

2010-2011 Standards Review Committee

**Chair: Donald J. Polden**  
**Dean, Santa Clara University School of Law**  
**Santa Clara, California**

Before joining Santa Clara University School of Law, Donald Polden was the dean and professor of law at University of Memphis School of Law, positions he held from 1993 to 2003. He has also served as associate dean and professor of law at Drake University School of Law and was a visiting professor at the University of Louisville School of Law. Dean Polden was of counsel at the firm of Hawkins and Norris from 1978 to 1990 and clerked for the Honorable William C. Hanson, chief judge of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Iowa from 1975-1976. He was elected to the American Law Institute in 1993, is a life member of the American Bar Foundation, and a Fellow in the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers. His previous Section activities include serving on the Law Libraries, Questionnaire, Pre Law, and New Deans' Seminar committees. Dean Polden holds a B.BA from George Washington University, and earned a J.D., *cum laude*, from the Indiana University-Indianapolis Law School.

**Vice Chair: Margaret Martin Barry**  
**Professor, The Catholic University of America**  
**Columbus School of Law**  
**Washington, D.C.**

Margaret Martin Barry joined the faculty of The Catholic University of America's Columbus Community Legal Services (CCLS) in 1987. She has taught in CCLS's Families and Law Clinic since its inception in 1993. Professor Barry has published in the areas of clinical teaching and family law, and has served on numerous professional panels discussing clinical teaching and legal representation. She served as chair of the Association of American Law Schools' Section on Clinical Legal Education and as president of the Clinical Law Schools Association. She currently serves as co-president of the Society of American Law Teachers and previously served as a member of its Board of Governors. Professor Barry is also a member of the board of editors of the *Clinical Law Review*. In addition to her work on the Standards Review Committee, Professor Barry has also served on the Section's Nominations Committee and Clinical Skills Committee as well as on law school site evaluation teams. Professor Barry graduated *magna cum laude* from Luther College and received her J.D. from the University of Minnesota Law School.

**Steven C. Bahls**  
**President, Augustana College**  
**Rock Island, Illinois**

Steven Bahls is the eighth president of Augustana College, a position he has held since October 2003. Previously, he was dean of the Capital University Law School. Before joining Capital's law program, Bahls was associate dean and professor at the University of Montana School of Law. From 1979 through 1985, he practiced corporate law with the Milwaukee law firm of Frisch, Dudek and Slattery. A recognized scholar in the areas of business law and agricultural law, President Bahls has written extensively in both scholarly publications and magazines. His previous Section activities include serving on site inspection teams, and the Bar Admissions, Law Libraries, and Law School Development committees. He earned a B.BA. with highest distinction from the University of Iowa and a J.D. from Northwestern University School of Law. At Northwestern, President Bahls was a member of Order of the Coif and head executive editor of the *Northwestern University Law Review*.

**N. Cornell Boggs III**  
**Chief Responsibility and Ethics Officer**  
**MillerCoors**

Cornell Boggs joined Coors Brewing Company in 2005 as chief legal officer and group vice president of public affairs. In that position he was responsible for legal, government affairs, corporate communications, alcohol responsibility, and water and natural resources. Previously, he served as vice president and general counsel for Tyco Plastics and Adhesives. Earlier in his career, Mr. Boggs handled and directed legal affairs for Anheuser-Busch, Intel Corporation, and Monsanto Company. He earned his undergraduate degree from Valparaiso University and a J.D. degree from Valparaiso University School of Law. Mr. Boggs also served a two-year appointment to the U.S. Department of Justice honors program

**Catherine L. Carpenter**  
**Professor, Southwestern Law School**  
**Los Angeles, California**

Catherine Carpenter is a professor of law at Southwestern Law School, where she has been on the faculty since 1980. From 1984 to 1997, she served as the academic associate dean. She currently teaches and writes in the areas of criminal law and future interests, and serves as the faculty advisor for the Moot Court Honors Program and Woman Law Students Association. She is a member of the editorial board of CALI (The Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction), the Stanford Curriculum Work Group, and the National Policy Council at Valparaiso University School of Law.

Professor Carpenter has been involved extensively in Section activities, serving on the Accreditation Committee from 2004 to 2010 and as its chair from 2008 to 2010; on the Law School Administration Committee from 1995-1999 and as its chair from 1996-1999; the Curriculum Committee from 2000-2004; as its chair from 2002-2004 and as its current chair; and the Nominating Committee from 2003-2005. In addition, for the 2010-2011 year, Professor Carpenter serves as a member of the Finance Committee and the Foreign Programs Committee. Professor Carpenter has chaired a number of site evaluation teams. She is a co-drafter of *A Survey of Law School Curricula 1992-2002* and the upcoming second edition, *A Survey of Law School Curricula 2002-2010*. In 2007-2008, she was a member of the Special Committee on Outcome Measures. Professor Carpenter earned her undergraduate degree from UCLA and her law degree from Southwestern.

**Donald C. Dahlin**  
**Professor, University of South Dakota**  
**Vermillion, South Dakota**

Donald Dahlin is a professor of political science and former vice president of academic affairs at the University of South Dakota. He is a fellow of the Institute of Court Management and has served as a management analyst in the U.S. Department of Justice and as the South Dakota Secretary of Public Safety. Professor Dahlin earned a bachelor's degree from Carroll College and a Ph.D. from the Claremont Graduate School.

**Allen K. Easley**  
**Dean, University of La Verne College of Law**  
**Ontario, California**

Allen Easley became dean of the University of La Verne College of Law in July 2008. Previously, he was the dean and professor of law at William Mitchell College of Law in St. Paul, Minnesota and also served for 13 years as associate dean of academic affairs at Washburn University School of Law. Dean Easley has served on more than 15 ABA and AALS law school site

inspections, chaired the Section's Questionnaire Committee, chaired the AALS Membership Review Committee, and served as a member of the AALS Executive Committee. He earned a B.A. from the College of Wooster and both a J.D. and an LL.M. from Temple University—James E. Beasley School of Law.

**Thomas A. Edmonds, Esq.**  
**Richmond, Virginia**

Thomas Edmonds served as executive director and chief operating officer of the Virginia State Bar from 1989 to 2007. Previously, he was dean and professor at the University of Mississippi School of Law from 1987 to 1989 and dean and professor at the University of Richmond T.C. Williams School of Law. Mr. Edwards has also been a member of the law faculty at Florida State University College of Law and was a visiting professor at the University of Pacific McGeorge School of Law and Duke University School of Law. Before entering legal education, Mr. Edwards was an associate at Anderson, Rush, Dean and Lowndes in Orlando, Florida. From 1997 to 2003, he was a member of the ABA House of Delegates, representing the National Association of Bar Executives. Mr. Edmonds has served on site evaluation teams since 1979. He earned a B.A. from Mississippi College and a law degree from Duke University School of Law where he was Order of the Coif and Articles Editor of the *Duke Law Journal*.

**E. Christopher Johnson, Jr.**  
**Director, Graduate Program in Corporate Law and Finance**  
**Thomas M. Cooley Law School**  
**Auburn Hills, Michigan**

Prior to taking his current position in January 2009, E. Christopher Johnson, Jr., was vice president and general counsel at General Motors North America (GM), where he was responsible for managing the delivery of all legal services that impact the GM North America Region and its hundreds of attorneys, support staff, and outside law firms. Prior to joining GM, he was an attorney search consultant and an associate attorney with the New York firm of Mudge Rose Guthrie Alexander & Ferdon. Mr. Johnson was educated at the United States Military Academy at West Point and graduated with honors from New York Law School, where he served as president of the New York Law School student body. Mr. Johnson is a member of the Council for Legal Education Opportunity (CLEO), a fellow of the American Bar Foundation, and past chair of the American Bar Association's Africa Law Council. He is a recipient of the Spirit of Excellence Corporate Award from the American Bar Association, the Michael Franck Award from the State Bar of Michigan, an Urban Wheel Award as the auto industry's African American Executive of the Year, and the Champion of Justice Award from the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association.

**Honorable Kiyo A. Matsumoto**  
**United States Magistrate Judge, Eastern District of New York**  
**Brooklyn, New York**

At the time of her appointment to the Federal Court, Kiyo A. Matsumoto was a senior trial counsel at the United States Attorneys Office for the Eastern District of New York, Civil Division. During her tenure at the U.S. Attorneys Office, she also served as deputy chief, first deputy chief, and chief of the Civil Division; chief of the Financial Litigation Unit; Civil Health Care Fraud coordinator; and an instructor in civil litigation, financial litigation, and trial advocacy at the Attorney General's Advocacy Institute, the National Advocacy Center, and Office of the Legal Education of the United States Department of Justice. Additionally, Judge Matsumoto was an adjunct professor at Brooklyn Law School and at New York University School of Law. Judge Matsumoto is a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley and the Georgetown University Law Center, where she was a legal research and writing fellow. Following graduation from law school, she was a litigation associate at MacDonald, Hoague and Bayless.

**Lucy S. McGough**  
**Professor**  
**Louisiana State University, Paul M. Hebert Law School**

Professor McGough has been on the Louisiana State University law faculty since 1981. Prior to that, she taught for ten years at Emory University Law School and held the Charles Howard Candler Professor of Law. She was the research director for the Children's Code project that resulted in the Louisiana Children's Code of 1991. Since then she has continuously served as the Reporter for the Children's Code Advisory Committee to the Louisiana State Law Institute, a reform body that is responsible for recommending legislation that will reflect best practices in the juvenile court. Professor McGough has written numerous law review articles on family and juvenile law. She has also served on the Section's Accreditation Committee and numerous law school site team inspections. Professor McGough holds a B.A. from Agnes Scott College, a J.D. from Emory University, and an LL.M. from Harvard Law School.

**Erica Moeser, Esq.**  
**President & CEO, National Conference of Bar Examiners**  
**Madison, Wisconsin**

Erica Moeser has been the president of the National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE) since 1994. She is a former chair of the ABA Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar and has served as a law school site evaluator, as a member of the Section's Accreditation Committee, and as the co-chair of the Section's Bar Admissions Committee. Before joining NCBE, Ms. Moeser worked as the director of the Board of Bar Examiners of the Supreme Court of Wisconsin for 17 years. Ms. Moeser holds the following degrees: B.A. (geology), Newcomb College of Tulane University, 1967; M.S. (curriculum and instruction), the University of Wisconsin, 1970; and J.D., the University of Wisconsin, 1974. She was admitted to practice law in Wisconsin in January 1975. Ms. Moeser also holds honorary degrees from three law schools. She has taught professional responsibility as an adjunct at the University of Wisconsin Law School.

**The Honorable Michael A. Wolff**  
**Supreme Court of Missouri**  
**Jefferson City, Missouri**

Michael A. Wolff was appointed to the Supreme Court of Missouri in August of 1998. Before joining the court, Judge Wolff was a professor at Saint Louis University School of Law from 1975 to 1998. He also held faculty appointments in the University's Department of Community Medicine and the School of Public Health. During a leave from Saint Louis University, Judge Wolff served as transition director and chief counsel to Missouri Governor Mel Carnhan. Previously, he was in private practice and served as director of Black Hills Legal Services in Rapid City, South Dakota; as an attorney with Legal Aid Society of Metropolitan Denver, and as an attorney with Legal Assistance of Ramsey County in St. Paul, Minnesota. Judge Wolff has written extensively on legal issues and received numerous awards, including Lawyer of the Year by *Missouri Lawyers' Weekly* in 2007 and the Missouri Bar's Judicial Excellence Award in 2007. He earned a bachelor of arts degree from Dartmouth College and a J.D., *cum laude*, from the University of Minnesota Law School. While in law school, Judge Wolff was the editor-in-chief and chairman of the board of the student daily newspaper, *The Dartmouth*, and worked as a general assignment reporter and copy editor for *The Minneapolis Star* (now *The Star Tribune*).

**David N. Yellen**  
**Dean, Loyola University Chicago School of Law**  
**Chicago, Illinois**

David Yellen has been dean and professor of law at Loyola since July 2005. From 1988 to 2004, he was on the faculty of Hofstra Law School, holding the Max Schmertz Distinguished Professorship and serving as dean from 2001 to 2004. During the 2004-2005 school year, he was the Reuschlein Distinguished Visiting Professor at Villanova University School of Law. He has also taught at Cornell Law School and New York Law School. Dean Yellen has written widely about the federal sentencing guidelines, testified before the United States Sentencing Commission, advised President Clinton's transition team, and argued a case before the United States Supreme Court. Before beginning his academic career, he clerked for a federal judge, practiced law in Washington, D.C., and served as counsel to the Judiciary Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives. He has served on law school site teams, as well as the Section's Pre Law Committee. Dean Yellen earned a B.A., *magna cum laude*, from Princeton University and a J.D., *cum laude*, from Cornell Law School.