

2018 January Intersession - Faculty Profiles

Tom Clark

Tom is currently a partner with The Wagner Law Group a labor and employment firm. He provides counsel to both employers and retirement industry service providers in all aspects of employee benefits law. He also is a litigator with the firm specializing in ERISA and commercial litigation. Tom also serves as general counsel and ERISA counsel to FRA PlanTools, a fiduciary consulting and technology firm based in Charlotte, NC. For 5 years, Tom served as legal counsel representing employee/plan participant rights in prominent ERISA litigation filed in numerous district courts, as well as appeals to the 2nd, 3rd, 7th, and 9th Circuits and the US Supreme Court. He is also the Editor-in-Chief of the Fiduciary Matters Blog and the ERISA Litigation Index, which tracks and provides updates for prominent ERISA litigation and is read by nearly 10,000 in the retirement industry on a monthly basis. Tom is a double Washington University in St. Louis Law School graduate, receiving his J.D. in 2007 and his LL.M. in Taxation with an emphasis in employee benefits in 2008.

Erick Creach

Erick S. Creach is a shareholder in Gilmore & Bell, P.C.'s St. Louis office. After completing law school, Mr. Creach served a one year term as law clerk to the Honorable Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr., on the Supreme Court of Missouri. He is licensed to practice in Missouri and Illinois. Mr. Creach received his B.S. degree in Economics from Missouri State University, summa cum laude, and his J.D. from the University of Missouri - Columbia, cum laude, where he was an Associate Managing Editor of the Missouri Law Review. Mr. Creach also holds an Executive LL.M. in Taxation from New York University School of Law.

Michael Downey

Michael Downey is a legal ethics lawyer and founder of the Downey Law Group LLC, a law firm devoted to legal ethics, law firm risk management, and the law of lawyering. Michael regularly represents lawyers, their clients, judges, and other professionals in high stakes and complex civil litigation and disciplinary proceedings. Michael also serves as outside general counsel to numerous law firms. He has also provided expert testimony on legal ethics and law practice matters in Missouri, Kansas, and the District of Columbia. In addition to his law practice, Mike teaches legal ethics and law firm practice at Washington University School of Law and professional responsibility at St. Louis University School of Law. He has presented on legal ethics and law practice more than 200 times in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom. Author of the book Introduction to Law Firm Practice (2010), Mike has published more than 60 articles on legal ethics and law practice. Mike has also been a guest on NPR's Talk of the Nation and has been interviewed more than 100 times on legal ethics and law practice by major news and professional publications including the New York Times, National Law Journal, Wall Street Journal, and ABA Journal. Michael served as Chair of the ABA Law Practice Division and on the ABA Task Force on the Future of Legal Education. He writes the "Ethox and Paradox" ethics columns for the Litigation magazine, as well as an ethics column for the St. Louis Lawyer. His past bar experience includes serving on the ABA Ethics 20/20 Commission's Technology Working Group and chairing the Ethics & Technology Committee of the ABA Center for Professional Responsibility, the Illinois State Bar Association's Standing Committee on Professional Conduct, and the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis's Professionalism and Ethics Committee. Mike graduated first in his class from Washington University School of Law and clerked for the Hon. Pasco M. Bowman, then serving as Chief Judge of

the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. He also holds a graduate certificate in Law Firm Management at George Washington University.

Eileen Kamerick

Ms. Kamerick is currently Senior Advisor for ConnectWise.com, Inc., the developer of a worldwide leading business management software platform. In this role Ms. Kamerick is responsible for all accounting functions, facilities and procurement, human resources, tax, and treasury and financial planning and analysis. Additionally, Ms. Kamerick serves as an adjunct professor at Washington University in St Louis and University of Iowa law schools and consults and lectures on corporate governance matters. From October 2012 to July 2014, Ms. Kamerick served as Chief Financial Officer of Press Ganey Associates, Inc., a recognized leader in health care performance improvement. From 2010 to 2012, Ms. Kamerick served as Managing Director and Chief Financial Officer of Houlihan Lokey, an international investment bank and advisory firm. She also served as President of the Houlihan Lokey Foundation, which oversees Houlihan Lokey, Inc.'s charitable activities. From 2008 to 2010, Ms. Kamerick served as Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Legal Officer of Tecta America Corporation, the largest commercial roofing company in the United States. Prior to joining Tecta America Corporation, she served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of BearingPoint, Inc., a management and technology consulting firm from May 2008 to June 2008. On February 18, 2009, BearingPoint, Inc. filed for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. Ms. Kamerick has also served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer at leading companies including Heidrick and Struggles International, Inc.; Leo Burnett; and BP Amoco Americas. She serves on the board of Associated Banc-Corp and Westell Technologies, Inc and serves as Chair of the Audit Committee for both companies. Additionally, she serves on the boards of the Boys and Girls Club of Chicago, Eckerd Kids, Cristo Rey College Preparatory High School and the Juvenile Protective Association. She qualifies as a financial expert under the NYSE standards. Ms. Kamerick's executive experience with public and private companies, her knowledge of corporate governance as well as her service on public company boards qualify her to serve on the Board of Directors and as the Chair of the Audit Committee.

Justin Perryman

Justin D. Perryman was born and raised in St. Louis, Missouri and now resides and is a practicing attorney in Houston, Texas specializing in business and contract law in the fields of oil & gas, communications and health care. Prior to moving to Texas in 1995 he was an attorney working in Mexico City, Mexico specializing in international investment and trade law in the fields of telecommunications, utilities, food & beverage and transportation. He is fluent in conversational and business Spanish and services numerous Latin American clients. Justin maintains business interests in several local companies ranging from health care, real estate and government contracting. Justin sits on the boards of several companies and non-profit organizations. In addition to his professional civilian career, Justin is a Major in the Texas Army National Guard and is currently the Staff Judge Advocate for the 71st Troop Command, Texas Army National Guard. Justin has deployed overseas in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in the Sinai for Rotation #49 with the Multi-National Forces & Observers where he was the Command Judge Advocate for the 1-124 Calvary Squadron of the 36th Infantry Division. He was the legal advisor for Texas Military Forces during Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Gustav and Ike, trial defense advisor during Operation Jump Start Border Mission, as well as the Challenger Space Shuttle Recovery Mission. Justin has deployed for shorter missions to the Czech Republic and Honduras with the National Guard. He most recently deployed with the 136th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade of the 36th Infantry Division to Kabul, Afghanistan deployed as the Command Judge Advocate for Task Force Centurion which had command and control over the Kabul Base Cluster consisting of eight bases and ten thousand military personnel and contractors. Justin is the former President of the National Guard Association of Texas with over 30,000 members where he advocates for military and veteran issues in Austin

and Washington. Justin lives in Katy with his family on a twenty acre tree farm where they raise alpacas, llamas and miniature donkeys. He is a boy scout leader and soccer coach for the past twenty seasons. Justin is the longest serving judge advocate for the Katy chapters of the American Legion and VFW, as well as a long time member of the Houston Livestock and Rodeo. Justin was educated at Tulane, Georgetown and Washington Universities where he earned a bachelors, masters and juris doctorate degrees. He has taught at as an adjunct professor for the University of Maryland and Central Texas College while deployed to Egypt and Afghanistan with the US Army and most recently with Washington University School of Law. Justin has filed as a candidate for State Representative in District 132 in northwest Harris County, Texas.

Brian Wolfe

Brian Wolfe is a corporate partner in the Chicago office of Kirkland & Ellis LLP, where his practice focuses on complex private equity and public company business transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, capital markets transactions and corporate governance counseling. Outside of the law firm, Brian serves as a member of the board of directors of the Chicago Legal Clinic. Brian previously served as Deputy Superintendent and Chief Operating Officer of the St. Louis Public Schools.