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**The Honorable Arleigh M. Woods and William T. Woods Chair**  
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## **CURRENT EMPLOYMENT**

### **Southwestern Law School (1980 to present)**

#### **Positions Held**

Professor of Law (1984 to present).  
Co-Director of the Moot Court Honors Program (2017-present); Co-Faculty Advisor (2011-2014); Faculty Advisor (2006-10).  
Director of the Criminal Law Concentration (2018-present).  
Co-Director of the Evening Program (2020-present).  
Vice Dean (2014-16).  
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs (1988-97).  
Associate Dean/Dean of Students (1984-88).  
Associate Professor of Law (1980-84).

#### **Subjects Taught**

Criminal Law, Sex Crimes and Intimate Violence Seminar, Appellate Advocacy Honors Program, Criminal Defenses in the Law, Criminal Procedure, Real Property, Women in the Law.

#### **Professorships, Honors, and Awards**

Named The Honorable Arleigh M. and William T. Woods Chair (2021-present).  
Named The Honorable Arleigh M. and William T. Woods Professor of Law (2015-2021).  
Elected Graduation Grand Marshall by the graduating students (2020, 2019, 2018, 2015, 1998)  
Recipient of Excellence in Teaching Award (2021, 2016, 1998).  
National Jurist Award, *Among 25 Most Influential People in Legal Education* (2017, 2015, 2014, 2013).  
Southwestern Law School Alumna of the Year (2013).  
Irving D. and Florence Rosenberg Professor of Law (2012-13; 1995-96).  
Women Law Students' Association Professor of the Year (2010).  
Justice Marshall F. McComb Professor of Law (2006-07).  
Irwin R. Buchalter Professor of Law (2004-05).  
Recipient of Excellence in Teaching Award (2001).

#### **Significant Assignments**

*Ad Hoc* Status and Equity Task Force (Co-chair 2022-23).  
Dean's Advisory Committee (2016-present, 20012-13; 2005-11).  
Dean Search Committee (2020-21; 2012-13).  
Tenure Committee (Vice-Chair 2014-16; Vice Chair 1988-97; member 1988-present).  
Self-Study Committee (Chair 2013-15; Chair 2006-08; member 2020-21; 1991-92).  
*Ad Hoc* Integrating Distance Education Methods (Chair 2019-20, member 2020-21).  
*Ad hoc* Hybrid-Online Committee (Chair 2017).  
Co-author of approved ABA variance application for Hybrid-Online Program.  
Placement Committee (Chair 2016, member 2017).  
Outcomes Assessment/WASC Steering Committee (Co-chair 2016).  
Strategic Planning and Self Study Committee (Chair 2013-15).  
Co-director Vancouver Summer Abroad Program (2013).  
Curriculum Committee (Chair 2002-04; member 2000-06, 2013-14).

## BOOKS

STEVEN FRIEDLAND, CATHERINE L. CARPENTER, KAMI SIMMONS, CATHERINE ARCA-BASCIO, CASES AND CONTEXT IN CRIMINAL LAW, Carolina Academic Press, Second ed. (2019).

## BOOK CHAPTERS

CATHERINE L. CARPENTER *in* CAUGHT IN THE WEB OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM: AUTISM, OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND NON-CONTACT SEX OFFENSES, *Navigating Judicial Responses for those Caught in the Web*, Dubin, Larry & Horowitz, Emily ed., Jessica Kingsley Publishers (2017).

## ARTICLES

Catherine L. Carpenter *Panicked Legislation*, 49 NOTRE DAME J. LEG. \_\_\_\_ (2023) (lead article).

Catherine L. Carpenter, *All Except For: Animus that Drives Exclusions in Criminal Justice Reform*, 50 SW. LAW REV. 1 (2020) (lead article).

Catherine L. Carpenter, *A Sign Of Hope: Shifting Attitudes On Sex Offense Registration Laws*, 47 SW. L. REV. 1 (2018) (lead article).

Catherine L. Carpenter, *Throwaway Children: The Tragic Consequences of a False Narrative* 45 SW. L. REV. 461 (2016) (lead article).

Catherine L. Carpenter, *Against Juvenile Sex Offender Registration*, 82 U. CIN. L. REV. 746 (2014).

Catherine L. Carpenter, *On Emotion, Juvenile Sex Offenders, and Mandatory Registration*, 3 J. RACE, GENDER, & POVERTY 29 (2013) (lead symposium article).

Catherine L. Carpenter & Amy Beverlin, *The Evolution of Unconstitutionality in Sex Offender Registration Laws*, 63 HASTINGS L. J. 1071 (2012).

Catherine L. Carpenter, Co-drafter and Editor, *A Survey of Law School Curricula: 2002-2010*, sponsored by the ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar (2012).

Catherine L. Carpenter, *Legislative Epidemics: A Cautionary Tale of Criminal Laws that Have Swept the Country*, 58 BUFF. L. REV. 1 (2010) (lead article).

Catherine L. Carpenter, *The Constitutionality of Strict Liability in Sex Offender Registration Laws*, 86 B.U. L. REV. 295 (2006).

Catherine L. Carpenter, Co-drafter, *A Survey of Law School Curricula: 1992-2002*, sponsored by the ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar (2004).

Catherine L. Carpenter, *On Statutory Rape, Strict Liability, and the Public Welfare Offense Model*, 53 AM. U. L. REV. 313 (2003).

Catherine L. Carpenter, *Of the Enemy Within, the Castle Doctrine, and Self-defense*, 86 MARQ. L. REV. 653 (2003) (lead article)

Catherine L. Carpenter, *The All or Nothing Doctrine in Criminal Cases: Independent Trial Strategy or Gamesmanship Gone Awry?* 26 AM. J. CRIM. L. 257 (1999), published at the University of Texas School of Law.

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

Catherine L. Carpenter, *in* 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL LAW SCHOOL SURVEY STUDENT ENGAGEMENT REPORT, *Foreword*, (November 2014).

Catherine L. Carpenter, *in* 81 BAR EXAMINER 6, *Recent Trends in Law School Curricula: Findings from the 2010 ABA Curriculum Survey*, (July 2012).

Catherine L. Carpenter, *Future Interests*, LAW SCHOOL LEGENDS AUDIO SERIES, (Thomson Reuters 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. 2008).

Randy Hertz et al., *Report of the Outcome Measures Committee* (ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar 2008).

Catherine L. Carpenter, *Recent Curricular Trends: What Bar Examiners May Want to Know*, 74 BAR EXAMINER 4 (November 2005).

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES**

### **American Law Institute** (elected member 2012)

Consultative Group - Revisions to Model Penal Code Sexual Assault and Related Offenses.

### **ABA Section of Legal Education on Admissions to the Bar**

Standards Review Committee (member 2010-16)

Accreditation Committee (Chair 2008-10; member 2004-08)

Curriculum Committee (Chair 2002-04; Chair 2010-12; Vice-Chair 1999-02)

Finance Committee (member 2010-12)

Foreign Programs Subcommittee (member 2010-13)

Special Committee on Outcome Measures (member 2008)

Law School Administration Committee (Chair 1996-99; member 1995-96)

ABA Site Evaluations (Chairperson and team member 1992 to present)

### **Consultant, USAID FAIR Project for the Ukraine Judiciary Program**

Served as external consultant to members of the Ukrainian government and judiciary in the establishment of a system of national accreditation and regulation for Ukrainian law schools (2015, 2014, 2012)

### **American Association of Law Schools**

Planning Committee Measuring Learning Outcomes (Chair 2014-15)

Curriculum Committee (2012-15)

Planning Committee for Workshop on Site Visits (2011, 2012, 2013, 2014)

AALS Reporter (2000)

### **Other Academic and Professional Activities and Affiliations**

Executive Director, Southwestern's Access to Restorative Justice Fund (ARJ).

President and Board Member, Alliance for Constitutional Sex Offenses (2015-present).

Board Member, Sex Offense Litigation and Policy Resource Center (housed at Mitchell Hamline School of Law) (2018-present).

Advisory Board Member, Kettering Foundation, Democracy and the Judicial System (2014-2018).

CALI Editorial Board (CEB) (2000-2010).

Consultant, University of North Texas Dallas (2017-present).

Guided deans and University through second provisional approval process and current full approval process.

Consultant, Lincoln Memorial Law School (2018-19).

Worked with law school on ABA compliance issue.  
Consultant, San Joaquin College of Law (2014).  
Worked with dean to assess possible application for ABA-approval.  
Consultant, Penn State University, Dickens School of Law (2013-14).  
Worked with law school on the split of two campuses.  
Advisor to the Dean, Santa Clara University School of Law (2013-14).  
Worked with new dean to assess organizational structure and administrative needs and structure.  
The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation (1995 to present).  
Stanford Curriculum Work Group (2007-10).  
Minnesota Office of Higher Education - Evaluator (2000, 2001).  
Kansas Board of Regents - Evaluator (1998).  
Southwestern Law School Board of Trustees (member 1982-86)  
Southwestern University Alumni Association (President 1982-83; member 1979-85)

## **PRESENTATIONS 2014-22**

Plenary speaker, *What to do When a Law is Based on a Lie?*, Alliance for Constitutional Sex Offenses Annual Conference, October 2022.

Presenter, *A Day in the Life of Site Visitors*, New Site Evaluators Workshop, ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, September 2022.

Presenter, *Examining Justice Involved in Registration Schemes*, Forensic Mental Health Association of California, April 2022.

Panel Presenter, *Animus in Criminal Justice Reform*, Symposium on Sex Offense Registration, The Ohio State University, February 2022.

Co-presenter, *Moral Panic and Civil Commitment*, Alliance for Constitutional Sex Offense Laws Annual Conference, September 2021.

Keynote speaker, *Statutory Rape: A Cautionary Tale for Boys and Girls*, Sexuality and the Sanctuary, Women of the Cloth, June 2021.

Plenary speaker, *All Except For Laws: Animus that Drives Exclusions in Criminal Justice Reform*, Alliance for Constitutional Sex Offenses Annual Conference, October 2020.

Co-presenter, *Preparing for Site Visits Using the New Templates*, New Site Evaluators Workshop, ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, October 2018.

Plenary Speaker, *Hope*, Alliance for Constitutional Sex Offenses Annual Conference, June 2018.

Panel presenter, *A Day in the Life of Site Visitors*, New Site Evaluators Workshop, ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, September 2017.

Keynote speaker, *Lessons from California's Bid for a Tiered Registry*, The New York Sex Offender Working Group, September 2017.

Keynote speaker, *The Child Scarlet Letter: Why Juvenile Sex Offense Registration Laws are Unjust*, Public Lecture, St. Francis College, September 2017.

Keynote speaker, *There is Hope: Tracking Recent Court Decisions in Sex Offender Registration Laws*, Alliance for Constitutional Sex Offense Laws Annual Conference, June 2017.

Keynote speaker, *More is Not Always Better: Why Sex Offender Registration Laws are Unconstitutional*, Illinois Voices for Reform, November 2016.

Keynote speaker, *The Unconstitutionality of Juvenile Sex Offender Registration and the Lessons Imparted for Adult Registration*, National Reform Sex Offender Laws Conference, September 2016.

Panel presenter, *Strict Liability, Statutory Rape and the Hold on Registration Laws*, National Reform Sex Offender Laws Conference, September 2016.

Retreat facilitator and speaker, *Contemplating St. Mary's Curriculum of the Future*, St. Mary's University School of Law, January 2016.

Panel presenter, *Throwaway Children: The Tragic Consequences of a False Narrative*, Southwestern Law School Symposium, *Sex on the Front Lines*, November 2015.

Panel presenter, *A Day in the Life of Site Visitors*, New Site Evaluators Workshop, ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, October 2015.

Speaker, *The Child Scarlett Letter*, Faculty Research Series, Southwestern Law School, October 2015.

Speaker, *Trends in Law School Curriculum for the Career Service Professional*, Legal Recruiters Association of Los Angeles, September 2015.

Panel Presenter and Chair of AALS Planning Committee, *The Language of Assessment*, AALS Workshop on Measuring Learning Gains, June 2015.

Vincent C. Immel Lecturer in Law, *Recent Trends in Law School Curriculum*, St. Louis University School of Law, March 2015.

Panel presenter, *The Child Scarlet Letter*, Symposium Honoring Professor Myrna Raeder, November 2014.

Panel presenter, *The Role of Data Collection in Legal Education*, LSSSE 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, November 2014.

Speaker, *The Role of Alumni in Strategic Planning*, Southwestern Alumni Board, September 2014.

Moderator, *How the Courts Failed Germany*, Lawyers without Rights, September 2014.

Panel presenter, *The Future of Legal Education*, St. Louis University School of Law, April 2014.

Panel presenter, *Innovations in Legal Education*, Joint ABA/AALS Panel, January 2014.

Panel presenter, *The AALS Reporter's Role in Membership Review*, AALS Workshop, AALS Annual Conference, January 2014.

## **SITE VISITS FOR ACCREDITING AGENCIES**

### **ABA Sabbatical and Provisional Accreditation Site Evaluations**

Vermont Law School (Fact Finder November 2021).

Capital Law School (March 2021).

Florida Coastal School of Law (Fact finder February 2019).

Mitchell/Hamline School of Law (Fact finder April 2016).

Lincoln Memorial University School of Law (Fact finder 2014).

Lincoln Memorial University School of Law (Chair 2013).

UDC David A. Clarke School of Law (Fact finder 2011).

Earle Mack School of Law at Drexel University (Chair 2010).

Judge Advocate General's Law School (Chair 2009).

UDC David A. Clarke School of Law (Chair 2008).

Faulkner University, Thomas Jones School of Law (Chair 2008).

Faulkner University, Thomas Jones School of Law (Chair 2007).

St. John's University School of Law (Chair 2004).

Catholic University School of Law (Chair 2002).

Hofstra University School of Law (Chair 2001).

Southern New England School of Law (Team Member 1999).

Orlando School of Law [Barry University] (Fact Finder 1998).

Orlando School of Law [Barry University] (Chair 1998).

Suffolk University School of Law (Chair 1997).

Nova Southeastern University School of Law (Chair 1996).

John Marshall Law School (Chair 1995).

De Paul University School of Law (Team Member 1995).

Roger Williams University School of Law (Team Member 1994).

Franklin Pierce Law School (Chair 1993).

St. Thomas University, Florida (Team Member 1993).

University of Houston (Team Member 1992).

### **ABA Semester and Summer Abroad Programs**

St. John's University, Summer Abroad Barcelona (2010).  
Louisiana State University, Summer Abroad Lyon (2008).  
Villanova University, Summer Abroad Rome (2007).  
University of San Diego, Summer Abroad Mexico City (2003).  
Detroit Mercy Law School, Summer Abroad Ottawa (2001).  
Temple University, Summer Abroad Tel Aviv (2000).  
Florida State University, Summer Abroad Prague (1999).  
Nova Southeastern, Summer Abroad Cambridge (1998).  
American University, Semester Abroad Hong Kong (1997).  
Baylor University, Summer Abroad Guadalajara (1996).  
University of Texas, Semester Abroad London (1995).

### **AALS and State Accrediting Evaluations**

Duquesne University School of Law (AALS Summarian 2000).  
St. Thomas University, Minnesota (Minnesota Board of Regents 2000, 2001).  
President's College (Kansas Board of Regents 1998).

## **EDUCATION**

### **Southwestern University School of Law**

Juris Doctor, *cum laude*, 1976

### **Honors and Awards**

Note and Comment Editor, Southwestern Law Review (1975-76).  
Dean's List (1975-76, 1974-75, 1973-74).  
Mabel Wilson Richards Scholarship (1975, 1976).  
Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award (1976).

### **University of California, Los Angeles English Department**

Bachelor of Arts, *cum laude*, 1973.  
Dean's List (1971, 1972, 1973).

Admitted to the California Bar 1976.