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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law

Professor of Health Law and Director of Graduate Health Sciences Programs, 2018-present

- Launched and direct fully online, multidisciplinary Graduate Certificates in Health Law and a Master of Legal Studies in Health Law & Policy in collaboration with the Colleges of Pharmacy, Public Health, Social & Behavioral Sciences, Management, and the Critical Path Institute.

University of Melbourne, School of Population and Global Health

Health Law Fellow in Law and Public Health Group, 2016 – present

Director of Aging Programs, 2013-2016

- Managed a multiyear research project with Victoria's primary regulator of the legal profession, Legal Services Board & Commissioner, to identify risk factors for complaints against lawyers.
- Created a fully online, multidisciplinary Master of Aging by bridging graduate schools in business, health sciences, architecture, engineering, and the arts. Oversaw development for 13-subjects, recruited faculty and led a Coursera Massive Open Online Course called [Rethinking Aging](#).
- Enrolled 250 students in the master's degree and 20,000 students are registered for the MOOC.
- Established an international Aging Industry Network with 350 members from across Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Hong Kong, China, United Kingdom, Canada, and the United States.

Saint Louis University, School of Public Health and Social Justice

Adjunct Associate Professor in Health Management and Policy, 2011 – 2013

- Designed and delivered the first online course in Organization of Health Services and Health Policy for Community Benefit as part of the Master of Health Administration.

EDUCATION AND RELATED POSITIONS

University of Houston Law Center

Juris Doctor with specialization in Health Law and Policy, 2007

- Research associate in health policy with **Texas Department of Insurance**
- Summer associate in health policy and planning with **Food and Drug Administration**
- Summer associate in medical ethics with **MD Anderson Cancer Center**

University of Texas Health Sciences Center

Master of Public Health in Management, Policy and Community Health, 2007

- Health policy analyst with **City of Houston Mayor's Office of Health & Environment Policy**
- Thesis: "Pay or Play: Government Initiatives to Expand Employer-Based Health Insurance"

Tulane University

Magna cum laude in Political Science, Minor awarded in English Literature, 2002

- Tulane University Dunbar Award in Political Science for Academic Excellence
- Newcomb College Dreyfus Award for Advocacy in Women's Health

PUBLICATIONS

Tara Sklar, Yamna Taouk, David Studdert, Matthew Spittal, Ron Paterson, and Marie Bismark, *Characteristics of Lawyers who are Subject to Complaints and Misconduct Findings*, 17 J. Empirical Legal Stud. 2 (2019) ([SSRN](#)).

Tara Sklar, *Elderly Gun Ownership and the Wave of State Red Flag Laws: An Unintended Consequence That Could Help Many*, 27 Elder L. J. 1 (2019) ([SSRN](#)).

Tara Sklar and Rachel Zuraw, *Preparing to Age in Place: The Role of Medicaid Waivers in Elder Abuse Prevention*, 28 *Ann of Health L.* 2 (2019) ([SSRN](#)).

Tara Sklar, *Retirement and Aging: A Reordering of Priorities*, in *Living Life, Loving Life Young and Old* 136 (Helen Sykes & Grant Blashki eds. 2014) ([chapter](#)).

UNDER REVIEW

Tara Sklar, Jennifer Moore, Yamna Taouk, and Marie Bismark, *Vulnerability to Legal Misconduct: Qualitative Study of Regulatory Decisions Involving Problem Lawyers and Their Clients* ([SSRN](#)).

Marie Bismark, Yamna Taouk, Tara Sklar, Matthew Spittal, Jennifer Moore, and David Studdert *Targeting Problem Lawyers: Identifying Lawyers at High Risk of Complaint in Victoria, Australia*.

EDITORIAL SERVICE, PEER REVIEWER

Associate Editor, *Global Biosecurity*, School of Public Health and Community Medicine, University of New South Wales, Australia, 2018-present.

Peer reviewer, *Journal of General Internal Medicine*, 2018-present.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Designed and oversee the curricula for eight courses in the Regulatory Science and Health Law for Health Professionals Graduate Certificates, and provide guest lectures throughout the coursework, including in *Legal and Regulatory Fundamentals for Health Care Business* on Long-Term Care and the *Regulatory Science Series* on Personal Data Protection in Clinical Research.

Created and led a Massive Open Online Course called [Rethinking Aging: Are we prepared to live longer?](#) University of Melbourne and Coursera, 2014-present.

Leadership in Practice (with Louisa Remedios), Melbourne School of Health Sciences, Spring 2015.

Public Health Leadership (with Rob Moodie), Melbourne School of Population and Global Health, 2013-2015.

Organization of Health Services and Health Policy for Community Benefit, Saint Louis University, School of Public Health and Social Justice, 2011- 2013.

Ethics, Values, and Public Health Policy (with Christina Cutshaw), University of Arizona, Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health, Fall 2010.

Health Law (with Christopher Robertson), University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law, Fall 2010.

HONORS AND GRANTS

Honors:

- Teaching Excellence in Innovation Award, University of Melbourne, 2016
- Commitment to Excellence Award, Ascension Health/Carondelet Health Network, 2010
- Interdisciplinary Health Care Award, University of Texas Health Sciences Center, 2007

Grants:

- Aging Research Initiative, \$660,000, University of Melbourne Hallmark in Research, 2015
- MOOC on Population Aging, \$34,955, University of Melbourne Teaching Initiatives, 2015
- Master of Aging, \$225,000, University of Melbourne Online Development, 2014
- Aging in Asia, \$3,000, Asia-Pacific Research Symposium, 2014
- Your Health (TuSalud), \$982,577, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, 2009
- Southern Arizona Health Village for the Homeless, \$2,000,000, private donor, 2009

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Personal Data Protection and the Road to Regulatory Harmonization, National Academy of Science Roundtable on Law and Medical Devices, Washington DC, March 25, 2019.

Preparing to Age in Place: The Role of Medicaid Waivers in Elder Abuse Prevention, 2019 Association of American Law Schools, Law, Medicine, and Health Care Works in Progress Session for New Law and Medicine Scholars, New Orleans, January 3, 2019.

Preparing to Age in Place: The Role of Medicaid Waivers in Elder Abuse Prevention, Beazley Institute Symposium on Health Care and Policy, Loyola University Chicago School of Law, November 16, 2018.

Vulnerability to Legal Misconduct: Qualitative Study of Regulatory Decisions Involving Problem Lawyers, ASLME Health Law Professors Conference, Case Western University, June 8, 2018.

Targeting Problem Lawyers: Identifying Lawyers at High Risk of Complaint in Victoria, Australia. Georgetown Law School, O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law, March 28, 2018.

Characteristics of Lawyers Who are Subject to Complaints and Misconduct Findings. QuantLaw Conference, University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law, March 1, 2018.

Characteristics of Lawyers Who are Subject to Complaints and Misconduct Findings. Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Cornell University, October 14, 2017.

Hotspots of Risk in the Legal Workforce: Evidence from a Legal Regulator in Victoria, Australia, Faculty of Law, University of Melbourne, August 8, 2017.

Unexpected Benefits of Making a Massive Open Online Course, Council on Academics Public Health Institutions Australia Annual Conference, Tasmania, Australia, September 21, 2015.

Building a Pathway from a MOOC to an Online Graduate Course, E-Learning Colloquium, Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences, University of Melbourne, October 20, 2014.

TuSalud Cover the Uninsured Model, Robert Wood Johnson, National Webinar, May 14, 2010.

Telemedicine Diabetes for Rural Communities, Catholic Health Association, Denver, June 15, 2010.

MEDIA

“Can Doctors Prevent Firearm Suicides by the Elderly?” *Kriminals*, December 19, 2018 ([text](#)).

“Could ‘Red Flag’ Laws Reduce Gun Violence Among the Elderly?” *The Crime Report*, November 15, 2018 ([text](#)).

“The Notable Absence of Regulating Cannabis in FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb’s Keynote Speech” *Bill of Health (Harvard Law)*, May 4, 2018 ([text](#)).

“A New National Strategy to Address Australia’s Social Infrastructure Gap for an Aging Population” *University of Melbourne*, Issue 10, April 2018 ([text](#)).

“University Pioneers Courses to Produce Leaders in Field of Aging” *ONECOTA*, July 2015.

“Aged Care Partners Drive Leadership Development” *ACSA National Report*, April 30, 2015.

“New Interdisciplinary MOOC on Aging” *Australian Aging Agenda*, March 18, 2015 ([text](#)).

“The Evidence-Based Road” *Healthcare Executive*, July 1, 2010 ([text](#)).

ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Ascension Health / Carondelet Health Network

Director of Access and Community Health, 2008-2010

- Managed all aspects of Carondelet’s Community Benefit and Social Accountability Department with a 10-person staff and \$2 million annual budget.
- Recognized as a best practice Community Benefit Program by Catholic Health Association for innovative programs that support Carondelet’s non-profit, tax-exempt status.

Bastyr University

Institutional Review Board Coordinator, 2002-2004

- Performed preliminary review for all clinical trials submitted to Bastyr's Office of Research Integrity to ensure compliance with the Office of Human Research Protections.
- Taught classes on human subject research protections in clinical trials with alternative and complementary medicine.
- Drafted grant applications to the NIH National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health.

SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

University of Arizona Health Science, Strategic Initiative on Healthy Aging, Advisory Group Member, 2019-present.

University of Arizona Health Science, Strategic Initiative on Interprofessional Education, Advisory Group Member, 2019-present.

University of Arizona College of Law, Online Programs Committee, Member, 2019-present.

University of Arizona College of Law, Online Initiatives Group, Member, 2018-present.

PwC, National Aging Advisory Group, Steering Committee Member, 2016-present.

University of Melbourne, Teaching and Learning Committee, Member, 2013-2015.

University of Melbourne, Online Learning Environments Committee, Member, 2013-2015.

Public Health Indigenous Leadership Education Australian Network, Member, 2011-2013.

Catholic Health Association, National Community Benefit Committee, Member, 2010-2011.

Child and Family Resources, Governance Committee, Chair, 2009- 2011.

Arizona Hospital & Healthcare Association, Legislative Affairs Committee, Member, 2008-2010.