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AB, 1977, Dartmouth College

JD, 1982, Yale University

Professor Singer joined the faculty in 1985 after serving as Revson fellow in women's law and public policy and adjunct clinical professor at the Georgetown University Law Center's Sex Discrimination Clinic. Following her graduation from law school, where she was articles editor of the *Yale Journal of World Public Order*, she served for a year as clerk to the Honorable Richard D. Cudahy of the U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, and then for two years as a litigation associate at the law firm of Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering.

Professor Singer is the co-author of *Family Law: Cases Materials and Problems* (1998) and she has written widely on constitutional law, family law and children's issues. She is a member of the American Law Institute and a liaison member of the American Bar Association Commission on Women in the Profession. She is a past Chair of the Family and Juvenile Law Section of the American Association of Law Schools and a current member of the Editorial Board of the *Family Court Review*.

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Education

YALE LAW SCHOOL - J.D. 1982
Articles Editor, Yale Journal of International Law

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE - A.B. 1977
Summa Cum Laude; Phi Beta Kappa

Academic Employment

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND SCHOOL OF LAW
Professor (July 1985-present)
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs (1999-2001)
Courses Taught: Constitutional Law; Family Law; Children, Parents and Law;
International and Comparative Family Law; Civil Procedure; Contracts

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER
Visiting Professor
July 1993 - June 1994

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER - SEX DISCRIMINATION CLINIC
Revson Fellow in Women's Law and Public Policy
Adjunct Clinical Professor of Law
July 1984 - July 1985

Publications: Books, Chapters and Monographs

RESOLVING FAMILY CONFLICTS (ed. with Jane C. Murphy) (Ashgate, 2008)

FAMILY LAW: CASES, PROBLEMS AND MATERIALS, 2nd ed. (Matthew, Bender, 1998)
(with P. Swisher and A. Miller)

Legal Regulation of Marriage: From Contract to Status -- and Back Again? in STRATEGIES TO STRENGTHEN MARRIAGE: WHAT DO WE KNOW? WHAT DO WE NEED TO KNOW? (The Family Impact Seminar, 1998)

MITIGATING THE EFFECTS OF DIVORCE ON CHILDREN THROUGH FAMILY-FOCUSED COURT REFORM (The Abell Foundation, 1997) (with A. Davis and S. Leviton)

Publications: Articles

Dispute Resolution and the Post-Divorce Family: Implications of a Paradigm Shift, 47 Family Court Review 363 (2009)

Hamdan as an Assertion of Judicial Power, 66 Maryland L. Rev. 759 (2007)

Marriage, Biology and Paternity: The Case for Revitalizing the Marital Presumption, 65 Maryland L. Rev. 246 (2005)

Juristocracy in the Trenches: Problem-solving Courts and Therapeutic Jurisprudence, 65 Maryland L. Rev. 82 (2005) (with Richard Boldt)

Still Hostile After All These Years? Gender, Work & Family Revisited, 44 Villanova L. Rev. 297 (1999)

Adoption, Identity and the Constitution, 2 U. Pa. J. Constitutional Law 150 (1999) reprinted in FAMILIES BY LAW: AN ADOPTION READER (NYU Press, 2003)

Husbands, Wives and Human Capital: Why the Shoe Won't Fit, 31 Family L. Q. 117 (1997)

Alimony and Efficiency: The Gendered Costs and Benefits of the Economic Justification For Alimony, 82 Georgetown L. J. 2423 (1994)

Divorce Obligations and Bankruptcy Discharge: Rethinking The Support/Property Distinction, 30 Harv. J. Legis. 43 (1993)

The Privatization of Family Law, 1992 Wisconsin L. Rev. 1443

Women's Work, 11 Report from the Institute of Philosophy & Public Policy 1 (Winter 1991) (reprinted in 17 Women's International Network News 74, Autumn, 1991)

Divorce Reform and Gender Justice, 67 North Carolina L. Rev. 301 (1989)

Women In The Law School: It's Time For More Change, 6 Law & Inequality 135 (1988) (with Karen Czapanskiy)

A Dissent On Joint Custody, 47 Maryland L. Rev. 497 (1988) (with William B. Reynolds)

Minors' Abortion Rights: How Much Parental Involvement May A State Mandate? 3 Preview 77 (1987)

Professional Offices and Activities

American Bar Association Commission on Women & the Profession, AALS Liaison

American Law Institute, Member

AALS Section on Family & Juvenile Law, Executive Committee (Section Chair, 2000)

Family Court Review, Editorial Board Member (2002 – present)

Family & Children's Law Abstracts, Advisory Board (2002 - present)

Law Faculty Advisory Committee, AFCC Family Law Education Reform Project (2004-present)

The Women's Law Center of Maryland, Advisory Board, (1995-present)

Selected Recent Presentations

"A Cautious Feminist Defense of Marriage," Southeastern Law School Association, 2009 Annual Conference, Palm Beach, Florida, August 7, 2009

"Hearing Children's Voices in Family Court Processes: Which Way is Forward?" Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Annual Conference, New Orleans, May 28, 2009

"The Evidence is In: The Results of the University of Maryland School of Law Alumni Survey, Conference on Retaining and Advancing Women in Challenging Economic Times," University of Maryland School of Law, April 24, 2009 (with Paula Monopoli)

Commentary: "Surrogacy and the Politics of Commodification," Baby-Selling Roundtable, George Washington University School of Law, April 17, 2009

"Resolving Family Conflicts," Faculty Colloquium and Book Presentation, University of Baltimore School of Law, April 1, 2009

"Dispute Resolution and the Post-Divorce Family: Legal and Ethical Concerns" Conference on Advances in Family Dispute Resolution, Indiana University School of Law, November 15, 2008

"Executive Power, the Bush Administration and the Courts," Constitution Day Program, University of Maryland School of Law, September 17, 2008

"Interstate Parenthood: Conflict of Laws and Parental Status," Southeastern Association of Law Schools 61st Annual Meeting, Family Law Workshop, Palm Beach, Florida, August 1, 2008

"It's Not Your Father's Law School: The Impact of Women on Legal Education" Northeast Association of Pre-Law Advisors Annual Conference, Cornell University School of Law, June 13, 2008

"When Family Members Disagree: Principles and Paradigms for Resolving Intra-family Disputes,"
Conference on New Frontiers in Family Law, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, February 29, 2008

"Dispute Resolution and the Post-Divorce Family: Legal and Ethical Concerns" Conference on Advances
in Family Dispute Resolution, Indiana University School of Law, November 15, 2007

"Resolving Family Conflicts: Implications of a Paradigm Shift," International Association of Law & Mental
Health, 35th Anniversary Conference, Padua, Italy, June 26, 2007

"Psychological Testing in Custody Evaluations: Legal and Social Justice Implications,"
AFCC Annual Conference, Washington, D.C., May 31, 2007

"Juristocracy in the Trenches: Problem-Solving Courts and Therapeutic Jurisprudence," Constitutional
Law Schmooze, University of Maryland School of Law, March 11, 2005

"Colloquium on Family Law Teaching and Curricular Reform," Hofstra University School of Law,
November 6, 2004

"The Sway of the Swing Vote: Justice Sandra Day O'Connor and Her Influence on Issues of Race,
Religion, Gender and Class" University of Maryland School of Law, October 28, 2004

"Marriage, Biology and Paternity: Rethinking the Connections, Faculty Workshop, University of
Maryland School of Law, September 9, 2004

"Legal Options for Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, Maryland Legal Services Partnership
Conference, Baltimore, Maryland, May 20, 2004

"Guido Calabresi as a Teacher and Mentor," Calabresi's The Cost of Accidents: A Generation of Impact
on Law and Scholarship, University of Maryland School of Law, April 23, 2004

"Gender Balanced Mediation: Keeping the Playing Field Level," MACRO Family ADR Initiative
Conference, University of Maryland, Shady Grove Center, May 4, 2004

"Assessments of Title IX and Workplace Policies Aimed At Women and Families" National Conference
of Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 6, 2004