

## **LAUREN K. ROBEL**

**Val Nolan Professor of Law  
Emerita and Provost Emerita  
Indiana University Bloomington**

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Provost and Executive Vice President, Indiana University, Bloomington, 2012-2021.

Dean, Indiana University Maurer School of Law, 2003-2011.

Acting Dean, Indiana University School of Law, 2002.

Associate Dean, Indiana University School of Law, 1991-2002;

Val Nolan Professor of Law, 2000-present

Professor of Law, 1990-2000; Associate Professor of Law, 1987-1990. Assistant Professor of Law, 1985-1987.

Law Clerk to the Honorable Jesse Eschbach, United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, 1983-1985.

### **VISITING APPOINTMENTS**

Université Paris II Panthéon-Assas, multiple years

University of Hawai'i Manoa, Richardson School of Law, January 2019

O.P Jindal Global University, Distinguished Fellow and Eminent Jurist, 2020

### **SPECIALIZATION**

Research Focus: Federal Jurisdiction

Courses Taught: Federal Jurisdiction; Constitutional Law; Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Litigation; Civil Procedure I & II; Appellate Procedure and Practice; Legal Profession; Federal Courts Clinic; Appellate Practice Clinic

### **BOOKS:**

FEDERAL COURTS: CASES AND MATERIALS ON JUDICIAL FEDERALISM AND THE LAWYERING PROCESS (with Arthur Hellman), Lexis-Nexis 2005; 2d edition 2009 (with Arthur Hellman and David Stras) (with annual supplements).

LES ÉTATS DES NOIRS: FEDERALISME ET QUESTION RACIALE AUX ÉTATS-UNIS, (Presses Universitaires de France, 2000) (with Elisabeth Zoller)

## REPRESENTATIVE ARTICLES, BOOK CHAPTERS, ESSAYS:

*The Myth of the Disposable Opinion*, 85 Michigan Law Review 940-962 (1989). (Reprinted in G. Grossman, LAW BOOKS: FROM PARCHMENT TO COMPUTERS (Oxford Univ. Press 1994)).

"Violent Pornography and the Law," FOR ADULT USERS ONLY: THE DILEMMA OF VIOLENT PORNOGRAPHY. 178-197. Ed. Susan Gubar and Joan Hoff-Wilson. Indiana Univ. Press: 1989.

*Caseload and Judging*, 1990 Brigham Young University Law Review 3 (1990) (symposium on the federal courts).

*The Politics of Crisis and the Federal Courts*, 7 Ohio State J. of Dispute Resolution 115-137 (1991).

*Private Justice and the Federal Bench*, 68 Ind. L. J. 891 (1993).

*Grass Roots Procedure: The Work of Advisory Groups Under the Civil Justice Reform Act*, 59 Brooklyn Law Review 879 (1993) (symposium on civil justice reform).

*Fractured Procedure: The Civil Justice Reform Act of 1990*, 46 Stanford Law Rev. 1447 (1994) (symposium on civil justice reform).

*Mandatory Disclosure and Local Abrogation: In Search of a Theory for Optional Rules*, 14 Rev. of Litigation 49 (1994) (symposium on the new Federal Rules of Civil Procedure).

*Federal Court Supervision of State Criminal Justice Administration*, 543 ANNALS AM. ACAD. POL. & SOC. SCI. 154 (1996) (with Joseph Hoffmann).

*Impermeable Federalism, Pragmatic Silence, and the Long Range Plan for the Federal Courts*, 71 Indiana Law Journal 841 (1996).

*The Practice of Precedent: Anastasoff, Noncitation Rules, and the Meaning of Precedent in an Interpretive Community*, 35 Ind. L. Rev. 399 (2002).

*Sovereignty and Democracy: The States' Obligations to Their Citizens Under Federal Statutory Law*, 78 Ind. L. J. 543 (2003) (symposium on Congressional Power in the Shadow of the Rehnquist Court).

*Riding the Color Line: The Story of Railroad Commission of Texas v. Pullman Co.*, in FEDERAL COURT STORIES, Ed. Vicki Jackson & Judith Resnik (2009).

## **REPRESENTATIVE RECENT INVITED PRESENTATIONS:**

University of California, National Center for Free Speech and Civic Engagement. *Free Speech and the Campus*, June 2020

University of Chicago, *Special Problems in Campus Speech* October 2019

O.P. Jindal University, Sonipat, India, *Law Schools after Covid*, November 2020

White House, Washington D.C., *Programs to Reduce Student Debt*, November 2019

## **SERVICE**

### **National Service**

#### **Big Ten Academic Alliance**

- Chair 2020-2022
- Member since 2012

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

- President, 2012.
- Liaison to American Bar Association, 2015-2021.
- Executive Committee, member, 2006-2009; President-Elect, 2011, Immediate Past President, 2013.

- Liaison to ABA Committee on International Legal Education, 2010
- Chair, Committee on Research, 2006-2007.
- Chair, Committee on Curriculum and Research, 2005; member 2003-2005.
- Chair, Conference on New Ideas for Experienced Teachers, 2005-2006.
- Chair, Civil Procedure Section, American Association of Law Schools, 1994-1995.

**American Bar Foundation**

- Board member, 2016-present.

**Law School Survey of Student Engagement**

- Advisory Board member, 2005-present.

**National Survey of Student Engagement**

- Advisory Board Member, 2013-present.

**National Conference on Appellate Justice**  
Group Reporter, 2005

**American Bar Association**

- Section on Litigation, Member, 1994-1995.
- Rules Enabling Act Subcommittee

**United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, Circuit Rules Committee**

- Member, 1994-2000.

**Federal Courts Study Committee, Subcommittee on Role of the Federal Courts and their Relationship to the State Courts. 1989.**

**United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit**

- Report to the Chief Judge *Unpublished Opinions in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. 1988.*

**Indiana Supreme Court, Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure, 1995 -2006.**

**United States District Court, Southern District of Indiana**

- Reporter, Civil Justice Act Advisory Group 1990-1993.
- Reporter, Local Rules Committee, 1990 to 2006.

**Indiana Conclave on Legal Education and the Bar**, co-chair, 2006-2007.

**Legal Services Organization of Indiana**, Advisory Committee for the Study of Legal Needs of Poor, 1989-1991.

### **Other Service**

Amicus briefs in United States Supreme Court in cases involving federal jurisdiction.

Pro Bono Representation as appointed counsel in criminal, habeas, and civil rights cases, United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

Chair, Bloomington Human Rights Commission, 1986-1991.

Member, Board of Directors, Community Organizations Legal Assistance Program, 1992-1993.

Faculty Director and Founder, Indiana University School of Law Protective Order Project for Victims of Abuse.

President, Board of Directors, Habitat for Humanity of Monroe County, Indiana, 2000, 2001, Board Member, 2000-2004. 2010-2015.

Member and Secretary, Board of Directors, Habitat for Humanity of Indiana, 1999- 2002

Co-Chair, United Way Campaign, Indiana University, numerous

### **EDUCATION:**

J.D., Indiana University Maurer School of Law (Summa Cum Laude).

B.A., English, Auburn University. With High Honor. Graduate study, 1978-1980 English, Auburn University,

### **BAR ADMISSIONS:**

States of Indiana and Illinois

Supreme Court of the United States

United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.  
United States District Courts for the Northern and Southern Districts of  
Illinois  
United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana

**HONORS AND  
AWARDS:**

Elected Member, American Law Institute

Indiana State Bar Assoc. Presidential Citation, 2007 Distinguished Barrister Award,  
2000 Indiana State Bar Women and the Law Recognition Award

Indiana University Maurer School of Law

2002 Leonard D. Fromm Public Interest Award  
1999 Named Val Nolan Professor of Law  
1999 Leonard D. Fromm Public Interest Award  
1997 Indiana Bar Foundation Pro Bono Publico Award  
1997 Leon Wallace Teaching Award  
1997 Teaching Excellence Recognition Award  
1999 Teaching Excellence Recognition Award  
1996-1997 Ira C. Batman Faculty Fellow 1993-  
1995 Harry Ice Faculty Fellow  
1993 Gavel Award: Presented by members of the Indiana  
University Maurer School of Law graduating class

**MEMBERSHIPS:**

American Law Institute  
American Bar Association  
Indiana Bar Association  
Law & Society Association  
American Bar Foundation Fellow  
Indiana Bar Foundation Fellow  
Indianapolis Bar Foundation Fellow

**Selected Reviews, Miscellaneous Publications, Conference Presentations:**

Review of Glendon, ABORTION AND DIVORCE IN WESTERN LAW,  
6 Constitutional Commentary 131 (1989).

Review of Karst, BELONGING TO AMERICA, 8 Constitutional  
Commentary 309 (1991).

*The Civil Justice Reform Act and the Goal of Uniform Federal Procedure: Resolving the Tension*, 37 *For The Defense* 13 (Sept. 1995).

*Introduction, Symposium on Law, Morality, and Popular Culture in the Public Sphere*, 77 *Ind. L. J.* 222 (2002)

*Opening Our Classrooms Effectively to Foreign Graduate Students*, 24 *Penn. St. Int. L. Rev.* 797 (2006)

Affirmative Action: Lessons From The Military  
<http://jurist.law.pitt.edu/forum/symposium-aa/robel.php>

"Unpublished Opinions in the Federal Courts of Appeals," University of Wisconsin School of Law, April 1986.

"Government Use of Unpublished Opinions," Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, June 1987.

"Unpublished Opinions in the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit," Federal Judicial Center, October 1988.

"Violence and Power: The Protective Order Project," Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, June 1990.

"The Privatization Continuum: Views From the Bench," Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, June 1990.

"Civil Justice Reform," ICLEF, Oct. 1991.

"The Civil Justice Reform Act," Bar Association for the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, May 1992.

"Civil Justice Reform," Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, June 1992

Appellate Administration, ABA Judicial Administration Conference, Boston, June 1992

Municipal Liability Under § 1983, ICLU CLE, Indianapolis, In. May 1993

Report on Civil Justice Reform, Seventh Circuit Bar Association Meeting, May 1993

The New Rules of Federal Discovery, ICLEF, Seminar on Federal Practice, March 1994

The § 1983 Cause of Action, ICLEF, Seminar on Suing the Sovereign, January 1995.

Municipal Liability Under § 1983, Indiana Civil Liberties Union Continuing Legal Education, Indianapolis, May 1995.

Procedural Uniformity and the Civil Justice Reform Act, AALS Conference on Civil Procedure, Washington, D.C., June 1995.

Civil Protective and Restraining Orders as Remedies for Domestic Violence, ICLEF, Seminar on Domestic Violence, Indianapolis, July 1995.

The Meanings of Multiple Procedures, AALS Annual Meeting, Civil Procedure Section, January 1996 (San Antonio, Tex.)

Panelist, Rand Institute for Civil Justice and ABA Conference on the Civil Justice Reform Act, March, 1997, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

“Procedural Optimism and Civil Justice Reform,” National Workshop for District Court Judges, May 8, 1997, Washington, D.C.

New Developments in Section 1983, ICLEF, May 9, 1997, Indianapolis, Indiana.

“The Importance of Theory,” paper at National Association of Women Judges Annual Conference, “The Education of a Judge,” St. Louis, October 1998.

“The Supremacy Clause, the Nondiscrimination Principle, and *Alden v. Maine*,” Office of the Indiana Attorney General, Oct. 4, 1999.

“The Supreme Court’s Recent Federalism Decisions,” Indiana Civil Liberties Union CLE, October 1999.

“Nonpublication and Appellate Practice,” University of California–Davis Conference on the Ninth Circuit (May 2000)

“What is Precedent?” Symposium for Intermediate Appellate Judges, Indiana Univ. School of Law—Indianapolis, May 2001.

“Collegiality, Social Capital, and Structure at the United States Courts of Appeals,” Symposium on Dispute Resolution in the 21st Century, University of Las Vegas, Nevada, Boyd School of Law, Jan. 25, 2002.

“*Alden* Undone: Mitigating Immunity Doctrine in the States,” Conference, Congressional Power in the Shadow of the Rehnquist Court, Indiana University School of Law—Bloomington, Feb. 1-2, 2002.

Appellate Master Class Presenter, Nov. 15, 2002, ICLEF, Indianapolis.

Appellate Judges Seminar, ABA, Providence, RI, July 24, 2003.

Integration of International Students in U.S. Legal Education, AALS Workshop on Integrating Transnational Perspectives into the First Year Curriculum, January 4, 2006, Washington D.C.

The Evil of Terrorism and the Community of Civilized Nations: Boumediene, Al-Odah, and the Rule of Law, August 2008, University of Auckland, New Zealand

Legal Education and Globalization, O.P. Jindal Global University, Sonipat, India, August 7, 2010.

Presidential Address, Legal Education and Globalization, January 2012, Washington DC, AALS Conference.

Global Legal Education Forum, Harvard Law School, March 24, 2012.