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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL

Dean and Bernard G. Segal Professor of Law (2000-present)

Robert G. Fuller, Jr. Professor of Law (1996-2000)

Visiting Professor, Department of Political Science, Swarthmore College (1999)

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs (1996-1998)

Professor of Law (1992-1996)

Associate Professor of Law (1990-1992 - with tenure)

Assistant Professor of Law (1985-1990)

OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, WASHINGTON, D.C.

Attorney Advisor (1981-1985) The Office of Legal Counsel serves as outside counsel to the President, White House, and Cabinet

HON. A. LEON HIGGINBOTHAM, JR., U.S. CIRCUIT JUDGE, U.S. COURT OF APPEALS, THIRD CIRCUIT

Law Clerk (1979-1981)

EDUCATION

YALE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, J.D. (1979)

Editor, Yale Law Journal

HARVARD COLLEGE, A.B. (1975)

Detur Prize

Phi Beta Kappa

Harvard National Scholar

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

President, American Law Deans Association/Society (Member, Board of Directors 2003-present; Vice-President 2009-11; President 2011-present)

Organizer & Convener, Sino-U.S. Law Deans Summit, Beijing, PRC (June 2011) (at the request of then US Ambassador to China, Jon Huntsman).

Chair, The Holmes Debates and Conference, Library of Congress (2004)

Co-Chair, American Bar Association Bi-Annual Development Conference (2005-2007; Member Organizing Committee, 2005-2010)

Member, American Bar Association Review Committees
-Reaccreditation Site Visiting Committees for University of Chicago (expected April 2012); Stanford Law School (2008); Boston College Law School (2006)
-Security of Position Drafting Committee (2008)

Member, American Political Science Association and APSA Study Group on Law and the Political Process (1992- present)

Member, American Law Institute (2000-present as Dean; 2009-present as public member)

Member of Organizing Committee and Faculty, New Deans Conference, ABA (2004-2008)

Member, Academic Advisory Board, Waseda Law School, Tokyo Japan (2004-present)

Member, Board of Directors, World Affairs Council (2005-2009)

Member, Academic Advisory Board, The Reinvestment Fund (2005-present)

Member, Law Deans Advisory Board on China (2006-present)

Member, Board of Advisors for the Skadden, Arps Honors Program in Legal Studies at The City College of New York (2008-present)

Member, Board of Directors, Leonard Davis Institute of Health Economics (2011-present)

Member, Committee of Seventy, Watchdog Citizens Group (1999-2008)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE AS DEAN

Dean since 2000, reappointed to 2nd term in 2006; reappointed for an unprecedented 3rd term in 2010

Since 2000, Law School academic program has grown substantially. In general outline, the standing faculty has grown close to 50%; student participation in joint programs tripled; clerkship placement increased 50%; endowment close to tripled; and over 50% of Law School campus rebuilt or completely renovated.

In 2011, named one of the “Nine Most Transformative US Law Deans” over the past decade. See Brian Leiter’s Law School Report, July 19, 2011.

Chair, Search Committee for Dean, School of Social Policy and Practice (2002-2003)

Chair, Search Committee for Dean, Graduate School of Education (2006-2007)

Member, Provost’s Staff Conference on University Promotion and Tenure (2000-2006; 2008-present)

Member, Advisory Board, The Field Center for Children’s Policy, Practice and Research (2004-present)

Member, Advisory Board, Penn Institute for Urban Research (2004-present)

LAW SCHOOL SERVICE AS PROFESSOR (1985-2000)

Chair, Law School Committees, including Appointments, Budget, Educational Program, Legal Studies, and Loan Forgiveness

Associate Dean (1996-1998)

Member, University Search Committee for Law School Dean (1988-89)

Member, Provost’s Committee on Academic Planning and Budgeting (1996-99)

NATIONAL ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Presented papers or given talks at various universities around the country, including Yale, Stanford, Michigan, Northwestern, Columbia and Georgetown, as well as annually at the American Political Science Association Convention

Member, Law and Political Process Study Group of American Political Science Association (1992-present)

PUBLICATIONS

In Memoriam: Bernard Wolfman, 125 Harv. L. Rev. 1893 (2012) (Part of Memoriam to Bernard Wolfman)

What Will Our Future Look Like and How Will We Respond?, 96 Iowa L. Rev. 1539 (2011) (Part of a Symposium on Rethinking Legal Education)

A Time-Honored Model for the Profession and the Academy, 158 U. Pa. L. Rev. 1289 (2010) (Part of a Tribute to Prof. Geoffrey C. Hazard, Jr.)

A Dean's Perspective on Ed Baker, 12 U. Pa. J. Const. L. 943 (2010) (Part of Memoriam to C. Edwin Baker)

The Non-Management Side of Academic Administration, 41 U. Tol. L. Rev. 283 (2010) (Part of Symposium on Leadership in Legal Education)

Forward: The Evolution of International Law, 30 U. Pa. J. Int. L. xix (2009) (Part of 20th Anniversary Issue of the Penn Journal of International Law)

Targeted Transparency, 7 Election Law Journal 137 (2008) (reviewing Archon Fung et al. FULL DISCLOSURE: THE PERILS AND PROMISE OF TRANSPARENCY (2007))

Back to the Future: The Supreme Court's Response to the Changing Goals and Functions of Modern Political Parties in THE SUPREME COURT AND THE ELECTORAL PROCESS (David Hope ed.) (2002)

The Complicated Ingredients of Wisdom and Leadership, 16 Harv. Bl.L.L.Rev. 17 (2000) (Part of Symposium on Work of A. Leon Higginbotham, Jr.)

The Hazards of Legal Fine Tuning: Confronting the Free Will Problem in Election Law Scholarship, 32 Loyola Law Review 1121 (1999) (Part of Symposium on Election Law as its own Field of Study)

The Legalization of the Modern Presidency: Twenty Five Years After Watergate, 43 St. Louis U. L.J. 725 (1999) (Part of Symposium on Watergate 25 years later)

Devins and Fitts, The Triumph of Timing: *Raines v. Byrd* and the Modern Supreme Court's Attempt to Control Constitutional Confrontations 86 Geo.L.J. 351 (1998)

The Foibles of Formalism: A Political "Transaction Cost" Analysis of Separation of Powers, 47 Case West L. Rev. 1643 (1998) (Part of Law and Political Science Symposium on Presidency)

The Paradox of Power in the Modern State: Why a Unitary Centralized Presidency May Not Exhibit Effective or Legitimate Leadership, 144 U.Pa.L.Rev. 827 (1996)

Review of Cox and McCubbins, LEGISLATIVE LEVIATHAN, 13 J. of Pol.Anal. and Mgmt. 811 (1994)

Review of Bruce Ackerman, WE THE PEOPLE, 12 Journal of Pol.Anal. and Mgmt. 223 (1993)

Ways of Thinking About the Unitary Executive, 15 Cardozo L.Rev. 323 (1993) (Part of Symposium on the Unitary Executive)

Review of Cass Sunstein, AFTER THE RIGHTS REVOLUTION - RECONCEIVING THE REGULATORY STATE, 11 Journal of Pol.Anal. and Mgmt. 332 (1992)

Fitts and Inman, Controlling Congress: Presidential Influence in Domestic Fiscal Policy, 80 Geo.L.J. 1737 (1992) (Part of Symposium on Law and Political Theory)

Review of James Fishkin, DEMOCRACY AND DELIBERATION, 10 Constit. Com. 194 (1992)

Can Ignorance Be Bliss? Imperfect Information as a Positive Influence in Political Institutions, 88 Mich.L.Rev.917 (1990)

Inman and Fitts, Political Institutions and Fiscal Policy: Evidence from the U.S. Historical Record, 6 J.L. Econ. & Org. 79 (1990) (Part of Yale Law School Symposium on Political Institutions)

Retaining the Rule of Law in a Chevron World, 66 Chi.Kent L.Rev.355 (1990) (Part of Symposium on Statutory Construction)

Look Before You Leap: Some Cautionary Notes on Civic Republicanism, 97 Yale L.J. 1651 (1988) (Part of Symposium on the Republican Civic Tradition)

The Vices of Virtue: A Political Party Perspective on Civic Virtue Reforms of the Legislative Process, 136 U. Pa. L.Rev. 1567 (1988)

WORKING PAPERS

Rethinking Separation of Powers from the Ground Up: The Political Dynamic of Separated Powers (U. Pa. Institute for Law and Economics) (Portions Presented at the Convention of the American Political Science Association) (148 pages)

Fitts and Inman, The Budgetary Effects of the Voting Rights Act: Did VRA Make a Difference? (U. Pa. Institute for Law and Economics) (Portions Presented at the Convention of the American Political Science Association) (42 pages)