

# TESSA L. DYSART

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## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

**THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA, JAMES E. ROGERS COLLEGE OF LAW**, Tucson, Arizona  
*Assistant Director of Legal Writing*, July 2017–Present  
*Associate Clinical Professor of Law*, July 2017–Present

**REGENT UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**, Virginia Beach, Virginia  
*Assistant Professor*, January 2012–June 2017  
*Adjunct Professor*, January 2011–December 2011

**Selected Courses:** Appellate Advocacy; Advanced Appellate Advocacy; Apprenticeships; Constitutional Law I, II (Honors & Non-honors); Federal Courts; First Amendment; Legislation

### Selected Moot Court:

- Advisor, Moot Court Board (2015–2016)
  - Ranked 5th nationwide after 2015–2016 Academic Year (tied for highest ever by Regent)
- Coach, Charleston School of Law National Moot Court Competition (2016)
  - First place (2016)
- Coach, Touro National Moot Court Competition in Law & Religion (2014–2015)
  - First place (2015)
  - Second place; best oralist (2014)
- Coach, George Washington National Religious Freedom Moot Court Competition (2013–2015)
  - Second place; best oralist (2014, 2015)

### Other Activities:

- Managing Editor, Appellate Advocacy Blog,  
[http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate\\_advocacy/](http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy/) (2016–present)

## EDUCATION

**HARVARD LAW SCHOOL**, Cambridge, Massachusetts  
Juris Doctor, June 2005

**Journal:** Co-managing Editor (2004–2005), *Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy*

**FULBRIGHT**, Moscow, Russia  
Moscow Institute for Advanced Studies, 2001–2002

**WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY**, Salem, Oregon  
Bachelor of Arts, *magna cum laude*, May 2001  
**Majors:** History & Russian

- Phi Beta Kappa

## PUBLICATIONS

Forthcoming (Summer 2017)—Aldisert, Southwick, Dysart, *Winning on Appeal* (NITA 3d. Edition).

*The Origination Clause, the Affordable Care Act, and Indirect Constitutional Violations*, Cornell Journal of Law & Public Policy, Vol. 24, 2015.

*Child, Victim, or Prostitute? Justice Through Immunity for Prostituted Children*, Duke Journal of Gender Law & Policy, Vol. 21, 2014.

*The Protected Innocence Initiative: Building Protective State Law Regimes for America's Sex-Trafficked Children*, Columbia Human Rights Law Review, Vol. 44, 2013.

## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS, PANELS

*New Scholars, New Insights: The Road to Scholarship as Seen by Newer Professors*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, 2016 Annual Conference, Amelia Island, Florida, August 2016.

*Protecting Sex Trafficked Children—Justice Through Immunity*, Duke Journal of Gender Law & Policy Symposium, Duke University School of Law, Durham, North Carolina, March 2014.

- Savannah Law School Federalist Society, Savannah, Georgia, February 2016.
- Charlotte Federalist Society Lawyers Chapter, Charlotte, North Carolina, June 2016
- Montgomery Federalist Society Lawyers Chapter, Montgomery, Alabama, June 2016

*Human Trafficking*, Panel discussion sponsored by Campbell Law Federalist Society, Raleigh, North Carolina, February 2016.

*The Origination Clause, the Affordable Care Act, and Indirect Constitutional Violations*, Regent Law School Faculty Colloquium, Virginia Beach, Virginia, October 2015.

*The Constitution: Do Words Mean What They Say?*, Regent University, Virginia Beach, Virginia, September 2015.

*Remaining Challenges to the Affordable Care Act*, Comments on talk by Prof. Steven J. Willis, Regent Law School Federalist Society, Regent University, Virginia Beach, Virginia, October 2014.

*OMG!: The Problems and Possibilities of Using Law and Technology in the Classroom*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, 2014 Annual Conference, Amelia Island, Florida, August 2014.

*Is there a Christian Perspective on Constitutional Interpretation?*, Regent Federalist Society, Regent University, Virginia Beach, Virginia, October 2013.

*Global-Local Terrorism: Contemporary Constitutional Issues*, Robertson School of Government, Regent University, Virginia Beach, Virginia, September 2013.

*Health Care and the Origination Clause: An Indirect Constitutional Violation?*, New Scholars Colloquia Presentation, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, 2013 Annual Conference, Palm Beach, Florida, August 2013.

*Fast Food & Free Speech*, Regent University, Virginia Beach, Virginia, September 2012.

*Women in Public Interest Careers*, Harvard Federalist Society, Office of Public Interest Advising at Harvard, and Women's Law Association, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, January 2012.

## LEGAL EXPERIENCE

**AMERICAN CENTER FOR LAW & JUSTICE**, Washington, D.C.; Virginia Beach, Virginia  
Associate Counsel, May 2009–January 2012

- Performed human trafficking legal research; prepared and filed legal briefs and researched federal judicial nominees.

**UNITED STATES SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**, Washington, D.C.  
Counsel, February 2008–May 2009

- Researched and reviewed records of federal judicial and executive nominees for the Ranking Member.

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF LEGAL POLICY**, Washington, D.C.  
Counsel, July 2006–January 2008

- Assisted the President and Attorney General in judicial selection and the confirmation vetting process for federal judicial nominees. Drafted Congressional reports and other public documents on trafficking in persons. Spoke at international conference on trafficking in persons.

**U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT**, Columbia, South Carolina  
Judicial Clerk to Hon. Dennis W. Shedd, August 2005–July 2006

**BAR ADMISSIONS:** District of Columbia; Oregon (inactive)

**TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP:** Muscogee (Creek) Nation