

# Professor Lisa Kelly

## Academic Experience

- 2009-present University of Washington School of Law  
**Jon and Bobbe Bridge Endowed Professor of Child Advocacy**
- Children and Youth Advocacy Clinic, Director
    - Undocumented, homeless, and state dependent youth advocacy
    - Impact work on the child's right to counsel in dependency proceedings in the courts and legislature
  - Principle Investigator for the Court Improvement Training Academy
  - Additional courses: Child Advocacy Seminar; Interviewing and Counseling; Family Law; Advanced Family Law; Queer Youth Advocacy Seminar; Limited License Legal Technician Family Law III training
- 2007-2009 University of Washington School of Law  
**Associate Dean**  
**Jon and Bobbe Bridge Endowed Professor of Child Advocacy**
- Year 1: Associate Dean responsible for clinical legal programming, externships, academic scheduling, student services generally
  - Year 2: Associate Dean responsible for faculty development, working closely with the Interim Dean on budget and overall law school management
  - Principle Investigator for the Court Improvement Training Academy
  - Courses: Child Advocacy Seminar; Interviewing and Counseling
- 2006-2007 University of Washington School of Law  
**Jon and Bobbe Bridge Endowed Professor of Child Advocacy**
- Children and Youth Advocacy Clinic, Director
  - Also taught Child Advocacy Seminar
  - Established the Court Improvement Training Academy
  - Together with Prof. Kim Ambrose, established Legislative Advocacy Clinic.
- 2003-2006 University of Washington School of Law  
**Professor and Director of the Children and Youth Advocacy Clinic**
- Also taught Child Advocacy Seminar and Family Law
- 2002-2003 University of Washington School of Law  
**Harry Cross Distinguished Visiting Professor**
- Interim Director, Child Advocacy Clinic
  - Also taught Child Advocacy Seminar and Family Law
- 1996-2002 West Virginia University College of Law

**Professor and Deputy Director of Clinical Program**

- General civil clinic with domestic violence, family law and public benefits focus
- Additional courses: Family Law, Trial Advocacy, Torts, Education Law
- Developed and provided interdisciplinary training to law students for certification as GALs

1992-1996 West Virginia University Seattle, WA

**Associate Professor and Deputy Director of Clinical Program**

- Deputy director, general civil clinic with domestic violence, family law and public benefits focus
- Additional courses: Family Law, Trial Advocacy, Race & the American Legal Process, Child, Family & State

**Practice Experience**

1985–1992 Hunt & Kelly Pine Bluff, AR

**Partner**

- Class action civil rights, voting rights, and employment discrimination
- Local counsel for the NAACP Legal Defense Fund
- Family law

1982- 1985 R.J. Brown, PA Little Rock, AR

**Associate**

- Chapter 11 Corporate Reorganizations
- Civil Rights litigation

**Education**

1979-1982 University of Pennsylvania Law School JD

1975-1979 University of Pittsburgh BA

**Publications**

Lisa Kelly & Kimberly Ambrose, REPRESENTING YOUTH: TELLING STORIES OF YOUTH & THE LAW (forthcoming Carolina Academic Press, August 2017)

Lisa Kelly & Alicia LeVezu, *Until the Client Speaks: Reviving the Legal Interest Model for Pre-verbal Children* (forthcoming Family Law Quarterly, Special Ethics Issue Fall 2017).

Cynthia Mabry & Lisa Kelly, ADOPTION LAW: THEORY, POLICY AND PRACTICE (2d Edition, 2010)

Cynthia Mabry & Lisa Kelly, ADOPTION LAW: THEORY, POLICY AND PRACTICE (William S. Hein & Co., Inc. 2007)

*Conceiving Nonmarital Fathers’ Rights: An Inquiry into the Constitutionality of West*

*Virginia's Adoption Statute*, 102 W.Va. L.Rev. 667 (2000)

*West Virginia's Adoption Statute: A History of a Work in Progress*, 102 W.Va. L.Rev. 1 (Fall 1999)

*Chain Gangs, Boogeymen and Other Real Prisons of the Imagination*, 5 Race & Ethnicity L.Jl. 1 (Spring 1999)

*Yearning for Lake Wobegon: The Quest for the Best Test at the Expense of the Best Education*, 7 S. Cal. Interdisciplinary L.Jl. 41 (Nov. 1998).

*Divining the Deep and Inscrutable: Toward a Gender-Neutral, Child-Centered Approach to Child Name Change Proceedings*, 99 W.Va.L.Rev. 1 (Fall 1996)

*Race and Place: Geographic and Transcendent Community in the Post-Shaw Era*, 49 Vanderbilt L.Rev. 22 (March 1996). Winner of the AALS Scholarly Paper Prize; Significant Scholarship Award

*If Anybody Asks You Who I Am: An Outsider's Story of the Duty to Establish Paternity*. 6 Yale J.L. & Fem. 297 (Summer 1994). Reprinted in Symposium Issue, 3 American Jl. of Gender & L. 247 (Spring 1995)

## Presentations

December 9, 2016, *Practicing Family Law in Uncertain Times*, Alaska Bar Association, Anchorage, AK

June 4, 2016, *Father Engagement in Child Welfare Proceedings*, Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, Seattle, Washington

October 16, 2015, *Developmentally-Informed Representation of Young Children in Child Welfare*, organized, hosted, and moderated day-long program for lawyers and law students, University of Washington School of Law

May 5, 2015, *Embracing Change: Using an Eco-Cycle Model to Understand the Challenges Facing Clinical Legal Education*, AALS Clinical Legal Education Conference, Rancho Mirage, California.

July 23, 2013, *Representing Youth—A Narrative Text in the Making*, Applied Legal Storytelling Conference, City University, London.

April 28, 2013, *Steal Away*, Receipt of First Prize for CLEA Creative Writing Competition for the Short Story, AALS Clinical Legal Education Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

April 28, 2013, *Dear Son*, Receipt of First Prize for CLEA Creative Writing Competition for Poetry, AALS Clinical Legal Education Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

July 12, 2012, *Ceding Power and Seeding Power: Toward a Non-Hierarchical Clinical Education*, 10<sup>th</sup> Annual International Clinical Legal Education Conference, Durham, United Kingdom.

June 12-17, 2011, *Finding Our Roots, Nesting in the Branches: A Law and Social Work Collaboration to Strengthen Family Group Conferencing*, Poster Presentation, AALS Clinical Conference, Seattle Washington.

February 25, 2011, *Symposium on Global Law and Its Exceptions*, Commentator on

Global Family Law Panel, University of Washington School of Law

February 22, 2011, *LGBT Bullying Panel*, Moderator, University of Washington School of Law

January 21, 2011, *A Letter to My Son*, Seattle Public Schools GSA Fundraiser, Seattle, Washington.

December 11, 2010, *Is it a Clinic, an Externship or Something Else? Shedding Orthodoxies While Developing Transformative Conceptual Frameworks for Experiential Learning Opportunities*, Society of American Law teachers Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii.

April 9, 2010, *Child Protection and Child Welfare Systems in the United States: Building a Better System*, Japanese Bar Association, Tokyo, Japan

April 7, 2010, *The Children and Youth Advocacy Clinic: Holistic Approach to Client-Centered Advocacy for Youth*, Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan

April 6, 2010, *The Children and Youth Advocacy Clinic: Holistic Approach to Client-Centered Advocacy for Youth* Dokkyo Law School, Soka, Japan

July 23, 2009, *Orphan Epics: Representing the Adolescent Client in Dependency Proceedings*, Applied Legal Storytelling Conference, Lewis & Clark, Portland, Oregon.

April 2009 Washington Judicial Conference, *Permanency for Children in Washington State*, Washington

2008-2009: *Meaningful Advocacy for Youth in the Child Welfare System*, presented in numerous forums throughout the state as a part of the Court Improvement Training Academy

January 31, 2008, Bobbe & Jon Bridge Professorship Installation, *Telling Children's Stories: Legal Advocacy for Children and Youth*.

January 3, 2008, AALS Conference, N.Y., N.Y., Panel on Children and Families and the Intersection of Gender, Race and Class, *The Intersection of Child Advocacy and Race: Disproportionality and Models of Representation*

October 19, 2007, Celebrating the Decade Past, the Decade Ahead, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, *Right Around the Corner: Emerging Rights Theories for Children in State Care*

June 2007, *Advocating For and Against Mental Health Treatment for Adolescents in the Child Welfare System*, International Congress of Mental Health Law, Padua Italy.

July 22, 2007, *Telling Children's Stories*, International Conference of Applied Storytelling, City University, London, England.

2005-2006, *Diving After Snorkeling: Ruminations on Scholarship Directions after Authoring a Text Book*, Faculty Colloquium.

Fall 2006, *Legal Partnerships with the Center for Infant Mental Health*, Center for Infant Mental Health Luncheon.

Fall 2006, *Finding Our Roots: Helping Adolescents Connect with Family*, Washington

State Annual Conference for Foster Parents and Caregivers, Spokane, Washington.

September 2005, *Meaningful Advocacy for Adolescents in the Child Welfare System*, WDA and CAYAC Sponsored CLE.

2005, *Washington State Osteopathic Association: Minors' Rights to Consent to Treatment and Privacy Under HIPAA*.

2005, *Meaningful Advocacy for Youth in Care*, Island County CASA.

2005, *Working with Families of GLBT Youth*, GLBT Youth Summit.

2004, *Child Advocacy Central: Information is Power*, Launch Event Presentation, Seattle, WA

2003, *Lawrence v. Texas and the Marriage for Same-Sex Couples Debate: Moderator*, Seattle, WA

2003, *Whole Child Advocacy*, A lecture to commemorate the opening of William H. Gates Hall, Seattle, WA.

June 2001, *The ALI Custody Standards: An Interactive Presentation*, Vermont Judicial College, Breadloaf Conference Center, VT.

2000-2001 WVLR Symposium, *Conceiving Nonmarital Fathers' Rights*, Family Law in the Year 2000

West Virginia Continuing Legal Education, Family Law 1993-2001

Family Law Topics, West Virginia Judicial College, 1998-2001

*Conceiving Father' Rights*, International Society of Family Law, Brisbane, Australia, July 2000

*Law Works*, West Virginia Public Television, Broadcast state-wide, August to February 2000.

*Getting Unstuck Without Becoming Unglued*, AALS – Women's Section, Washington, D.C., October 1999.

*Race and Place*, AALS, San Antonio, TX, January 1996.

*Affirmative Action: Myths, Rhetoric & Reality*, Statewide Civil Rights Organizations, Charleston, WV, 1995 & 1996

*Special Problems in Section 2 Challenges to the Election of Judges*, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights, New Orleans, LA, November 1995

*Alternative Remedies in the Election of State Trial Court Judges*, National Bar Association, Detroit, MI, October 1995

*Race and Place*, Association of American Geographers, Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, March 1995

*If Anybody Asks You Who I Am*, Washington College of Law, Washington, D.C., April 1994.