

# 2010 — 2011 Annual Report

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# I. Center overview

## **History**

Created nearly 30 years ago under a bequest from Buffalo attorney Christopher Baldy, the Baldy Center for Law & Social Policy supports research on the interdisciplinary study of law, legal institutions and social policy throughout the University at Buffalo. The Center not only engages faculty and students campus-wide, it also has national and international impact through the scholarly publications, conferences, workshops, and other activities described in this report. The center is located in the University at Buffalo Law School.

# **Organization and Center Staff**

# Baldy Advisory Council

Sharmistha Bagchi-Sen, Geography Guyora Binder, Law Robert Granfield, Sociology Stephanie Phillips, Law Kenneth Shockley, Philosophy Mateo Taussing-Rubbo, Law James Wooten, Law

## **Baldy Center Staff**

Errol Meidinger, Director Laura Wirth, Assistant Director Anita Mazurek, Administrative Assistant

#### **Student Assistants**

Anikroma Bekoe John Che Ashley Sydnor

# II. Research Support and Fellowships

## **Faculty Research Grants**

#### **Annual Research Grants**

Christina Boyd, Political Science
Empirical Insights into Federal District Court Decision Making

Irus Braverman, Law Zoo Bureaucracies

Susan Cole, Classics

Freedom and Restraint: Dionysiac Institutions and the ancient Greek Community

Colleen Culleton, Romance Languages and Literatures

Hardened by the Rain: Moving Water, Making Metaphors, and Imagining the Rural in Modern

Catalonia

Joshua J. Dyck, Political Science

The Scope and Nature of Panhandling and the Related Crime

Rebecca R. French, Law Translating the Tibetan Law Codes

Joyce Hwang, Architecture

Re-Zoning Buffalo: Visualizing Potential Effects of Urban Agriculture

Charles M. Lamb, Political Science Fair Housing in the Twentieth Century

Susan Mangold, Law

The Impact of Child Welfare Funding on Child Welfare Outcomes in Ohio

Teresa Miller, Law

Documenting Buffalo's Abortion Wars

Teresa Miller, Law

Doing Life: An Ethnographic Documentary of Attica Prison

Vasiliki Neofotistos, Anthropology

Law, Martyrdom and Albanian Identity in the Republic of Macedonia

Justin Read, Romance Languages and Literatures

Alternative Functions: The Modernization of Urbanization of Latin America

Judy Scales Trent, Law

Survival and Success under Apartheid: the Life and Work of William Johnson Trent

Ramya Sreenivasan, History

Formations of Community in Early Modern North India: Legal Regulations and Caste Boundaries

Mateo Taussig Rubbo, Law

The Pirate Trials in Mombasa, Kenya

Sue Winton, Leadership and Policy

Engaging Citizens in Education Policymaking: The Effects of Online and Face-to-Face Policy Dialogues

#### **Small Research Grants**

James Beebe, Philosophy *Chance and Harm* 

Thomas Burkman, Asian Studies
Post-Pacific War Repatriation and War Memory in East Asia

Sarah Elder, Media Study
Surviving Arctic Climate Change [A documentary film]

Michael Halberstam (Law School) Redistricting Research Initiative

Junhao Hong (Communications)

Communication Rights, Press Freedom, and Social Transformation in China

Bruce Jackson (English)
Texas Death Row

Eiichiro Kazumori (Economics)

US Spectrum Allocation Policy: Theory and Experiments

Lynn Mather (Law)

Lawyers in Practice: Ethical Decision Making in Context

Lynn Mather (Law) *Indexing Project* 

Martha McCluskey (Law)

Criminalizing Economic Inequality: ClassCrits Workshop

Carl Nightingale (American Studies)

Segregation is Everywhere: A World History of Urban Color Lines

Yoshiko Nozaki (Education, Leadership and Policy)

Educational Technology, Educational Opportunity Programs, and the Gendered (and Raced and Classed) Identities among U.S. College Students

#### Jessica Owley (Law)

Private Land Conservation in a Changing Climate: Adaptation and Vulnerability Assessment

## Jessica Owley (Law)

Collaborative Conservation Easement Research

#### Sasha D. Pack (History)

Europe's Deepest Border: The Strait of Gibraltar Region since 1870

#### Harvey Palmer (Political Science)

University Affiliations of Supreme Court Justices and Attorneys: How Educational Networks Influence Court Decisions

#### Stephanie Phillips (Law)

Reforming Legal Education in Light of the Revolution in Neuroscience

#### Qingyan Shang (Economics) and Jessie P.H. Poon (Geography)

Skilled immigrants and US exports before and after the AC21 Act

#### Robert Silverman (Urban and Regional Planning)

Developing Planning and Policy Strategies for a Small American Indian Nation: The Case of the Unkechaug Nation

#### Mary Nell Trautner (Sociology)

Procedural and Legal Outcomes of Appearance-Based Employment Discrimination Lawsuits

#### Lois Weis (Department of Educational Leadership and Policy)

Maintaining Advantage: How Affluent Schools, Parents and Students Work to Position for College/University Entrance Under Conditions of Massification

# I. Collaboration and Community

## **Baldy Center Distinguished Speakers:**

November 15-16, 2010

Paradoxes of Regulating Corporate Capitalism: Property Rights and Hyper-Regulation **Sol Picciotto,** Director of the Oñati International Institute for the Sociology of Law

March 28, 2011

Domestic Violence and Women's Security from Owning Property

**Bina Agarwal**, Director and Professor of Economics at the Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi University

April 8-11, 2011

Using Just One Drug Makes Them Guilty: The Two Faces of Law in HIV Clinics

**Carol Heimer**, Professor of Sociology at Northwestern University and Research Professor at the American Bar Foundation

April 19, 2011

NSF Funding Opportunities for Research on Law

Scott Barclay, Associate Professor, SUNY Albany Department of Political Science

# **Co-sponsored events:**

September 22, 2010

Living with the Enemy: Insights from the Manchurian Diary of Jin Yufu, 1931-1935

Professor Annping Chin, Yale University Faculty Organizers: Asian Studies faculty

October 29-31, 2010

The Mindful Lawyer: Practices & Prospects for Law School, Bench, and Bar

Faculty Organizers: Stephanie Phillips, UB Law, Charles Halpern, Berkeley Law, Len Riskin,

University of Florida, Rebecca French, UB Law

November 5, 2010

Rethinking the Amistad Rebellion

Marcus Rediker, History, University of Pittsburgh

Faculty Organizer: Jennifer Gaynor, History

February 17 – April 1, 2011

15th annual International Women's Film Festival 2011

Organized by: Institute for Research and Education on Women & Gender

#### February 11, 2011

Academic Freedom in Contexts of Experiential Learning and Community-Based Research

Peter Joy, Washington University Law Faculty Organizer: Kim Connolly, Law

#### February 23, 2011

Pro Bono and the Public Good: Institutionalizing the Private Interest in Public Practice

Robert Granfield, UB Sociology

Organized by: UB 2020 Civic Engagement & Public Policy (CEPP) Initiative

#### March 4, 2011

*Are Supreme Court Justices Merely 'Legislators in Robes'?* 

Jeffrey Segal, SUNY Stony Brook

Faculty Organizers: Lynn Mather, Law; Christina Boyd, History

#### March 10, 2011

The Role of the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade in Contemporary Anti-Human Trafficking Discourse

Karen Bravo, A Columbia Law School Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar

Organized by: The Feminist Research Alliance

#### March 10, 2011

Film Screening

The Sun Behind the Clouds: Tibet's Struggle for Freedom

Organized by: Asian Studies Program

#### March 24, 2011

Is 'Family-Friendly' also Women-Friendly? Corporate Family Leave Policies, the Family & Medical

Leave Act, & Women's Occupational Standing in US Firms"

Erin Kelly, Associate Professor of Sociology at the University of Minnesota

Organized by: Steve Hoffman, Sociology

#### April 1, 2011

Middle East Uprisings: How the Past Informs the Present

Robert Tignor, Princeton History Department

Organized by: Jennifer Gaynor, History

#### April 7, 2011

"Social Antagonisms (and their discursive construction)"

Ernesto Laclau, Distinguished Visiting Professor, Political Science, Northwestern University

Organized by: Department of English

# II. Presentations, Conferences and Workshops

## **Book Manuscript Workshops:**

October 19, 2010

The Power of Association: Collective Goods, Selective Incentives, and Predatory States

Dinissa Duvanova, Political Science, University at Buffalo

Commentators: Scott Gehlbach, Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison;

Peter Rutland, Professor of Government, Wesleyan University

May 10, 2011

Zooveillance: The Institution of Captivity

Irus Braverman, Associate Professor of Law and Adjunct Professor of Geography at UB Commentators: Jody Emel, Associate Director of the Graduate School of Geography at Clark University; David Delaney, Senior Lecturer in Law, Jurisprudence and Social Thought at Amherst College; David Murakami Wood, Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology at Queen's

University, Canada

# **Working Group Presentations:**

October 29, 2010

**Environmental Stewardship Working Group** 

Who is Building the Better Green Energy Mousetrap? A Comparison of Canadian and US Approaches to Renewables, Energy Efficiency, and Smart Distribution

Scott Pasternack, Supervisor for Policy Development, Toronto Environment Office

November 30, 2010

Law, Place and Space Baldy Center Working Group

Zooveillance: Controlling to Conserve

Irus Braverman, UB Law

April 4, 2011

Children, Families and the Law Working Group

The Vanishing Trial in State and Federal Courts: A Discussion of the Trend over the Past Decades,

Possible Reasons for the Decline, and Implications for the Field

Lynn Mather, UB Law School, Hon. Kevin Dillon, Erie County Supreme Court Justice

#### **Conferences, Workshops and Lectures:**

August 9-10, 2010

The Proposed Remediation of Nuclear Materials at the Lake Ontario Ordinance Works: The Fernald Ohio Experience

Nathalie A. Wall, Ph.D. Assistant Professor, Washington State University

Faculty Organizer: Nils Olsen, UB Law and Joseph A. Gardella, Jr., Chemistry

September 30, 2010

Stratification, Segmentation, Fragmentation: The Research University in the 21st Century Faculty Organizers: Lois Weis, Graduate School of Education; Sharmisstha Bagchi-Sen, Geography

March 18, 2011

*Workshop on Urban Farming in Buffalo, Contamination, Zoning and Land Use* Faculty Organizer: Joseph Gardella, Chemistry

March 28 and March 29, 2011

*Hydrofracking: Exploring the Legal Issues in the Context of Politics, Science, and the Economy"* Faculty Organizers: Errol Meidinger, Kim Connolly, Jessica Owley, Robert Berger, UB Law

April 2, 2011

The Quote's Thing: Negotiating Copyright in Literary Criticism

Faculty Organizers: Mark Bartholomew, Law; Cristanne Miller, English

April 28 and April 29, 2011

Realizing Europe: The Treaty of Lisbon in Perspective

Faculty Organizers:

Deborah Reed-Danahay, Anthropology; Michael Halberstam, Law; Vasiliki Neofotistos,

Anthropology

# III. Publications

#### **SSRN Buffalo Legal Studies Research Paper Series**

The Baldy Center and the UB Law School sponsor an on-line series of working papers, called the Buffalo Legal Studies Research Paper Series. It is hosted and distributed by SSRN (Social Science Research Network) and provides an international, interdisciplinary audience for the law-related work of UB faculty and visiting scholars.

UB editors of the Buffalo series:

**Errol Meidinger**, UB Law **Guyora Binder**, UB Law

Governing with Clean Hands: Automated Public Toilets and Sanitary Surveillance

Buffalo Legal Studies Research Paper No. 2011-001

SSRN Abstract No. 1680477

Irus Braverman

Book Review: Africa: Mapping New Boundaries in International Law

Buffalo Legal Studies Research Paper No 2011-002

SSRN Abstract No. 1684057

Makau Mutua

The International Criminal Court in Africa: Challenges and Opportunities

Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-003 SSRN Abstract No. 1684147 Makau Mutua

Tort, Custom, and Karma: Globalization and Legal Consciousness in Thailand Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-004
SSRN Abstract No. 1694179 (Abstract only)
David Engel
How the Biological/Social Divide Limits Disability and Equality
Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-005
SSRN Abstract No. 1711883
Martha McCluskey

Thinking Like Wolves: Left Legal Theory After Right's Rise Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-006 SSRN Abstract No. 892565 Martha McCluskey

From Popular Sovereignty to Constitutional Sovereignty Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-007 SSRN Abstract No. 1587350 Abad i Ninet

Anonymity and Democratic Citizenship Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-008 SSRN Abstract No. 1743742 James Gardner

Efficiency and Social Citizenship: Challenging the Neoliberal Attack on the Welfare State Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-009
SSRN Abstract No. 457860
Martha McCluskey

Lessons Learned, Lessons Lost: Immigration Enforcement's Failed Experiment with Penal Severity Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-010 SSRN Abstract No. 1738665 Teresa Miller

New Frontiers of State Constitutional Law: Dual Enforcement of Norms Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-011 SSRN Abstract No. 1739774 James Gardner

Conservation Easements at the Climate Change Crossroads Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-012 SSRN Abstract No. 1743883 Jessica Owley

The Sony Legacy: Secondary Liability Perspectives

Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-013 SSRN Abstract No. 178986 Robert Reis

Rights and Remedies Post Ebay v. Mercexchange - Deep Waters Stirred Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-014 SSRN Abstract No. 1789873 Robert Reis

Checks, Balance and Judicial Wizardry: Constitutional Delegation and Congressional Legislation Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No 2011-015 SSRN Abstract No. 1789874 Robert Reis

Religion, Land, and Rights Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-016 SSRN Abstract No. 180445 Winnifred Sullivan

Joan's Two Bodies: A Study in Political Anthropology Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-017 SSRN Abstract No. 1815360 Winnifred Sullivan

From the Welfare State to the Militarized Market: Losing Choices, Controlling Losers Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-018 SSRN Abstract No. 1846818 Martha McCluskey

How the "Unintended Consequences" Story Promotes Unjust Intent and Impact Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-019
SSRN Abstract No. 1846848
Martha McCluskey

Specious Claims and Global Settlement Buffalo Legal Studies Paper No. 2011-020 SSRN Abstract No. 1783792 Todd Brown