement's Constitutional Symposium, Feb. 2004
- Civil Procedure and Rules of Court, Native Village of Barrow Judicial Training, Apr. 2003
- Establishing a Children's Court System, Orutsararmuit Native Council Judicial Training, Nov. 2002
- Children's Court Process, Native Village of Barrow Judicial Training, October 2002
- Creation of a Judiciary, Native Village of Barrow Judicial Training, October 2002
- Juvenile Court Process, Native Village of Barrow Judicial Training, April 2002

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES, BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Bar and Court Admissions: California, Nevada (clinical faculty member under Rule 49.1), District of Columbia (2006-2012), United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, United State Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

AALS Section on Native Nations & Indigenous Peoples (chair, 2020; board member, 2016-2019, 2021); AALS Section on Law & Anthropology (chair, 2014; board member 2013, 2015-2017); HIPS, Washington, DC (board member, 2006-2014, including a term as chair)

Professional Memberships: Law & Society Association, Native American & Indigenous Studies Association