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SUMMARY

EXPERTISE

Bioethics; Health Care Law; Health Care Regulation; Health Justice; Public Health Law; & Structural and Social Determinants of Health

SELECT ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

The Ohio State University (2022 – present) **Columbus, OH**

Kara J Trott Professor in Health Law (Chair), Moritz College of Law, August 2022 – present

Faculty Affiliate, Kirwan Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity, August 2022 – present

Harvard Medical School (2020 – 2022) **Cambridge, MA**

Course Instructor, Center for Bioethics, December 2020 – June 2022

Saint Louis University School of Law (2018 – 2022) **Saint Louis, MO**

Faculty Affiliate and Director of Community Research Ethics, Institute for Healing Justice & Equity, Saint Louis University, July 2022 – present

Professor, Center for Health Care Ethics, Saint Louis University, October 2020 – August 2022

Tenured Professor of Law, Saint Louis University School of Law, July 2018 – August 2022

Executive Director and Co-Founder, Institute for Healing Justice & Equity, Saint Louis University, July 2018 – June 2022

LEGAL AND POLICY EXPERIENCE

U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit **Chicago, IL**

Law Clerk for the Honorable Ann Claire Williams, August 2002 – December 2002

Duane Morris, LLC **Chicago, IL**

Health Care Associate, August 2001 – August 2002; January 2003 – June 2003

Assumed primary drafting responsibility for pleadings regarding nursing home compliance

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services **Chicago, IL**

Assistant Regional Counsel, June 2000 – August 2001

“Performance Award” for Job Rating of Excellent from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the General Counsel, August 2001

CURRENT GRANT WORK

Co-Principal (Multiple) Investigator, NIH/NIAID R01 (\$3,776,351) (2022 – present)

Co-Principal Investigator, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation planning grant (\$715,323) (2021–present)([podcasts](#))

Co-Principal Investigator, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant (\$1,372,496) (2021 – present)

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center JD; May 2000

Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health MPH; May 2000

University of Michigan BS; August 1996

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

The Ohio State University

Columbus, OH

Kara J Trott Professor in Health Law (Chair), Moritz College of Law, August 2022 – present
Faculty Affiliate, Kirwan Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity, August 2022 – present
Professor, Department of Health Services Management and Policy, College of Public Health, August 2022 – present

Courses Taught

- Health Equity, Policy, and Advocacy; Advanced Health Equity, Policy, and Advocacy

Select Service and Honors

- *Planning Committee Member, [Health Disparities in the Medical Record and Disability: A Workshop](#), The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (2023 – present)*
- *Committee Member, [The Use of Race and Ethnicity in Biomedical Research](#), The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (2023 – present)*
- *Committee Member, The Intersection, where anti-racism and healthcare meet campaign, The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (2023 – present)*
- *Fellow, The American Bar Foundation (global honorary society of lawyers, law faculty, and others who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in the legal profession and service to society; limited to 1% of lawyers admitted to US practice)(2023- present)*
- *Committee Member, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections (2023-2027)*
- *Awardee, McDonald-Merrill-Ketcham Award, Indiana University (IU) McKinney School of Law and IU School of Medicine (2023)*
- *Reviewer, National Institutes of Health Interventions to Address Structural Racism to Reduce Kidney Health Disparities (U01 and U24) (2023)*
- *Co-Founder, [Collaborative for Anti-Racism and Equity \(CARE\)](#) created to support the movement to address Racism as a Public Health Crisis (2022-present)*
- *Co-Advisor, [Structural Racism](#) theme issue, HEALTH AFFAIRS (2022-2023)*
- *Consultant, Legal History of Structural Racism Work group, ChangeLab Solutions and the CDC - Public Health Law Program (2022-present)*
- *Consultant, Structural Racism in Public Health Project, Georgia Health Policy Center, Georgia State University (2022-present)*
- *Co-Editor, [Race Adjustment in Clinical Algorithms and Other Clinical Decision-making Tools](#) special issue, HEALTH EQUITY (2022- 2023)*
- *Member, Editorial Board, AMERICAN JOURNAL OF BIOETHICS (2021 – present)*
- *Partnering with the CDC - Public Health Law Program to train law students to complete legal surveillance and epidemiology projects (2020 – present)*
- *Co-Chair and Co-Sponsor, [Health Justice: Engaging Critical Perspectives in Health Law & Policy Initiative](#) (2020-present)*

Funded grant work

- *Co-Principal (Multiple) Investigator, Using Disadvantage Indices to Address Structural Racism and Discrimination in Pandemic Vaccine Allocation and Beyond, NIH/NIAID R01 (\$3,776,351) (2022 – 2027)*
- *Co-Principal Investigator, Developing an Equity-Centered Approach to Enforcing Housing Laws, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant (\$1,372,496) (2021 – 2025)*
- *Co-Principal Investigator, Using partnership and consensus building to transform health and the health care system, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation planning grant (\$715,323) (2021– 2023)([podcasts](#))*

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, William S. Richardson School of Law Honolulu, HI

Course Instructor, January 2022

Course Taught

- Race, Health, and Justice

Harvard Medical School

Cambridge, MA

Course Instructor, Center for Bioethics, December 2020 – June 2022

Course Co-taught

- Race, Gender, and Sexuality in Bioethics

Saint Louis University School of Law

Saint Louis, MO

Co-Founder and Director of Community Research Ethics, Institute for Healing Justice & Equity, Saint Louis University, July 2022 – present

Professor, Center for Health Care Ethics, Saint Louis University, October 2020 – August 2022

Tenured Professor of Law, Saint Louis University School of Law, July 2018 – August 2022

Executive Director, Institute for Healing Justice & Equity, Saint Louis University, July 2018 – June 2022

Courses Taught

- Health Care Regulation; Health Equity, Policy and Advocacy; Race, Health, and Justice

Select Service and Honors

- *Member, William C. Wefel Center for Employment Law (2020 – 2022)*
- *Member, Center for Health Studies (ranked within top two health law program in the country by U.S. News & World Report for 20 consecutive years) (2018 – 2022)*
- *Granter Reviewer, Swiss National Science Foundation (2022)*
- *Presented my revised social determinants of health model to the CDC - National Center for Chronic Disease and Health Promotion (2021)*
- *Consultant, Health Resources in Action regarding Robert Wood Johnson structural racism programming (2022)*
- *Consultant, Think Forward Strategies regarding Robert Wood Johnson equitable enforcement programming (2022)*
- *Member, Health Equity Task Force, Satcher Health Leadership Institute, Morehouse School of Medicine (2020 – 2021)*
- *Moderator and Participant, [American Health Law Association Convener on Racial Disparities in Health Care](#) (2021)*
- *Awardee, University of Iowa College of Law Innovation, Business & Law Award (with Ana Santos Rutschman) (2020)*
- *Panelist, [RAND Corporation Health Care Resource Allocation Decisionmaking During a Pandemic Report](#) (2020)*
- *Journal Reviewer, Bioethics; New England Journal of Medicine; Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities; American Journal of Bioethics; Medical Humanities; Yale Journal of Health Policy, Law & Ethics (2020 - present)*
- *Member, Advocacy Advisory Committee, Generate Health STL (2019 –2021)*

Funded grant work

- *Co-Principal Investigator, [Are Cities and Counties Ready to Use Racial Equity Tools to Influence Policy?](#), Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Policies for Action grant (\$345,000) (2018 – 2021)*

Selected Service as Executive Director of the [Institute for Healing Justice & Equity](#) (2018 – 2022)

- Grants
 - Institute received over \$1.6 million from Saint Louis University
 - Institute faculty awarded over \$7.1 million from government and philanthropy groups, including the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and U.S. Health Resources & Services Administration
- Research
 1. *Racism as a Public Health Crisis*
 - Published two reports tracking Racism as a Public Health Crisis declarations: [Racism is a Public Health Crisis: How Local Governments are Responding](#) (2022) and [Racism is a Public Health Crisis. Here's How to Respond Report](#) (2020)
 - Report used to support the passage of the University of Connecticut's Faculty Senate resolution declaring racism as a public health crisis
 - Testified in support of and Report used to support the [passage](#) of Connecticut [House Bill No. 6662](#), that declares racism as a public health crisis (2021)
 2. *Health Justice*
 - *Editor and Co-Sponsored*, [Blog Symposium: Health Justice: Engaging Critical Perspectives in Health Law and Policy](#), HARVARD LAW PETRIE-FLOM BILL OF HEALTH, Sept. 7, 2021
 - *Moderator*, [Health Justice Engaging Critical Perspectives in Health Law and Policy Webinar](#), Oct. 13, 2020
 - *Co-Sponsored*, "[Health Justice: Engaging Critical Perspectives in Health Law & Policy](#)" Conference with American University Washington College of Law and ChangeLab Solutions on October 2, 2020
 3. *Wage Pass Through for Direct Care Workers*
 - Conducted [50 state survey](#) of wage pass through laws for direct care workers for the Public Justice Center and published findings in a report (2020)
 - Interviewed about report by RTI International who is conducting a research study for the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (2022)
 - Report used by the National Governors Association Center for Best Practices and their consultants to create a report and a series of papers on Medicaid wage pass through and minimum wages for the direct care workforce (2022)
 - Report cited in an Oct. 2021 [research report](#) regarding worker displacement
 - Report featured in the Feb. 2021 newsletter of PHI National, the leading authority on the US direct care workforce
 4. *Employment Health Inequities*
 - *Co-Sponsored*, "[Health Inequities and Employment: The Continued Struggle for Justice](#)" Symposium with the William C. Wefel Center for Employment and the Saint Louis University Law Journal on March 31 and April 1, 2022
 - *Co-Sponsored*, "[Health Inequities and Employment: The New Civil Rights Struggle for Justice](#)" Journal issue Volume 14, Issue 1 (2020) with the Center for Health Law Studies and the Saint Louis University Journal of Health Law & Policy

5. *Local Governmental Use of Racial Equity Tools*
 - In partnership with the Center for Health Law Studies, [conducted](#) research supported by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Policies for Action program to evaluate the effects of racial equity tool use on local governmental policy change (2018 – 2021)
 - Issued a [fact sheet](#) and a [report](#) identifying the 107 jurisdictions working with national organizations to use racial equity tools (2021)

6. *Community Engaged Work*
 - [Worked](#) with clinic students at Yale Law School to testify in support of the passage of [hotel worker](#) recall legislation in New Haven, CT, which was enacted, and in the [state](#) of Connecticut (2020)
 - Provided monetary contribution to the St. Louis Racial Equity Fund that will support efforts to develop capacity and infrastructure in the racial justice movement to transform the St. Louis region (2021)
 - In partnership, with Polsinelli Health Care Solutions, presented best practices for securing Medicaid grant funds for IL Hospital Transformation Program (2021)
 - Consulted in revising and participated in roll out of SEIU COVID-19 hospital worker protection plan in Kansas City, MO and the state of Missouri (2020 - 2021)

Case Western Reserve University School of Law

Cleveland, OH

David L. Brennan Professor of Law (Chair), March 2017 – June 2018

Associate Dean of Institutional Diversity and Inclusiveness, January 2016 – June 2018

Oliver C. Schroeder Jr. Distinguished Research Scholar, April 2015 – March 2017

Tenured Professor of Law, July 2011 – March 2017

Associate Director of the Law-Medicine Center, July 2011 – October 2016

Courses Taught

- Administrative Law, Bioethics, Contracts, Health Care Regulation, Health Care Regulation Lab, and Public Health Management and Policy

Awards

- Distinguished Teacher Award, Case Western Reserve University, Alumni Association, October 2017
- Women Achievement Award, Case Western Reserve University, School of Law, October 2012 (An award that honors one woman from each school at Case Western Reserve for their excellence in research and scholarship)

Selected Honors

- Created position and served as the first Associate Dean of Institutional Diversity and Inclusiveness (2016-2018)
- *Member*, Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine's Advisory Group on Diversity and Inclusion Initiatives (2016 – 2018)
- *Proclamation issued by the Mayor of the City of Cleveland celebrating my appointment as Associate Dean of Institutional Diversity and Inclusiveness* (January 2016)
- *Invited Speaker*, Oxford Global Health and Bioethics International Conference, Oxford, England (2015)
- Book Proposal Reviewer, Oxford University Press (2013) and Cambridge University Press (2011)

Selected Associate Dean Service (2016 – 2018)

- Third Year (2017 – 2018)
 1. Increasing Diversity and Inclusion
 - Planned and hosted 26th annual Midwestern People of Color Scholarship Conference
 - Increased the inclusion and diversity of student representatives on faculty governance committees
 - Worked to create a student government association for international L.L.M. and S.J.D students in collaboration with the Co-Deans and the L.L.M. and S.J.D Directors
 2. Presentations
 - *Panelist*, Ohio Diversity & Leadership Conference (2018)

- Second Year (2016 – 2017)
 1. Human Resources
 - Created diversity pipeline plan for faculty and staff hiring
 - In collaboration with Co-Deans drafted and implemented hiring procedures and evaluation forms for faculty and staff
 - Drafted faculty annual review evaluation form adopted by Co-Deans
 - Created an Employee of the Month Award
 2. Increasing Diversity and Inclusion
 - Created and implemented the Diversity and Inclusion Scholars Program, which provided a small diverse group of 1L students with academic and career support

- First Year (2016)
 1. Increasing Diversity and Inclusion
 - In collaboration with the Law School Diversity Committee, the University Office of Diversity, Inclusion and Equal Opportunity, and the University Office of Multicultural Affairs, completed annual diversity training of all full-time faculty, 1L, L.L.M. and S.J.D students, and staff
 - Created procedures to diversify adjunct faculty
 - Created Diversity and Inclusion development plan
 - Co-Sponsored the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association's 2016 Diversity and Inclusion Conference
 2. Presentations
 - *Keynote*, National Diversity Pre-Law Conference (2016)

Selected Service

- *Member*, Law School Appointments Committee (2011 – 2012, 2016 – 2018)
- *Member*, Law-Medicine Center (ranked among the top ten health law programs in the country by U.S. News & World Report) (2011 – 2018)
- *Member*, CWRU Social Justice Institute Leadership Team (2016 – 2018)
- *Member*, President's Advisory Committee on Promotion and Tenure (2015 – 2017)
- *Member*, University Diversity Leadership Council (2014 – 2018)
- *Member*, University Faculty Senate Committee on Minority Affairs (2014 – 2018)
- *Symposium Chair*, Law-Medicine Symposium, entitled "Sick and Tired of Being Sick and Tired: Putting an End to Separate and Unequal Health Care in the United States 50 Years After the Civil Rights Act of 1964" (2014)(Day 1 [part 4](#), Day 2 [part 2](#), [part 3](#), [part 4](#), and [part 5](#))

University of Connecticut School of Law
Visiting Professor, January 2011 – May 2011

Hartford, CT

Courses Taught

- Bioethics

University at Buffalo Law School, The State University of New York
University at Buffalo School of Public Health and Health Professions

Buffalo, NY

Associate Professor, July 2008- August 2011

Director of the J.D. and Master of Public Health Program, July 2008 – August 2011

Director of the J.D. and Pharm.D. Program, July 2008 – August 2011

Co-Director, Health Law Concentration, July 2008 – August 2011

Courses Taught

- Bioethics, Health Care Regulation, and Public Health Law

Selected Honors

- *Grant Reviewer, Wellcome Trust (2010) (United Kingdom's largest non-governmental source of funds for biomedical research)*
- “Summer Research Fellowship,” Univ. Buffalo Law School (2009 – 2010)
- *Invited Presenter, Facilitator, and Moderator, Tarrytown Meeting, Tarrytown, NY (Three year Initiative that brought together renowned scholars and others working to ensure that new human biotechnologies supported a healthy human future) (2010-2012)*

Selected Service

- *Member, Law School Appointments Committee (2009 – 2010)*
- *Member, School of Public Health Program Committee (2008 – 2010)*
- *Member, Accreditation Process Committee for successful accreditation of School of Public Health and Health Professions (2009)*

Loyola University Chicago, School of Law

Chicago, IL

Secondary Appointment, Stritch School of Medicine, June 2006 – June 2008

Assistant Professor, July 2003 – June 2008

Adjunct Professor, January 2002 – July 2003

Courses Taught

- Access to Health Care, Bioethics, Criminal Law, Health Care Regulation, Introduction to Health Law, and the Summer Institute on Aging

Award

- “Norman Amaker Award of Excellence,” Loyola University Chicago, January 2007 (A competitive award granted to an individual who embodies the true spirit and commitment of service to others in the community and in legal education)

Selected Honors

- “Mid-American Public Health Fellowship,” Mid-America Regional Public Health Leadership Institute, University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health, August, 2004 (A competitive training award for leaders in the public health field to write and publish three public health research projects)

Selected Service

- *Member, Beazley Institute for Health Law and Policy (ranked among the top ten health law programs in the country by U.S. News & World Report) (2003 – 2008)*

CLERKSHIP

U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit

Chicago, IL

Law Clerk for the Honorable Ann Claire Williams, August 2002 – December 2002

- Assisted in drafting opinions concerning various topics including the economic loss doctrine, federal sentencing guidelines, and loan receipt agreements
- Advised Judge Williams regarding issues in petitions for rehearing en banc, certificates of appealability, and petitions for rehearing

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Duane Morris, LLC

Chicago, IL

Health Care Associate, August 2001 – August 2002; January 2003 – June 2003

Duties

- Assumed primary drafting responsibility for pleadings regarding nursing home compliance filed in state and federal administrative agencies including motions, briefs, affidavits, and reports of readiness

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Chicago, IL

Assistant Regional Counsel, June 2000 – August 2001

Duties

- Acted as co-counsel in successful defense before the Departmental Appeals Board
- Assumed primary drafting responsibility for pleadings filed in federal nursing home compliance cases including motions, briefs, affidavits, and reports of readiness

Awards

- “Performance Award” for Job Rating of Excellent from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the General Counsel, August 2001

EDUCATION

Case Western Reserve University

Cleveland, OH

Weatherhead School of Management

Courses (Fall 2017): Accounting and Health Economics

4.0 GPA

Georgetown University Law Center

Washington, DC

Juris Doctor; May 2000

Honors

- *Staff Editor*, *Georgetown Journal on Poverty Law & Policy* (1998 – 2000)
- *Policy Analyst*, Harrison Institute for Public Law Clinic (1998 – 1999)
- *Research Assistant*, Professor Lawrence Gostin, researched and drafted summaries concerning partner notification laws for HIV/AIDS articles and public health law book

Awards

- Dean’s List (1999)

Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

Baltimore, MD

Master of Public Health in Health Policy and Management; May 2000

Honors

- Certificate in Health and Human Rights
- *Thesis*: “Maryland Medicaid Managed Care Organizations: Barriers to Access for Low Income African-American HIV/AIDS Patients”

Awards

- Minority Student Support Scholarship (1998)
- International Health Scholarship (1997)

Honors

- *Senior Honors Thesis*: “The Characterization of Mutant *Arabidopsis thaliana* Plants that Produce Abnormal Root Hairs in Response to Low Phosphorus Availability”
- *Research Assistant*, National Science Foundation Minority Research Training Program, researched the effect of lead pollution from the use of leaded gasoline on school age children in South Africa (1995)

Awards

- Academic Scholarship covering four years of college (1992 – 1996)
- Sophomore Honors Award (1994)
- Class Honors (1993)

PUBLICATIONS**Articles and Essays**

1. Lindsay Wiley, **Ruqaiijah Yearby**, Brietta R. Clark, and Seema Mohapatra, *Introduction: What is Health Justice?*, 50(4) J. OF L. MED. & ETHICS 636-640 ([2023](#))
2. *The Social Determinants of Health, Health Disparities, and Health Justice*, 50(4) J. OF L. MED. & ETHICS 641-649 ([2023](#)) (lead article)
3. **Ruqaiijah Yearby**, Crystal Lewis, and Charysse Gibson, *Incorporating Structural Racism, Employment Discrimination, and Economic Inequities in the Social Determinants of Health framework to Understand Agricultural Worker Health Inequities*, 112(Supp. 1) AM. J PUBLIC HEALTH S65-71 ([2023](#))
4. **Ruqaiijah Yearby**, Brietta R. Clark, and Jose F. Figueroa, *Structural Racism in Historical and Modern U.S. Health Care Policy*, 41(2) HEALTH AFFAIRS 187-194 ([2022](#))([One of the top ten read articles](#) of 2022 in HEALTH AFFAIRS), ([podcast](#): One of the [top twelve podcasts](#) of 2022 in HEALTH AFFAIRS; cited in the CDC’s report on [Combating Racism](#))
5. Kayte Spector-Bagdady, Holly Fernandez Lynch, Barbara Bierer, Luke Gelinias, Sara Chandros Hull, David Magnus, Michele Meyer, Richard Sharp, Jeremy Sugarman, Benjamin Wilfond, **Ruqaiijah Yearby**, and Seema Mohapatra, *Allocation of Opportunities to Participate in Clinical Trials during the Covid-19 Pandemic and Other Public Health Emergencies*, 52(1) HASTINGS CENTER REPORT 51-58 ([online](#) December 15, 2021)
6. Charlene Galarneau and **Ruqaiijah Yearby**, *Reinforcing Racial Hierarchies: Racism and Crisis Standards of Care in the COVID-19 Pandemic*, 14 ST. LOUIS. J. HEALTH LAW AND POLICY 211-249 (2021)
7. **Ruqaiijah Yearby** and Seema Mohapatra, *Systemic Racism, The Government’s Pandemic Response, and Racial Inequities in COVID-19*, 70 EMORY LAW J. 1419-1473 (2021)(cited in Peter Coy, [The Legacy of the Lost Year Will Be Devastating Inequality](#), BLOOMBERG NEWS on Mar. 10, 2021)
8. Phillip Sloane, **Ruqaiijah Yearby**, R. Tamara Konetzka, Yue Li, Robert Espinoza, and Sheryl Zimmerman, *Addressing Systemic Racism in Nursing Homes: A Time for Action*, 22(4) JAMDA 886-892 (2021)
9. *Employment Discrimination, Breastfeeding, and Health Justice*, 57 CALIFORNIA WESTERN L. REV. 279-289 (2021)

10. *Race Based Medicine, Color Blind Disease: How Racism in Medicine Harms Us All*, 21(2) AMERICAN J. OF BIOETHICS 19-27 ([online](#) Dec. 5, 2020; in print 2021)(On October 23, 2023, listed as [one of the top two cited articles](#) in the last three years (2020-2023) in the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF BIOETHICS)(cited in NANCY M.P. KING ET AL, BIOETHICS REENVISIONED, 1st ed, 2022)
11. *Lack of Enforcement, Political Influence, and Meat and Poultry Processing Workers' Disproportionate Rates of COVID-19 Infections and Deaths*, 35 ABA J. OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW 41-51 (2020)
12. Emily Benfer, Seema Mohapatra, Lindsay Wiley, and **Ruqaiijah Yearby**, *Health Justice Strategies to Combat the Pandemic: Eliminating Discrimination, Poverty, and Health Inequities During and After COVID-19*, 19 YALE J. HEALTH POLICY, LAW, AND ETHICS 125-171 (2020) (cited in Ed Young, [Where Year Two of the Pandemic Will Lead Us](#), THE ATLANTIC on Dec. 29, 2020)
13. *Structural Racism and Health Disparities: Reconfiguring the Social Determinants of Health Framework to Include the Root Cause*, 48 J. OF L. MED. & ETHICS 518-526 (2020)(Framework featured in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' [Health Equity and Health Disparities Environmental Scan](#), and in a [brief by](#) AcademyHealth, the leading US health service research association)
14. **Ruqaiijah Yearby** and Seema Mohapatra, *Law, Structural Racism, and the COVID-19 Pandemic*, 7 OXFORD J. OF LAW AND THE BIOSCIENCES 1-20 ([online](#) June 29, 2020) (Jan-June 2020) (cited in Ed Young, [We're Already Barreling Toward the Next Pandemic](#), THE ATLANTIC, September 29, 2021; Brian Resnick, [Police Brutality is a public health crisis](#), VOX on Jun. 1, 2020; Athena K Ramos, et al, *Invisible No More: The Impact of COVID-19 on Essential Food Production Workers*, J OF AGROMEDICINE (Sept 2020), and in a [blog post](#) on the National Association of Local Boards of Health (Jan. 2021))
15. *Internalized Oppression: The Impact of Gender and Racial Bias in Employment on the Health Status of Women of Color*, 49 SETON HALL LAW REV. 1037-1066 (2019)
16. Nisha Malhorta, Ann Nevar, **Ruqaiijah Yearby**, Lawrence Klienman, and Sarah Ronis, *Medicaid's EPSDT Benefit: An Opportunity to Improve Pediatric Screening for Social Determinants of Health*, MED. CARE RES. AND REV. 1-26 (Sept. 2019)
17. *When Equal Pay is Not Enough: The Influence of Employment Discrimination on Health Disparities*, 134 PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS 447-450 (July/August 2019)
18. *Racial Disparities in Health Status and Access to Health Care: The Continuation of Inequality in the United States Due to Structural Racism*, 77 AM. J. ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY 1113-1152 (2018)(cited in EDUARDO BONILLA-SILVA, RACISM WITHOUT RACISTS: COLOR-BLIND RACISM AND THE PERSISTENCE OF RACIAL INEQUALITY IN AMERICA, 6TH EDITION, 2021; Eduardo Bonilla-Silva, *Color-Blind Racism in Pandemic Times*, SOC. RACE AND ETHNICITY (Jul 2020))
19. *Exploitation in Medical Research: The Enduring Legacy of the Tuskegee Syphilis Study*, 67 CASE W. RES. UNIV. L. REV. 1171 -1226 (2017)(cited in NANCY M.P. KING ET AL, BIOETHICS REENVISIONED, 1st ed, 2022; cited in Markham Heid, [Early Covid-19 Research Isn't As Inclusive As It Should Be](#), MEDIUM on July 22, 2020)

20. *Missing the “Target”: Preventing the Unjust Inclusion of Vulnerable Children for Medical Research Studies*, 42 AM. J. OF L. & MED 797-833 (2016) (MARY ANN BOBINSKI, ET AL, BIOETHICS AND PUBLIC HEALTH LAW, 4th ed 2018; and MARK HALL, ET AL, HEALTH CARE LAW AND ETHICS, 9th ed 2018)(Presented paper at the 2015 Oxford Global Health and Bioethics International Conference, Oxford, England)
21. *Involuntary Consent: Conditioning Access to Health Care on Participation in Clinical Trials*, 44 J. OF L. MED. & ETHICS 445-461 (2016) (cited in Lailea Neol, et al, *Community-Academic Partnerships: Approaches to Engagement*, 39 AM. SOC. OF CLINICAL ONCOLOGY 88-95, 2019)
22. *Sick and Tired of Being Sick and Tired: Putting an End to Separate and Unequal Health Care in the United States 50 Years After the Civil Rights Act of 1964*, 25 HEALTH MATRIX 1-32 (Introduction for Law-Medicine Symposium issue) (2015) (cited in DANIEL DAWES, THE POLITICAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH, JOHN HOPKINS UNIV. PRESS 2020)
23. *When is a Change Going To Come?: Separate and Unequal Health Care Fifty Years After Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964*, 67 SMU LAW REVIEW 287-338 (2014) (cited in Robert Hahn, Benedict Truman, and David R. Williams, *Civil rights as determinants of public health and racial and ethnic health equity: Health care, education, employment and housing in the United States*, 4 SSM-POPULATION HEALTH 17-24, 2018)
24. *Breaking the Cycle of “Unequal Treatment” with Health Care Reform: Acknowledging and Addressing the Continuation of Racial Bias*, 44 U. CONN. L. REV. 1281-1324 (2012) (Excerpted in DOLGIN & SHEPHARD, BIOETHICS AND THE LAW, 4th ed 2018 and cited in the OXFORD HANDBOOK OF PUBLIC HEALTH ETHICS, OXFORD UNIV. PRESS 2019; JUDITH DAAR, THE NEW EUGENICS: SELECTIVE BREEDING IN AN ERA OF REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGIES, YALE UNIV. PRESS 2017)
25. *Racial Inequities in Mortality and Access to Health Care: The Untold Peril of Rationing Health Care in the United States*, 32 J. LEG. MED. 77-91 (2011)
26. *African Americans Can’t Win, Break Even, or Get Out of the System: The Persistence of Unequal Treatment in Nursing Home Care*, 82 TEMPLE L. REV. 1177-1203 (2010)(cited in BARRY FURROW, ET AL, HEALTH LAW: CASE, MATERIALS AND PROBLEMS, 8th ed 2018, and SARA ROSENBAUM, ET AL, LAW AND THE AMERICAN HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, 2nd ed 2012)
27. *Litigation, Integration, and Transformation: Using Medicaid to Address Racial Inequities in Health Care*, 13 J. HEALTH CARE L. & POL’Y 325-391 (2010) (Excerpt in MORGAN, ET AL, ELDER LAW IN CONTEXT, 2017 and cited under Law Reviews in over 15 sections of Title 42 of the C.F.R. and in SARA ROSENBAUM, ET AL, LAW AND THE AMERICAN HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, 2nd ed 2012)
28. *Does Twenty-Five Years Make a Difference in ‘Unequal Treatment’?: The Persistence of Racial Disparities in Health Care Then and Now*, 19 ANNALS OF HEALTH L. 57-61 (2010)(cited in LAW AND GLOBAL HEALTH, OXFORD UNIV. PRESS 2014)
29. *From the Mayflower to the Border Patrols: Who Deserves Access to Health Care in the United States?*, 17 ANNALS OF HEALTH L. i-ix (2008) (Symposium issue for the First Annual Beazley Institute for Health Law and Policy Symposium)

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Flavored Tobacco Ban with Exemption: Protecting Children, but Allowing Adults to Have Access to Flavored Tobacco, Public Hearing Before the Health and Human Services Committee, Cleveland City Council (Nov. 8, 2015)

SELECT PRESENTATIONS/WEBINARS (2020- PRESENT)

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law

Chicago, IL

Invited Speaker, January 17, 2024

A Conversation on Racial Disparities

American University Washington College of Law

Washington, DC

Genomics, AI, and the African Diaspora

Invited Speaker, November 16, 2023

NYU Division of Medical Ethics, NYU Grossman School of Medicine

Invited Speaker, November 15, 2023

“Health Justice: Using Social Science to Eliminate Racism”

American Society for Bioethics and Humanities

Baltimore, MD

Invited Speaker, October 12, 2023- “Using Disadvantage Indices to comply with the 14th Amendment and the Civil Rights Act of 1964”

Invited Speaker, October 12, 2023 - “Disadvantage Indices, Discrimination, and Health Equity”

Penn Leonard Davis Institute of Health Economics and Health Affairs

Health Equity and the Role of Racism-Conscious Policymaking

Invited Speaker, October 6, 2023

“Structural Racism, the Supreme Court, and Health Justice”

Health Affairs

[Tackling Structural Racism in Health](#)

Invited Speaker, October 3, 2023

“Structural Racism, Law, and Health Justice”

UC San Francisco Law

San Francisco, CA

Beyond Disparities: Advancing Health Care Reparations

Invited Speaker, September 22, 2023

“Structural Racism, the Healthcare System, and Health Justice”

National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine

The Impact of the Dobbs Decision Cancer Care-Webinar 2: Health System and Workforce Effects

Invited Speaker, July 24, 2023

“Pregnancy Discrimination, the Dobbs Decision, and Cancer Care”

- Association of State and Territorial Health Officials** **Atlanta, GA**
2023 Health Equity Summit
Invited Speaker, April 26, 2023
 “Understanding Public Health Social Intersections to Advance Health Equity”
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation** **St. Louis, MO**
Catalyze: A Race and Health Equity Summit
Invited Speaker, April 20, 2023
 “Transforming Public Health to Achieve Health Justice”
- University of Michigan School of Public Health** **Ann Arbor, MI**
36th Annual Health Equity Summit
Invited Keynote Speaker, April 1, 2023
 “Policy and Practice: Reckoning with a health system that harms”
- Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law and Indiana University School of Medicine** **Indianapolis, IN**
McDonald-Merrill-Ketcham Award Lecture
Awardee and Invited Speaker, February 24, 2023
 “Structural Racism in Law and Medicine: The Root Cause of Health Inequities”
- UCLA Law** **Los Angeles, CA**
Invited Speaker, February 10, 2023
 “Pregnancy Discrimination and Reproductive Health Justice”
- Association of American Law Schools** **San Diego, CA**
Invited Speaker, January 7, 2023
 “Health Equity, Structural Racism, and Health Justice”
- Alliance for Health Policy (A DC based nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to helping policymakers and the public better understand health policy)**
Invited Speaker, December 9, 2022
 Panel title: “Examining the Social Determinants of Health: Measures, Evidence, and Policy Solutions”
- Health Impact Project (A collaboration of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and The Pew Charitable Trusts)**
Invited Speaker, December 7, 2022
 “Systemic Racism, the Social Determinants and Racism as a Public Health Crisis Declarations ”
- Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and FXB Center for Health & Human Rights at Harvard University** **Boston, MA**
Invited Speaker, November 3, 2022
 Panel title: “A Toxic Legacy: How the History of Systemic Anti-Black Racism Shapes Health”
- University of Michigan School of Public Health** **Ann Arbor, MI**
Invited Speaker, October 31, 2022
 “Structural Racism and Health Disparities: Reconfiguring the Social Determinants of Health Framework to Include the Root Cause”

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and National Association of County & City Health Officials
Chicago, IL

Public Health Law Practitioners Convening

Invited Speaker, August 18, 2022

Health Equity and Research in Practices - “Racism is a Public Health Crisis”

National Governors Association

Invited Participant, June 1, 2022

State Strategies to Address Wages for Direct Care Workers

ELSI Congress

5th Annual Conference: Innovating for a Just and Equitable Future

Invited Keynote Speaker, May 31, 2022 - “The Fallacy of Biological Race: Systemic Racism in Genomics”

Invited Keynote Speaker, June 3, 2022 – Closing Plenary Panel

American Health Lawyers Association

Invited Speaker, March 24, 2022

“COVID-19 Disproportionate Impact on Minority Populations: An Update”

George Washington University School of Law
2022 Health Law Symposium

Washington, DC

Invited Speaker and Moderator, March 18, 2022

“Equality in Housing/Neighborhoods”

Association of American Law Schools

Invited Speaker, January 9, 2022 - “Justice and the Equitable Allocation of Covid-19 Vaccines”

Invited Speaker, January 7, 2022 - “Systemic Racism, Covid-19, and Racial Capitalism”

American Constitution Society

Invited Speaker, October 26, 2021

“Law, Health Disparities and Health Equity”

American Society for Bioethics and Humanities

Invited Speaker, October 16, 2021

“Pandemics, Structural Barriers, and Health Equity”

2021 Health Law Institute – Minnesota CLE

Invited Speaker, June 15, 2021

“Racial Ethnic Inequalities in Healthcare – What Every Health Lawyer and Healthcare Organization Needs to Understand”

Northeastern Law – Center for Health Policy and Law

American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics Annual Health Law Conference

Invited Speaker, June 7, 2021

“Are Cities and Counties Ready to Use Racial Equity Tools to Influence Policy?”

AcademyHealth

Invited Speaker, June 2, 2021

“Health Equity and COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution”

Boston University School of Law and Duke University

12th Annual Empirical Health Law Conference

Invited Speaker, May 28, 2021

“Using Racial Equity Tools to Address the Social Determinants of Health & Systemic Racism”

American Constitution Society

Invited Speaker, May 4, 2021

“Founding Failures: Reckoning with our Constitution’s Generational Impacts on Health and Well-Being”

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

National Center for Chronic Disease and Health Promotion

Invited Speaker, April 13, 2021

“Operationalizing Health Equity”

American Public Health Association – National Public Health Week

Invited Speaker, April 6, 2021

“[Gaps in Worker Protections that Increase Essential Workers’ Exposure to COVID-19](#)”

Kaiser Permanente

Invited Speaker, April 1, 2021

“Equity in Participation and the Benefits of Medical Research”

The American Journal of Bioethics

Invited Speaker, March 29, 2021

“[Reifying Racism in the COVID-19 Pandemic Response](#)”

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

National Center for Chronic Disease and Health Promotion

Invited Speaker, March 24, 2021

“Racism, Health Equity and Health Justice”

University of Florence

Invited Speaker, March 23, 2021

“Race Based Medicine, Color Blind Disease: How Racism in Medicine Harms Us All”

University of Detroit Mercy Law

2021 Dewitt C. Holbrook Social Justice Lecture

Invited Speaker, March 22, 2021

“Systemic Racism, Health Inequities, and Health Justice”

Harvard Medical School Center for Bioethics, Organizational Ethics Consortium

Invited Discussant, March 19, 2021

“Securing Workers’ Health During COVID-19”

Center for Black Health & Equity

Invited Speaker, March 3, 2021

“Racism as a Public Health Emergency”

Texas Tech University

Invited Speaker, March 3, 2021

“Health Law and Racial Inequities in Health”

University of Arizona, College of Public Health

Invited Speaker, February 26, 2021

“Health Disparities, Racism, and Health Justice”

United States District Court for the Southern District Court of Florida

Invited Speaker, February 24, 2021

“Health Disparities, Structural Discrimination, and COVID-19”

University of Maryland Carey Law

Rothenberg Health Care Law & Policy Speaker Series

Invited Speaker, February 23, 2021

“[Now or Never: Eradicating Structural Racism in the Government’s Pandemic Response](#)”

**Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics at Harvard Law School
and the Solomon Center for Health Law and Policy at Yale Law School**

COVID-19 and the Law: Disruption, Impact, and Legacy Seminar Series

Invited Speaker, February 2, 2021

“[COVID-19 Health Inequities, the Social Determinants of Health, and Health Justice](#)”

PHI Michigan Direct Care Workforce Convening

Invited Speaker, February 2, 2021

“Structural Racism and Direct Care Workers”

The Network for Public Health

Invited Speaker, January 21, 2021

“[Racism is a Public Health Crisis. Here’s How to Respond](#)”

Association of American Law Schools

Invited Speaker, January 9, 2021 - “Incorporating COVID-19 and the Socioeconomics of Race into Health Law Pedagogy”

Invited Speaker, January 6, 2021 - “How Structural Discrimination, Wealth Inequalities, and Lack of Access to Health Care Cause Health Disparities for Elderly Women of Color”

Arizona State University Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law

Keynote Speaker, December 14, 2020

”[Systemic Racism and the Government’s Pandemic Response](#)”

PRIM&R Conference

Invited Speaker, December 9, 2020

“Applying the Justice Principle to Human Subjects Research”

ABA and German Marshall Fund Conference

Invited Speaker, December 9, 2020

“Systemic Racism, the Government’s Pandemic Response, and Racial Inequities in COVID-19”

National Student Bioethics Association

Keynote Speaker, December 4, 2020

“Race Based Medicine, Colorblind Disease: How Racism in Medicine Harms Us All”

PHI New Jersey Direct Care Workforce Conference

Invited Speaker, November 10, 2020

“Direct Care Workers, Emergency Preparedness, and Disparities in COVID-19”

University of Iowa College of Law
Innovation, Business & Law Award (with Ana Santos Rutschman)
Awardee presentation, October 29, 2020
“Mapping Structural Racism in the Intellectual Property Ecosystem”

Washington and Lee University School of Law
Washington & Lee Journal of Civil Rights and Social Justice Symposium
Invited Speaker, October 29, 2020
“Structural Racism, COVID-19, and Essential Workers”

American Bar Association – State and Local Government Meeting
Invited Speaker, October 28, 2020
“Direct Care Workers and Disparities in COVID-19”

American Public Health Association
Invited Speaker, October 26, 2020 - “COVID-19 legal briefings: A conversation with the experts”
Invited Speaker, October 26, 2020 - “Using disparities data to spur local policy change to improve social determinants of health”

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Secretary’s Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections (SACHRP)
Considerations of the Role of Justice as an Ethical Principle 45 CFR Part 46
Invited Speaker, October 20, 2020
“Applying the Justice Principle to Human Subjects Research”
(<https://videocast.nih.gov/watch=38837>, my presentation begins at 2:11:33)

American Society for Bioethics and Humanities
Invited Speaker, October 17, 2020 - COVID-19 and inequities- Law and Bioethics Affinity Group Discussion
Invited Speaker, October 16, 2020 - “Whose Justice? Whose Flourishing? Diabetes and Race in Maryland”

Harvard Law School – Petrie Flom Center
Health Law Policy, Bioethics, and Biotechnology Workshop
Invited Speaker, October 13, 2020
“Health Justice Strategies to Combat the Pandemic: Eliminating Discrimination, Poverty, and Health Inequities During and After COVID-19”

American University Washington College of Law
Health Justice Engaging Critical Perspectives in Health Law and Policy Workshops and Conference
Presenter, October 2, 2020 – [Critical Perspectives in Health Law & Policy](#)
Moderator, August 14, 2020 – Just Distribution of Benefits and Burdens
Participant, July 29, 2020 – Valuing Human Dignity
Organizer and Moderator, July 10, 2020 – Empowering Communities

SMU Dedman School of Law
Invited Speaker, September 23, 2020
“Health Justice Strategies to Combat the Pandemic: Eliminating Discrimination, Poverty, and Health Inequities During and After COVID-19”

2020 Public Health Law Summit

Network for Public Health Law

Invited Speaker, September 17, 2020

“Protecting Workers that Provide Essential Services”

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8BYkBx4KDww>, my presentation begins at 30:08)

Georgia State University

Jean Beer Blumenfeld Center for Ethics

Invited Speaker, September 9, 2020

“Structural Discrimination and Essential Workers”

(<https://ethics.gsu.edu/2020/08/26/health-care-access-and-the-2020-elections/>)

American Society of Bioethics

Invited Speaker, July 29, 2020

“Health Equity and Justice in the COVID-19 Pandemic”

American Journal of Bioethics

Invited Speaker, July 14, 2020

“Black Bioethics: Racism, Police Brutality, and What it Means for Black Health”

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2xOaLMYVRW8>)

George Washington University

Milken Institute School of Public Health

Invited Speaker, July 7, 2020

“Ethics & COVID-19: Ethnic and Racial Disparities”

(<https://publichealth.gwu.edu/research/policy-procedure-guidance#webinars>)

University of Virginia School of Law

Charlottesville, VA

The Equity Center

Invited Speaker, January 30-31, 2020

“Humanizing Equity: Moving Past Equality to Achieve Equity”

MEMBERSHIP

Greensboro Health Disparities Collaborative

Member, August 2022 – present

American Society for Bioethics and Humanities

Member, Policy Committee, August 2019 – August 2022

American Public Health Association, Aging & Public Health Section

Member, Policy Committee, February 2020 – March 2022

Abstract Reviewer, March 2020 – March 2021, March 2009 – October 2012

Website Editor, August 2010 – October 2012

- Editor of Aging & Public Health Section website and reviewer of abstracts for three annual conferences and created Aging & Public Health Section Facebook page

American Association of Law Schools

African Section

Executive Committee Member, January 2023 – present

Law, Medicine, and Health Care Section

Executive Committee Member, January 2021 – December 2022

Chair, January 2020 – December 2020

Chair-Elect, January 2019 – December 2019

Secretary, January 2018 – December 2018

- In collaboration with the Executive Board, instituted member of the month program and Junior Scholar Service Award

Generate Health STL

Member, Advocacy Advisory Committee, September 2019 – August 2021

- Reviewed and provided feedback regarding Advocacy Agenda
- Assisted in creating Health Equity Impact Report

Healthy Improvement Partnership – Cuyahoga County Health Department

(<http://hipcuyahoga.org/>)

Steering Committee Member, January 2017 – June 2018

Subcommittee Member, August 2014 – June 2018

- Participated in Eliminating Racism as a Social Determinant of Health Subcommittee meetings and assist in drafting partnership narrative

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Member, American Society of Law, Medicine, and Ethics

Member, American Association of Law Schools – Minority, Civil Rights, Aging, Administrative Law, Socioeconomic, and Law, Medicine and Health Care Sections

BAR ADMISSION

United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

Supreme Court of Illinois (inactive)

District of Columbia Court of Appeals

Court of Appeals of Maryland