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Recent SSRN Papers by Baldy Center Affiliates

Samantha Barbas

Saving Privacy from History

The Sidis Case and the Origins of Modern Privacy Law

Christine Bartholomew

Time: An Empirical Analysis of Law Student Time Management Deficiencies

Irus Braverman

Legal Tails: Policing American Cities Through Animals

States of Exemption: The Legal and Animal Geographies of American Zoos

Passing the Sniff Test: Police Dogs as Surveillance Technology

A Tale of Two Zoos

James A. Gardner & Guy-Uriel E. Charles

Election Law in the American Political System



Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to share this update on recent developments at the Baldy Center for Law & Social Policy at the SUNY Buffalo Law School. Please note especially that applications for 2013-2014 Fellowships in Interdisciplinary Legal Studies are due on February 1.

Sincerely,

Errol Meidinger, Director

Baldy Fellowships in Interdisciplinary Legal Studies
Applications Invited for 2013 - 2014

The Baldy Center for Law & Social Policy at the State University of New York at Buffalo plans to award several fellowships for 2013-14 to scholars pursuing important topics in law, legal institutions, and social policy. Applications are invited from junior and senior scholars from law, the humanities, and the social sciences.

Fellows are expected to participate regularly in Baldy Center events, but otherwise have no obligations beyond vigorously pursuing their research. Fellows receive standard university research privileges (access to UB libraries, high-speed Internet, office space, computer equipment, phone, website space, working paper series, etc.) and are encouraged to develop collaborative research projects with SUNY Buffalo faculty members where appropriate. Those who wish to teach a course to aid their research or gain teaching experience will be accommodated on a case-by-case basis.

Post-Doctoral Fellowships are available to individuals who have completed the PhD or JD but have not yet begun a tenure track appointment. Post-Doctoral Fellows will receive a stipend of \$40,000 and may apply for up to \$2000 in professional travel support.

Mid-Career and Senior Fellowships are available as sabbatical supplements to established scholars who wish to work at the Center. Stipends will be commensurate with experience, need, and duration of visit.

Application materials include: (1) a description of the planned research (ques-

Burkard Eberlein, Kenneth W. Abbott, Julia Black, Errol Meidinger & Stepan Wood

Transnational Business Governance Interactions: Conceptualization and Framework for Analysis

Michael Halberstam

Process Failure and Transparency Reform in Local Redistricting

Susan Mangold, Catherine Cerulli, Gregory Kapcar, Crystal Ward Allen, Kim Kaukeinen & Hua He

Using Community Based Participatory Research to Study the Relationship between Sources and Types of Funding and Mental Health Outcomes for Children Served by the Child Welfare System in Ohio

Athena Mutua

Seeking Justice in Missouri: The Case of The Honorable Barbara T. Peebles

Anthony O'Rourke

Structural Overdelegation in Criminal Procedure

Jessica Owley & Stephen J. Tulowiecki

Who Should Protect the Forest?: Conservation Easements in the Forest Legacy Program

Jessica Owley

Exactng Conservation Easements in California

Chris Pashler

Mirror, Mirror on the Wall: Stigma and Denial in Social Security Disability Hearings

Matthew Steilen

Collaborative Departmentalism

tion, conceptual framework, method, possible findings, importance to the field), (2) a complete academic and professional resume, (3) an academic writing sample, and (4) the names and contact information of three academic references. Please note especially that applications for the Baldy Fellowships in Interdisciplinary Legal Studies for 2013 - 2014 are due on February 1, 2013. The application can be found on our website at: <http://law.buffalo.edu/baldycenter>

Additional questions about the Baldy Fellows Program should be addressed to Assistant Director Laura Wirth, baldyassistantdirector@gmail.com or 1-716-645-2581.

The Baldy Center for Law & Social Policy is an endowed, internationally recognized institute that advances interdisciplinary research on law, legal institutions, and social policy at the State University of New York at Buffalo. More than 150 faculty members from numerous SUNY Buffalo departments participate in Baldy Center research, conferences, consortia, and publications. The Center maintains cooperative ties to other research centers and hosts distinguished scholars from around the world as visitors, fellows, speakers, and conference participants.

2012 - 2013 Baldy Fellows

The Baldy Center for Law & Social Policy launched a new fellowship program last spring for interdisciplinary legal scholars. The Center awarded four fellowships for 2012 - 2013 to scholars pursuing important topics in law, legal institutions, and social policy. These four fellows are:

Post Doctoral Fellows

Mireille Abelin completed her PhD in anthropology at Columbia University in 2012. Her dissertation examined the emergence of a political discourse of "fiscal sovereignty" (soberania fiscal) after Argentina's sovereign debt default of 2001, as well as the state's efforts to stabilize notions of value and reconstitute citizens as taxpayers and users of national currency. As an Interdisciplinary Legal Studies Fellow at the Baldy Center, she is pursuing a comparative project on perceptions of selfhood, sovereignty, and money as they crystallize in anti-tax movements in the United States and Argentina (both of which intensified in 2008). Her research examines the paradox of why, in the aftermath of fiscal crises caused by financial deregulation, a discourse celebrating unfettered markets, individual rights, and limited government has continued to hold tremendous appeal in both countries. Bringing an anthropological perspective to bear on the study of fiscal relations in modern state contexts, she is analyzing popular and scholarly notions of economic obligation, examining narrative constructions of where gratitude and recognition for economic prosperity is directed. She is particularly interested in the dearth of attention accorded to the problem of economic obligation in Anglo-American theories of citizenship, and is exploring the circumstances under which rights-based citizenship paradigms have become divorced from fiscally mediated visions of political community.

Nimer Sultany graduated from Harvard Law School's Doctor of Juridical Science (SJD) program, where his doctoral work focused on progressive constitutional and political theory. He has law degrees from the College of Management

Mateo Taussig-Rubbo

From the 'Stranger King' to the 'Stranger Constitution': Domesticating Sovereignty in Kenya

David Westbrook

Dinner Parties During 'Lost Decades': On the Difficulties of Rethinking Financial Markets, Fostering Elite Consensus, and Renewing Political Economy

Global Research Network

The Baldy Center is just one node in an international network of organizations that advance interdisciplinary research on law, legal institutions and social policy. Below are some of the other members of the global network:

American Bar Foundation

Centre for Criminology & Sociological Studies University of Toronto

Centre for Innovation Law and Policy, University of Toronto School of Law

World Consortium of Law and Society

Center for Intellectual Property Law and Innovation

Center in Law, Society, and Culture at University of California Irvine

Centre for Socio-Legal Studies Oxford University

Center for the Study of Law & Society University of California at Berkeley

Institute for Law & Society, New York University School of Law

Institute for Legal Studies University of Wisconsin Law School

(LLB), Tel Aviv University (LLM), and the University of Virginia (LLM). He worked as a human rights lawyer in the Association for Civil Rights in Israel, and headed the Political Monitoring Project at Mada al-Carmel - The Arab Center for Applied Social Research. His publications include: "The State of Progressive Constitutional Theory: The Paradox of Constitutional Democracy and the Project of Political Justification" (Harvard Civil Rights - Civil Liberties Law Review); Citizens without Citizenship: Israel and the Palestinian Minority (Mada, 2003); "The Legacy of Justice Aharon Barak: A Critical Review" (Harvard International Law Journal Online); and (with Nadim Rouhana) "Redrawing the Boundaries of Citizenship: Israel's New Hegemony" (Journal of Palestine Studies). During his stay at the Baldy Center he is examining the constitutionalization of religion in post-Arab Spring constitutionalism.

Julia Tomassetti earned her JD at Harvard Law School and is completing her doctoral work in Sociology at UCLA. She studies labor and employment law, labor relations, and economic sociology. Distinguished Professor Maurice Zeitlin chairs her doctoral committee. After completing her JD in 2002 she practiced employment law and campaign finance law in New York City for five years. Her primary research interest is the sociolegal construction of employment as a distinct, but contingent and contradictory, social relationship. Her dissertation investigates how legal decision-makers have conceptualized employment in emergent forms of work since the 1960s, and how their conceptualizations reshape and appear to restabilize basic social boundaries, including those between the economic and non-economic, public and private, citizen and pauper, worker and entrepreneur, and professional and non-professional. She also examines how sociolegal constructions of employment address legally constituted contradictions in class relations, including the doctrinal enactment of employment as both a contract and a status arrangement. In addition to analyzing contingent work relationships such as independent contracting and temporary employment, she looks at the relatively unexamined category of "non-economic" paid work relationships, including prison labor, workfare, and graduate student teaching, in which parties contest the legal classification of the work as "employment" because they dispute the "economic" location of the relationships.

Senior Fellow

Kathleen Biddick is Professor of History at Temple University. She has authored books in the fields of medieval studies, critical historiography, and theory: *The Other Economy*; *The Shock of Medievalism*; *The Typological Imaginary: Circumcision, Technology and History*. She has been the recipient of numerous fellowships: Fulbright Foundation, Rockefeller Foundation, Stanford Humanities Center, Dartmouth Humanities Center, National Science Foundation and the American Council of Learned Societies Curriculum Development Award. Her current book project, *Entangled Sovereignty: A Study in Premodern Political Theology*, delves into the return of the miracle in contemporary theories of sovereignty and discusses its importance for premodern scholars and for contemporary theory. She traces the links between the discourse of the most powerful abbey of twelfth-century Christendom, Cluny in Burgundy, which defined miracle-making in terms of its declared enemies, Jews and Muslims, and the theoretical writings of Walter Benjamin, Giorgio Agamben, Roberto Esposito

Institute on Law and Social Policy, University of California Berkeley

The Law and Society Association

National Science Foundation

World Consortium of Law and Society

Baldy Affiliates News

SUNY Buffalo Law Links article featuring Suzanne Tomkins and Catherine Cerulli: Clinic Fundraising Initiative to Honor Tomkins and Cerulli

UB News Center article featuring publication by Irus Braverman: *Where the Wild Things Are: An Insider's Look into Zoos*

University of Pennsylvania Press, publication by Vasiliki P. Neofotistos: *The Risk of War: Everyday Sociality in the Republic of Macedonia*

University of Chicago Press Publication by Carole Emberton: *Beyond Redemption: Race, Violence, and the American South After the Civil War*

to and Jean-Luc Nancy. The project argues that these medieval dead neighbors of Cluny remain undead and driven in the drive of contemporary theory, until their archive is recognized and embraced. During her stay at the Baldy Center in Spring 2013, she will be turning her studies into a monograph.



photo: Nimer Sultany, Julia Tomassetti, and Mireille Abelin

SUNY Buffalo Law Links e-newsletter article about Baldy Fellows:
<http://www.law.buffalo.edu/links/09-2012/baldy.html>
"Baldy Center fellows bring richness to academic life"

Research Grants

To further its mission of advancing interdisciplinary research on law, legal institutions, and social policy the Baldy Center has awarded 13 small research grants for 2012-2013. Awardees and their project titles include:

Sharmistha Bagchi-Sen (Geography), Biomass Based Bioenergy Production: The Role of Policy, Markets, and Institutions



Camilo Trumper

Christina Boyd (Political Science), Analyzing Litigation in the Federal District Courts

Irus Braverman (Law), Globalizing Zoos: The Administration of Saving the Planet

Jaume Franquesa (Anthropology), Renewable Energy and Energy Transition in the Context of Southern Europe's Fiscal Crisis

Jennifer Gaynor (History), A "Nasty Pirates' Nest" in the 17th Century

Erin Hatton (Sociology), Working but Not Employed: Work and the Struggle for Worker Rights beyond the Boundaries of the Law

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



Deborah Waldrop

Anthony O'Rourke (Law), An Analysis of Supreme Court Attitudinal Voting Across Rights

Jessica Owley (Law), Sustainability in the Age of Climate Change

Gwynn Thomas (Transnational Studies), When a Woman Leads: Regendering Political Power and Leadership in Latin America

Mary Nell Trautner (Sociology), Art v. Science: Cultures of Community and Professionalism in Lawyers' Narratives of Case Screening and Selection

Camilo Trumper (Transnational Studies), Ephemeral Histories: Public Sphere, Public Space and Political Citizenship in Chile, 1970-1973

Deborah Waldrop (Social Work), Call 911: How Public Health Policy Influences Emergency Decision-making at Life's End

Upcoming Baldy Center Conferences

March 8-9, 2013

Under the Influence? Interest Groups, Lobbying, and Campaign Finance

This will be the first conference devoted to focusing on the interaction between lobbying and campaign finance practices and regulation, with significant implications for the negotiation and redefinition of the appropriate relations between markets and politics.

April 19-20, 2013

The Big Thaw: Sustainability Policy, Governance, and Climate Change in the Circumpolar North

This conference will explore changes in international, national, and local governance processes and institutions in northern regions related to climate change.

May, 2013

A Public Health and Safety Approach to Drug Policy in New York State

This conference will elaborate, critique, and further develop a series of recommendations to move New York forward in aligning its drug policies in ways that will improve the health of individuals, families, and communities.

Recent Baldy Center Conferences

October 18-19, 2012

Intimate Partner Violence: One Community's Response

This conference focused on local and global challenges to addressing interpersonal violence as examined through various models of scholarship and concepts of advocacy.

The conference brought over 200 attendees from the legal, activist, and academic communities and beyond.



Dr. Catherine Cerulli, Prof. Isabel Marcus, Erin Barclay, Prof. Remla Parthasarathy, Prof. Aruna Papp, Nadia Shahram, Esq.

May 18-19, 2012

The Future of Heritage: Law, Ethics and Sustainability

This conference focused on the legal and ethical issues regarding cultural heritage management on the global, national and local levels and examined the challenges facing the sustaining of that heritage for future generations.

April 26-27, 2012

Beyond Jurisdiction: Wetlands Policy for the Next Generation

This conference provided an opening forum for scholars and advocates from all perspectives to think about how the narrow focus of recent years has stagnated the thought and action necessary to take the next steps to protect and sustain wetlands.

April 19-20, 2012

Where Now? Moving Beyond Traditional Legal Geographies

Participating scholars sought to expand the present intellectual boundaries of the critical legal geography project through a collaborative investigation of new themes and questions.

Baldy Center Presentations and Workshops 2012

Friday, February 10, 2012

How to Do Things with Boundaries: Redistricting and the Construction of Politics

James Gardner, SUNY Buffalo Law School

Friday, March 2, 2012

How the Earth Became a Collection of Land Uses ~ or Did it? Reflections on Doing Sociolegal Research in a Post-Theoretical Age

Mariana Valverde, University of Toronto

Friday, April 6, 2012

Judging Children as Children

Hon. Micheal A. Corriero, New York Center for Juvenile Justice

Wednesday, April 18, 2012

Interdisciplinary Legal Scholarship: Experiences, Probabilities and Suggestions

Franz von Benda-Beckmann, Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology

Thursday, April 19, 2012

The Character of Place: Communities and the Logic of Economic Change

Maryann Feldman, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Co-sponsored with the Geography Department

Thursday, September 13, 2012

On Marriage, Modernity, and the Production of Social Facts in Perry vs. Schwarzenegger and the B.C. Supreme Court's 2011 Polygamy Reference

Yvonne Zylan, Hamilton College

Co-sponsored with the Sociology Department

Tuesday, October 2, 2012

Inventing Civil Rights Lawyering: National Organizing for Racial Justice, 1880-1915

Susan Carle, American University Law School

Friday, October 5, 2012

The Sharia Clause: Islamic Law, Democracy, and Constitutionalism in the Aftermath of the Arab Spring

Nimer Sultany, Baldy Fellow

Friday, October 5, 2012

The Americans with Disabilities Act and the Supreme Court's Olmstead Decision: Where Are We Today?

Alison Barkoff, U.S. Department of Justice

Co-sponsored with the Center for Disability Studies

Law and Society News

Czarnota to become Scientific Director of International Institute for the Sociology of Law

The International Institute for the Sociology of Law (IISL) is located in Oñati, Gipuzkoa, Spain, and works to create academic links and collaborative relations with various European and non-European universities by providing facilities for seminars, workshops, visiting scholars and library research.

The Law and Society Association Annual Conference

2013 Annual Conference: Power, Privilege, and the Pursuit of Justice: Legal Challenges in Precarious Times, May 30 - June 2, 2013, Boston, Massachusetts, U.S.A.

SLSA Conference 2013: Call for Papers

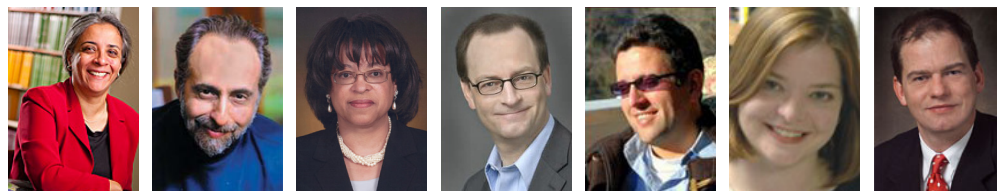
Over the past 21 years the annual SLSA conference has become an important international event in socio-legal studies. Abstracts are due by January 14.

Research Committee on Sociology of Law of the International Sociological Association (ISA/RCSL)

Sciences Po Toulouse is organizing, in collaboration with ISA/RCSL, and with the support of the European Network on Law and Society (RED&S), a Congress, which will take place in Toulouse, from September 3-6, 2013 on the theme "Sociology of Law and Political Action". The deadline for submission of abstracts has been extended to February 15, 2013.

The Baldy Center Advisory Council

The Baldy Center for Law & Social Policy Advisory Council provides guidance and makes recommendations regarding the Center's future, vision, mission and policies. The members of the council are (below, left to right)



Sharmistha Bagchi-Sen (Professor and Chair of Geography) Research on international business, high technology innovation, labor markets and the aging workforce.

Guyora Binder (SUNY Distinguished Professor of Law) Research in the areas of jurisprudence, criminal law, constitutional law, and international law.

Stephanie Phillips (Professor of Law) Founding member of the Workshop on Critical Race Theory. Research interests in law and religion, and interactions between race, gender, and sexuality.

Kenneth Shockley (Associate Professor of Philosophy) Research on indirect consequentialism, problems of partiality and the normative requirements of group membership, environmental values and public policy.

Mateo Taussing-Rubbo (Associate Professor of Law) Research on the reshaping of legal categories such as citizenship, sovereignty, and property through the deployment of powerful social and political categories such as sacrifice and gift.

Mary Nell Trautner (Associate Professor of Sociology) Research in the areas of sociology of law; gender, sexuality, and the body; also labor and organizations.

David A. Westbrook (Professor of Law) Research about the social and intellectual consequences of contemporary political economy. Teaches on business and international topics, including basic courses in corporations, contracts and international law.

Emeritus Baldy Center Advisory Council Members



The Center is grateful for the dedicated service of these former Council members (from left to right):

Robert Granfield (Sociology)

James Wooten (Law)

The Baldy Center for Law & Social Policy

About Us

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Research projects and events organized by UB faculty members cover a broad array of topics including but not limited to human rights, courts, regulatory governance, legal geography, social inequality, the legal profession, religion, and cultural understandings of law. The Center fosters and supports scholars whose work bridges disciplines and contributes to the broad picture of law and society research and scholarship.

The Baldy Center Staff



Errol Meidinger is the Director of the Baldy Center. He is a Professor of Law and Adjunct Professor of Sociology at SUNY Buffalo.. His recent research has focused on efforts to use “supra-governmental” regulatory programs, such as environmental certification and fair labor standards programs, to improve the social and environmental performance of business. He is currently working on two related research projects. The first focuses on interactions among state and non-state transnational governance organizations and is a collaboration with several scholars at other universities. The second seeks to understand the growing use by governments of limitations on access to their markets to promote environmentally and socially desirable behavior in other states. He earned his J.D. and a Ph.D. (Sociology) from Northwestern University.



Laura Wirth is the Assistant Director of the Baldy Center for Law & Social Policy. She holds a masters degree in Interdisciplinary Social Sciences from the State University of New York at Buffalo. She is responsible for organizing and coordinating the Baldy Center’s activities, and manages the daily operations and Center staff. Laura maintains the budget and creates reports relevant to fiscal planning and projections. In addition, she administers the grant application and award processes for affiliated faculty and fellows, and oversees event planning and public communications. Laura works closely with Director Errol Meidinger to implement policy directives and new initiatives adopted by the Baldy Advisory Council.



Caroline Funk is the Baldy Center Research Associate. She holds a Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin and specializes in the archaeology of human/environmental relationships. She has worked in multidisciplinary and multinational teams in Chukotka, Portugal, and Alaska to answer questions about the intersection of cultural and environmental histories. She was a member of the Historic Properties team at the MC-252 Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Response where she was deployed by the National Park Service to develop systems to streamline the Section 106 consultation process during clean up operations. Caroline currently leads a multidisciplinary research program in the Rat Islands, western Aleutians, Alaska. She and the group are investigating the long-term history of human use of the region to understand the impact of small-scale societies on the environment and to contribute to federally driven ecological restoration in the region. Caroline will work with the Baldy Center and affiliated faculty to develop funding proposals.



Ashley White is the Baldy Center Events Assistant. She earned her Bachelors degree in Communication from the University at Buffalo. Ashley assists with organizing and implementing the many events that the Center hosts each year, including conferences, guest speakers, and workshops.



Zoe Leach is the Baldy Center Research Assistant. She earned her Master's Degree in Business Administration from Medaille College in 2011, and has a Bachelor's Degree in the Fine Arts from The Cooper Union. Zoe's work supports the full range of Baldy Center activities.



Anikroma Beko is the Student Assistant for the Baldy Center. She currently is pursuing her Bachelor's degree in English with the intent to further her education in the area of Law. Anikroma provides advanced administrative and clerical support to the Baldy Center administration, staff, and faculty.

Buffalo Legal Studies Research Paper Series Social Science Research Network (SSRN)



SUNY Buffalo Law School
The State University of New York



The Baldy Center and SUNY Buffalo Law School co-sponsor the Buffalo Legal Studies Research Paper Series.

The Research Paper Series is hosted and distributed by the Social Science Research Network (SSRN) and provides an international, interdisciplinary audience for the Baldy faculty, fellows, and visitors.

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