



## **Selected Honors**

*Nominee for CLEO Edge Diversity Award, Diversity Council on Legal Education Opportunity, Inc. (2018)*

*Member, Ohio Attorney General Advisory Group on Diversity and Inclusion Initiatives (2016 – 2018)*

*Proclamation issued by the Mayor of the City of Cleveland celebrating my appointment as Associate Dean (Jan 2016)*

*Invited Speaker, Oxford Global Health and Bioethics International Conference, Oxford, England (2015)*

*Book Proposal Reviewer, Oxford University Press, (2013)*

*Book Proposal Reviewer, Cambridge University Press, (2011)*

## **Associate Dean Selected Service (<http://law.case.edu/Our-School/Diversity-Inclusion>)**

Third Year (2017 -2018)

- Increasing Diversity and Inclusion
  - Planned and hosted 26<sup>th</sup> annual Midwestern People of Color Scholarship Conference
  - Increasing inclusion of student groups in law school faculty committees, including Appointments and Admissions
  - Increasing the diversity of Student Bar Association representatives to faculty committees, including Appointments and Admissions
  - Planning diversity student welcome in collaboration with Cleveland Marshall, Akron, and Thompson Hine
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- Increasing Diversity and Inclusion
  - Implemented the Diversity and Inclusion Scholars Program, which provides a small diverse group of 1L students with academic and career support
  - In collaboration with the Law School Diversity Committee, the University Office of Diversity, Inclusion and Equal Opportunity, and the University Office of Multicultural Affairs, completed annual Diversity training of all full-time faculty, 1L, L.L.M. and S.J.D students, and staff
- Presentations
  - *Panelist*, Norman S. Minor Bar Association Law Student Success Forum (Sept 2016)

#### First Year (2016)

- Increasing Diversity and Inclusion
  - In collaboration with the Law School Diversity Committee, the University Office of Diversity, Inclusion and Equal Opportunity, and the University Office of Multicultural Affairs, completed annual Diversity training of all full-time faculty, 1L, L.L.M. and S.J.D students, and staff
  - Created procedures to diversify adjunct faculty
  - Planned and moderated Second Annual Diversity lecture
  - Created Diversity and Inclusion development plan
  - Sponsor of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association's 2016 Diversity and Inclusion Conference
  - In collaboration with Diversity Events Subcommittee, planned and hosted Diversity week
- Presentations
  - *Keynote*, National Diversity Pre-Law Conference (April 2016)

#### **Selected Service**

*Member*, Law School Appointments Committee (2011 – 2012, 2016 – 2018)  
*Member*, Law-Medicine Center (ranked among the top ten health law programs in the country by U.S. News & World Report) (2011 - 2018)  
*Member*, CWRU Social Justice Institute Leadership Team (2016 – 2018)  
*Member*,

**University of Connecticut School of Law**  
*Visiting Professor, January 2011-May 2011*

**Hartford, CT**

**Courses Taught**

Bioethics

**University at Buffalo Law School, The State University of New York**  
**University at Buffalo School of Public Health and Health Professions**

**Buffalo, NY**

*Associate Professor, July 2008- August 2011*

*Director of the J.D. and Master of Public Health Program, July 2008 – August 2011*

*Director of the J.D. and Pharm.D. Program,*

**EDUCATION**

**Case Western Reserve University**  
**Weatherhead School of Management**  
*Courses (Fall 2017): Accounting and Health Economics*

**Cleveland, OH**

4.0 GPA

**Georgetown University Law Center**  
Juris Doctor; May 2000  
**Honors**

**Washington, DC**

*Staff Editor*

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Articles**

*When Equal Pay is Not Enough: The Continuation of Employment Discrimination and its Influence on Gender and Racial Disparities in Health*, 49 SETON HALL LAW REV. (forthcoming 2019).

*Racial Disparities in Health Status and Access to Health Care: The Continuation of Inequality in the United States Due to Structural Racism*, 77 AM. J. ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY 1113-1152 (2018)

*Exploitation in Medical Research: The Enduring Legacy of the Tuskegee Syphilis Study*, 67 CASE W. RES. UNIV. L. REV. 1171 -1226 (2017)

*Missing the "Target": Preventing the Unjust Inclusion of Vulnerable Children for Medical Research Studies*, 42 AM. J. OF L. & MED 797-833 (2016) (cited in MARK HALL, ET AL, HEALTH CARE LAW AND ETHICS, 9<sup>th</sup> ed 2018)

*Involuntary Consent: Conditioning Access to Health Care on Participation in Clinical Trials*, 44 J. OF L. MED. & ETHICS 445-461 (2016)

*Sick and Tired of Being Sick and Tired: Putting an End to Separate and Unequal Health Care in the United States 50 Years After the Civil Rights Act of 1964*, 25 HEALTH MATRIX 1-32 (Introduction for Law-Medicine Symposium issue) (2015)

*When is a Change Going To Come?: Separate and Unequal Health Care Fifty Years After Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964*, 67 SMU LAW REVIEW 287-338 (2014)











**White House Conference on Aging** **Cleveland, OH**  
(Conference to discuss and formulate policy to address key issues affecting older Americans)  
*Invited Participant*, April 27, 2015

**City of Cleveland, Office of Minority Health** **Cleveland, OH**  
*Keynote Speaker*, April 1, 2015  
“Eradicating Injustice to Attain Health Equity in Cleveland”

**University of Missouri, School of Medicine** **Columbia, MO**  
*Invited Speaker*, September 18, 2014  
“Racial Disparities: The Injustice of Racial Bias in Health Care After the ACA”

**American Society for Bioethics and Humanities** **San Diego, CA**  
*Invited Speaker*, September 16, 2014  
“Racial Disparities: The Injustice of Racial Bias in Health Care”

**Case Western Reserve University, School of Medicine** **Cleveland, OH**  
*Invited Speaker*, July 16, 2014  
“Health Disparities: What Does Race Have to Do With It?”

**University of Calif**

**University of Maryland**

**Baltimore, MD**

*Invited Participant*, November 2, 2012

Biopolitics Roundtable: Drafting a Biopolitics Constitution

**Tarrytown Meetings**

**Tarrytown, NY**

(Three year initiative that brings together renowned scholars, policy experts, civil-society leaders and others working to ensure that new human biotechnologies and related emerging technologies support rather than undermine a healthy, just and sustainable human future)

*Invited Moderator*, July 24, 2012

“Genetic Justice and Community Participation”

(<http://thetarrytownmeetings.org/content/profile/yearby>)

**Law and Society Association**

**Honolulu, HI**

*Invited Speaker*, June 7, 2012

“Racing mtDNA databases”

Meet the Author, Community and Collective Rights: A Theoretical Framework for Rights Held by Groups, by Dwight Newman

**Howard University School of Law**

**Washington, DC**

*Invited Presenter*, January 26-27, 2012

“Engaged Scholars: Opportunities for Advocacy and ‘Shameless Self- Promotion’ Outside of the Classroom”

“Breaking the Cycle of ‘Unequal Treatment’ With Health Care Reform: Acknowledging and Addressing the Continuation of Racial Bias”

**University of Connecticut School of Law**

**Hartford, CT**

*Invited Presenter*, November 11-12, 2011

“Civil Rights and Health Care Reform: Changing the Status Quo Through Regulation”

**Tarrytown Meetings**

**Tarrytown, NY**

*Invited Presenter*, July 25-27, 2011

“A Good Market for Bad Science: How Biological Race is Sold to the Public”

(<http://thetarrytownmeetings.org/notes/presentation-ruqaijah-yearby>)

“Reflections-Connecting the Dots” (available at

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=01XCab43U\\_o](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=01XCab43U_o))

**University of Hawaii Richardson School of Law**

**Honolulu, HI**

**Tarrytown Meetings**

**Tarrytown, NY**

*Invited Presenter and Facilitator, July 26-29, 2010*

“Genetics and Racial Justice” (<http://www.thetarrytownmeetings.org/notes/remarks-ruqaiijah-yearby>)

**Southern Illinois University**

**Carbondale, IL**

*Invited Speaker, May 21, 2010*

“Is Rationing of Medical Resources the Answer when Racial Inequities in Health Care Persist?”

**University of Iowa, College of Law**

**Iowa City, IA**

*Invited Speaker, February 26, 2010*

“Justice Renewed: Using Intersectionality Theory To Define What Is Equitable In Medical Research Studies”

**DePaul University, College of Law**

**Chicago, IL**

*Invited Speaker, January 18, 2010*

“Breaking the Cycle of ‘Unequal Treatment’: Acknowledging and Addressing the Continuation of Racial Discrimination in Health Care ”

**Temple University Beasley School of Law**

**Philadelphia, PA**

*Invited Speaker, November 13, 2009*

“African Americans Can’t Win, Break Even, or Get Out of the System: The Persistence of Racial Disparities in Health Care in ‘Post-Racial’ America”

**University at Buffalo Law School**

**Buffalo, NY**

*Invited Speaker, October 23, 2009*

“When is a Change Going to Come?: The Continued Exploitation of Children in Medical

**Marquette University Law School**

**Milwaukee, WI**

*Invited Panelist*, March 28, 2008

“Making Rhetoric A Reality: Granting the African American Community Equal Access to Quality Long Term Care”

**Brooklyn Law School**

**New York, NY**

*Invited Speaker*, February 21, 2008

“You Can’t Win, Break Even, and You Can’t Get Out of the Game: Stopping The Cycle of

**University of Houston, Law Center**

**Houston, TX**

*Invited Speaker*, June 3, 2005

“A Right to No Meaningful Review in Federal Administrative Agency Hearings: The Aftermath of *Shalala v. Illinois Council on Long Term Care, Inc.*”





**Healthy Improvement Partnership – Cuyahoga County Health Department**

(<http://hipcuyahoga.org/> )

*Steering Committee Member*, January 2017 – June 2018

*Subcommittee Member*, August 2014 – June 2018

Participate in Eliminating Racism as a Social Determinant of Health

Subcommittee meetings and assist in drafting partnership narrative

**American Public Health Association, Aging & Public Health Section**

*Website Editor*, August 2010