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Biography

Professor King's expertise is in the study of law, medicine, ethics and public policy. She is also an adjunct professor in the Department of Health Policy and Management, School of Hygiene and Public Health at Johns Hopkins University. She is the co-author of *Cases and Materials on Law, Science and Medicine*. She teaches Family Law courses and offers a seminar in Bioethics and the Law. She is a member of the American Law Institute and the Institute of Medicine and a Fellow of the Hastings Center. Her work in the field of bioethics has included service on the HEW-Advisory Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee, the President's Commission for the Study of Ethical Problems in Medicine and Biomedical and Behavioral Research, the National Commission for the Protection of Human Subjects of Biomedical and Behavioral Research, and the Ethics, Legal and Social Issues Working Group of the Human Genome Project. She is a fellow of the Harvard Corporation and a member of the Board of Trustees of Wheaton College. Her professional experience before joining the Law Center faculty in 1973 was primarily in the civil rights field; she was the Deputy Director of the Office of Civil Rights and Special Assistant to the Chairman of the EEOC. She also served as a Deputy Assistant Attorney General in the Civil Division of the Department of Justice.

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EDUCATION AND TRAINING

J.D. 1969 Harvard Law School

Admitted to practice District of Columbia Bar
November 4, 1969

Admitted to practice U.S. Supreme Court
June 30, 1980

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Carmack Waterhouse Professor of Law, Medicine, Ethics and Public Policy, 1996 - present, Georgetown University Law Center

Professor of Law, 1988-1996, Georgetown University Law Center

Associate Professor of Law, 1974-1988, Georgetown University Law Center

Adjunct Professor, 1990 - present, Dept. of Health Policy and Management, Bloomberg School of Public Health, Johns Hopkins University

Deputy Assistant Attorney General, 1980-1981, Civil Division, Department of Justice

Deputy Director, 1971-1974, Office of Civil Rights, Department of Health, Education & Welfare

Special Assistant to the Chair, 1969-1971, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Current:

Faculty Affiliate, Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Georgetown University, 2001-

Member, Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Sciences, 1992-

Fellow, Hastings Center, 1977 -

Member, American Law Institute 1988-

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District of Columbia Bar (unified)

Fellow Harvard College (Harvard Corporation), 2006 -

Member, Bioethics Advisory Board, Howard Hughes Medical Institute, 2007 -

Member, Board of Trustees, Wheaton College, 1989- (Chair 2000 - 2005)

Director, Mathematica Policy Research Inc., 1991-

Past:

Member, Scientific and Medical Accountability Standards Working Group of the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM), 2005 - 2008

Member, Advisory Board, Genetics and Public Policy Center, Berman Bioethics Institute, Johns Hopkins University, 2002 - 2008

Member, Working Group on Human Trials of Cell-Based Interventions for Neurological Conditions, Berman Bioethics Institute, Johns Hopkins University, 2005-2007

Vice-Chair, Board of Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, 1999 - 2007

Director, Golden West Financial Corporation, 1994 -2006

Member, Board of National Partnership of Women and Families, 1987- 2005

Member, Ethics Research Consortium on Smoking and Genetics, Institute for Health Care Research and Policy, Georgetown University, 2001- 2005

Member, National Academies Committee on Ethical Issues in Housing Intervention Research Involving Children, Youth and Families, 2004- 2005

Member, Working Group on the Criteria for Cell-Based Therapies, Phoebe R. Berman Bioethics Institute, Johns Hopkins University, 2002 - 2003

Member, External Scientific Committee (ESC), The Cancer Genome Atlas (TCGA), NIH, 2005 -2008.

Member, Board of the Hospice Foundation, 1994-2003

Member, AAAS & Hastings Center Project, Tools for Public Conversation About Behavioral Genetics, 2000 -

Member, IOM Committee On Assessing the System for Protecting Human Research Subjects, 2001-

Member, NRC/IOM Committee on Biological and Biomedical Application of Stem Cells, 2001

Member, Council, Institute of Medicine 1998-2001

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- Member, Advisory Board, Pew Fellowships in International Journalism, 1998-2001
- Fellow, Kennedy Institute of Ethics, 1977 -2001
- Member, Board of Advisors, American Board of Internal Medicine, 1995 - 1999
- Member, Working Group to Advise the ACD (NIH) on Guidelines and Oversight of Human Pluripotent Stem Cell Research, 1999
- Member, IOM Committee on Organ Procurement & Transplantation Policy, 1999
- Member, IOM Committee on Perinatal Transmission of HIV, 1997 - 1998
- Chair, Committee on the Assessment of Family Violence Interventions, National Research Council, 1994 - 1998
- Member, Pew Global Stewardship Initiative Advisory Board, 1993 - 1996
- Member, National Advisory Board of Ethics in Reproduction, 1991 - 1996
- Member, President's Advisory Committee on Human Radiation Experiments, 1994-1995
- Member, Board of General Services Foundation, 1990-1994
- Co-Chair for Policy, Embryo Research Panel, NIH, 1994
- Member, Commission on Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education, National Research Council, 1992-1995
- Member, Advisory Board on Health Sciences Policy, Institute of Medicine, 1989-1994
- Member, Ethics, Legal and Social Issues (ELSI) Working Group, Human Genome Center, NIH, 1989-1995
- Member, Board of The Center for Reproductive Law & Policy, 1993-1994
- Member, Board of Directors, American Society of Law & Medicine, 1990-1993
- Member, Ethics Cluster, President Clinton's Health Care Taskforce, 1993
- Member, Advisory Committee to the Director of the National Institutes of Health, 1990-1994
- Member, Board of Trustees, Russell Sage Foundation, 1981-1991; Vice Chair 1987-1990
- Member, Institute of Medicine, Committee to Study Decision Making with Respect to the Acceptance by the Public of Advances in Biology and Technology, 1989-1990
- Member, Committee on Contraceptive Development, National Academy of Sciences, 1987-89
- Member, Human Fetal Tissue Transplantation Research Panel, NIH, 1988

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- Member, Clinical Research Subpanel for National Institute of Aging, Clinical Center, NIH, 1984-1988
- Member, Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee, 1979-1981
- Member, National Commission for the Protection of Human Subjects of Biomedical and Behavioral Research, 1974-1978
- Member, Health Advisory Committee, Office of Technology Assessment, U.S. Congress, 1979-1986
- Member, National ACLU Special Committee on Receiving and Withholding of Medical Treatment, 1984-1988
- Member, Medical Operating Committee, Whitman-Walker Clinic, 1987-1989
- Member, Office of Technology Advisory Panel on Infertility Prevention and Treatment, 1986-1988
- Member, Panel on Protection of Human Subjects at the Addiction Research Center, National Institute on Drug Abuse, 1987
- Member, Office of Technology Assessment Panel on Technologies and Child Health, 1985-1987
- Member, Office of Technology Assessment Panel on Indian Health Care, 1986
- Member, Office of Technology Assessment Panel on Technology and Children's Mental Health, 1987
- Member, Office of Technology Assessment Panel on Agent Orange Studies, 1980-1988
- Member, Office of Technology Assessment, Workshop on Human Biological Materials, 1987
- Member, Board of Directors, Wheaton College Alumni Association, 1982-1985
- Member, Consensus Development Conference on Infantile Apnea and Home Monitoring, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, 1985-1986
- Member, Board of American Civil Liberties Union of the National Capital Area, 1984-86
- Member, Minority Affairs Committee, Law School Admission Council/Law School Admission Services, 1986
- Treasurer, Harvard Law School Association of D.C., 1983-1984
- Governor, District of Columbia Bar Association (unified), 1973-76; 1982-85
- Seminar Leader, Aspen Institute, Executive Seminar, 1984
- Member, Council of the Harvard Law School Association, 1979-1983
- Member, President's Commission for the Study of Ethical Problems in Medicine and Biomedical and Behavioral Research, 1980
- Member, Board of the Center for Women's Policy Studies, 1980

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Member, Joint Commission on Prescription Drug Use, 1976-1980

Member, Policy and Data Safety Monitoring Board, National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, National Institutes of Health, 1977-1980

Member, Ad Hoc Committee on FDA Legislation and Policies Affecting Anti-Cancer Drugs, Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Sciences, 1979-1980

Member, United States Circuit Judge Nominating Commission, 1977-1980

Member, Board of the Institute for Public Interest Representation, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., 1978-1980

Member and Chairperson, Redevelopment Land Agency of the District of Columbia, Washington, D.C., 1976-1980

Member, Visiting Committee for Law, Harvard University Law School, 1975-1981

Member, Committee on Academic Freedom and Tenure, American Association of Law Schools, 1976-1979

Member, Accreditation Committee, ABA Section on Legal Education and Admission to the Bar, 1975-1976

Member, ABA Council, Section on Legal Education & Admission to the Bar, 1976-77

Member, President's Advisory Committee, Wheaton College, 1972-1975

Member, Department of Defense Task Force on the Administration of Justice in the Armed Forces, 1972

Consultant, Women Judges' Fund for Justice, 1988-1991

Testified Before:

House Subcommittee on Science and Technology; "Ethical Issues in Science Research," September 7, 1977

House Subcommittee on Science and Technology; "Social Policy Issues in Genetic Engineering" November 18, 1982

Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and space, "Mapping the Human Genome: The Promise and the Problems," November 9, 1989

Senate Judiciary Committee, Clarence Thomas Nomination, September 17, 1991

EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES

Series Editor, Ethics, Health and Public Policy Series, Georgetown University Press, 2004-

Area Editor, Encyclopedia of Bioethics, Revised Edition, 1990-1994

Member, Council of Advisory Editors, Medical Humanities Review, 1986-

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Member, Editorial Board of BioLaw Reporter, 1982-

HONORS AND AWARDS

Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, Old Dominion University, 2009

2007 Sandra Day O'Connor Board Excellence Award, DirectWomen Institute.

Honorary Doctor of Laws, Wheaton College, 1992

Distinguished Service Award HEW, 1973

Secretary's Special Citation (Elliott Richardson), 1973

John Hay Whitney Fellow, 1967-1968

PUBLICATIONS

Articles & Books

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Reflections On Race and Bioethics in the United States, 14 Health Matrix 149 (2004)

Ruth Faden, Liza Dawson, Alison Bateman-House et al., Public Stem Cell Banks: Considerations of Justice in Stem Cell Research and Therapy, Hastings Center Report 33, no.6 (2003): 13-27.

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CASES AND MATERIALS ON LAW, SCIENCE AND MEDICINE, (Co-Author) 1984.

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Legal Issues Affecting Pregnant Women and Newborn HIV Testing, 4 AIDS Patient Care 3 (1990)

Legal Regulation of Human Gene Therapy, (with J. Areen), 1 Human Gene Therapy 151-161 (1990)

Reproductive Technologies: The Legal and Ethical Issues: Update, BioLaw, 1989

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"New" Reproductive Techniques and the Need to Legislate for Parenthood in the Modern Era - Commentary on Cases, 1985 Bioethics Rptr. 1 (court Cases) (with Mandler)

Ethics Committees: A Concept Whose Time Has Come? -- Commentary on Cases, 1984 Bioethics Reporter 471

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Treatment and Minors: Issues Not Involving Lifesaving Treatment, 23 J. of Fam. Law. 241 (1984)

The Juridical Status of the Fetus: A Proposal for Legal Protection for the Unborn, 77 Mich. L. Rev. 1647 (1979), reprinted in THE LAW AND POLITICS OF ABORTION ©. Schneider and A. Vinovskis eds. 1980) and ABORTION: MORAL AND LEGAL PERSPECTIVES 57 (J. Garfield and P. Hennessey eds. 1984)

Book Chapters

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Race, Justice and Research, BEYOND CONSENT: SEEKING JUSTICE IN RESEARCH, (Jeffrey Kahn, Anna Mastroianni & Jeremy Sugarman eds.) Oxford University Press 1998.

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BY NO EXTRAORDINARY MEANS, 28 Jurimetrics, Journal of Law, Science and Technology 115 (1987), Book Review

She Broke the Law, Op-Ed Page, Washington Post, January 19, 1993 A-21.

Shackled to a Shadow of Doubt, Op-Ed Page, Los Angeles Times, Oct. 8, 1991 B-7.