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LEGAL EXPERIENCE

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY NEW ORLEANS COLLEGE OF LAW

Dean Marcel Garsaud, Jr. Distinguished Professor of Law

June 2002 to present (tenure granted in 2009)

- Teach in the areas of Successions, Donations, Trusts, Civil Law of Persons, Advanced Appellate Advocacy, Community Property, Louisiana Civil Procedure, Family Law Seminar, International Family Law, and Scholarly Writing Seminar

Executive Director, Advocacy Center

August 2018 to August 2021

- Designed the Center; developed courses, programs, and activities for students; fundraised; worked with Program Director and Assistant in managing the Center.

BARBRI

Lecturer, 2004 to present

- Lecture on Family Law nationally for the UBE (2015 to present) and for the individual states of Louisiana (2004 to present), Mississippi (2006 to present), Georgia (2021 to present), Michigan (2021 to present), Wisconsin (2021 to present), Tennessee (2007 to 2019), North Carolina (2010 to 2019), and Oklahoma (2006-10).

CORRERO FISHMAN HAYGOOD PHELPS WALMSLEY & CASTEIX, L.L.P.

Associate, December 2000 to May 2002

- Practiced in the area of general commercial litigation including contract disputes, trademark infringement claims, trademark dilution claims, and insurance defense
- Member of the American, Louisiana, and Federal Bar Associations and the Association of Women Attorneys

THE HONORABLE BARRY TED MOSKOWITZ

United States District Court for the Southern District of California, San Diego, California

Judicial Law Clerk, September 1999 to September 2000

THE HONORABLE JACQUES L. WIENER, JR.

United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, New Orleans, Louisiana

Judicial Law Clerk, August 1998 to August 1999

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE, New Orleans, Louisiana

Commercial Banking Representative, June 1993 to August 1995

- Developed and managed a \$20 million commercial portfolio concentrated in the Hospitality Industry
- Responsible for business development, credit compliance, and risk management

LOUISIANA STATE CAPITOL/JEFFERSON DELEGATION, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Legislative Assistant, 1990-1993 Legislative Sessions

- Monitored legislation for fourteen Representatives and six Senators
- Reviewed and prepared bill draft requests and attorney general opinions; responded to constituents

EDUCATION

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, New Orleans, Louisiana

Juris Doctor, *summa cum laude*, May 1998

GPA: 3.854, Class Rank: 1 of 209

Honors and activities:

- Loyola Law Review
- Chairman, Moot Court Board
- **Academic Awards:** Academic Scholarship, 1996-98; Faculty Award for Highest Average, 1997-98; Louisiana State Bar Association Civil Code Award, 1997-98; Judge S. Sanford Levy Memorial Award for Best Appellate Brief, 1997; Moot Court Scholarship, 1997-98; Dean's Award for Highest Average 1995-96; Corpus Juris Secundum Awards for Civil Procedure, Torts, Family Law, Criminal Justice, Employment Discrimination, Louisiana Code of Civil Procedure, Labor Law, and Sales and Leases
- **Activities:** Moot Court National Team Member 1996-97, Awarded Best Brief at the Regional Competition, Best Oralist Semi-Final Round, and Team Advanced to National Competition; Moot Court Frederick J. Gisevius Award for Best Oralist and Best Brief 1996; Moot Court Teaching Assistant 1997; Research Assistant for Professor M. Isabel Medina in the Area of Constitutional Law; St. Thomas More Inn of Court Member

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Bachelor of Science in Finance, *cum laude*, May 1993

GPA: 3.75

- Phi Kappa Phi; Omicron Delta Kappa; Delta Sigma Pi; Phi Eta Sigma; Alpha Lambda Delta; Golden Key National Honor Society; Junior Achievement Student Teacher; L.S.U. Ambassador; Phi Mu Sorority

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

LOUISIANA CIVIL LAW TREATISE VOL. 10: SUCCESSIONS AND DONATIONS (West 3d ed. 2025) and annual pocket parts.

LOUISIANA FAMILY LAW TREATISE (Carolina Academic Press 2025) and annual updates.

WALLACE SUCCESSIONS AND DONATIONS (ChartaCourse online casebook available at www.chartacourse.com), first published 2023.

WALLACE PROBATE AND TRUSTS (ChartaCourse online casebook available at www.chartacourse.com), first published 2023.

LOUISIANA SUCCESSIONS, DONATIONS AND TRUSTS: CASES AND MATERIALS (Claitor's Publishing 2015) (with Kathryn Venturatos Lorio).

LOUISIANA CIVIL LAW TREATISE VOL. 10: SUCCESSIONS AND DONATIONS (2d ed. 2009) (2017 - 2024 pocket parts) (with Kathryn Venturatos Lorio).

WALLACE CIVIL LAW OF PERSONS (ChartaCourse online casebook available at www.chartacourse.com), first published 2020.

Articles:

A Primer on Tutorship in Louisiana, 70 Loy. L. Rev. 291 (2024).

A Primer on Child Support in Louisiana, 69 Loy. L. Rev. 131 (2022).

A Primer on Child Custody in Louisiana, 65 Loy. L. Rev. 1 (2019).

A Primer on Marriage in Louisiana, 64 Loy. L. Rev. 557 (2018).

A Primer on Divorce in Louisiana, 64 Loy. L. Rev. 617 (2018).

A Primer on Natural and Juridical Persons in Louisiana, 64 Loy. L. Rev. 407 (2018).

A Primer on Absent Persons in Louisiana, 64 Loy. L. Rev. 423 (2018).

Marriage Equality: The "States" of the Law Post Windsor and Perry, 16 Loy. J. Pub. Int. L. 215 (2014) (with Christopher G. Otten).

A Federal Referendum: Extending Child Support for Higher Education, 58 Kan. L. Rev. 665 (2010).

Recodifying Emancipation: A Précis of the 2009 Revision of Louisiana Emancipation Law, 56 Loy. L. Rev. 135 (2010) (with Dane Ciolino).

Child Support Savings Accounts: An Innovative Approach to Child Support Enforcement, 85 N.C. L. Rev. 1155 (2007).

Using the Past to Predict the Future: Refocusing the Analysis of a Federal Dilution Claim, 73 U. Cinn. L. Rev. 945 (2005).

The Pitfalls of a Putative Marriage and the Call for a Putative Divorce, 64 La. L. Rev. 71 (2003).

Roadblock: The Fifth Circuit Further Insulates Public School Systems from § 1983 Liability, 43 Loy. L. Rev. 649 (1998).

Other writings:

A Primer on Kentucky's Same-Sex Marriage Lawsuit, LGBT Litigator, Vol. 4, No. 2 (Summer 2014) (with Christopher G. Otten).

Becoming a Professor of Law, The Young Lawyer by the American Bar Association's Young Lawyer Division, November 2011.

Loyola University Takes Part in Bicentennial of the French Civil Code, Loyola Lawyer, Spring 2005.

PRESENTATIONS

Trauma Informed Practice: A Lawyer's Perspective, presentation at the Greece CLE, June 2026

Family Law Legislative and Case Law Updates, presentation at the Louisiana State Bar Association Summer School, June 2026.

Culture Clash: Applying Science in the Courtroom, presentation at the Grand CLE Experience in Point Clear, AL, December 2025.

Legislative and Case Law Updates, presentation at the Loyola Family Law Seminar, November 2025.

Indiana Graduate Program for Judges, taught five-day course on Legal Issues Facing the Family, June 2025, French Lick, Indiana.

Family Law Legislative and Case Law Updates, presentation at the Louisiana State Bar Association Summer School, June 2025.

Conversation with Justice Amy Coney Barrett, Associate Justice, Supreme Court of the United States, led discussion at the Robert A. Ainsworth Memorial Lecture, April 2025.

Adult Children with Disabilities, written materials presented to the L.S.U. Family Law Conference, December 2024.

Primer on Filiation: Back to Basics, presentation at the Loyola Family Law Conference, November 2024 and Louisiana State Bar Association Got CLE program, December 2024.

Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART): What Should Estate Planners Know, presentation at the LS.U. Estate Planning Conference, October 2024.

Family Law Legislative and Case Law Updates, presentation at the Louisiana State Bar Association Summer School, June 2024.

State of the Profession, presentation at the Seven Points LA Program, February 2024.

Got CLE? Family Law Updates, presentation at the Louisiana State Bar Association Procrastinator's Program, December 2023.

Family Law Recent Updates, presentation at the Louisiana Justice Community Conference, October 2023.

Temporary Custody Under La. CCP 3945, presentation at the L.S.U. Family Law Conference, September 2023.

Imagine All the People: Recent Updates in Family Law, presentation at the Louisiana State Bar Association Summer School, June 2023.

Are you Smarter than a 5th Grader? Successions, Donations, and Tax, presentation at the Loyola Estate Planning Seminar, December 2022.

Surrogacy in Louisiana, presentation at the Loyola Family Law Seminar, November 2022.

Notarial Wills in Louisiana: To Be or Not To Be Valid, presentation at the New York, New York Louisiana State Bar Association CLE Seminar, November 2022.

Recent Updates in Family Law, presentation at the Louisiana State Bar Association Summer School, June 2022.

Got CLE? Family Law Updates, presentation at the Louisiana State Bar Association Procrastinator's Program, December 2021.

The Supreme Court Weighs In...Again and Again, presentation at the Loyola Estate Planning Seminar, December 2021.

Family Law Legislative and Case Updates, presentation at the Louisiana Justice Community Conference, October 2021.

Recent Developments in Family Law, presentation at the Louisiana State Bar Association Summer School and Summer School Revisited, June 2021 and December 2021.

Got CLE? Family Law Updates, presentation at the Louisiana State Bar Association Procrastinator's Program, December 2020.

Same Sex Custody, presentation at the Loyola Family Law CLE, November 2019.

Broadening our Knowledge Base – Family Law, presentation at the Louisiana State Bar Association Summer School, June 2019 and revisited December 2019.

Same-Sex Marriage: Related Laws and Where Louisiana Stands, presentation for Loyola Family Law Seminar, December 2018.

Many Questions, Some Answers: Louisiana Law Post Same-Sex Marriage, presentation to the Lambda Legal Alliance, November 2018.

Family Law Updates, presentation to the Louisiana Justice Community Conference, October 2018, October 2017.

Family Law Updates, presentation to the Louisiana 4th Circuit Court of Appeals, July 2018.

Love & Luck - Family Law, presentation at the Louisiana State Bar Association Summer School, June 2018 and revisited, December 2018.

Professionalism in the Legal Profession, presentation to the Tulane Business School class on Law and Order, October 2017.

Professionalism Among Generations, panel presentation for the Louisiana Association of Defense Counsel Sizzlin' Summer Seminar, August 2017.

Kramer v. Kramer – Family Law Updates, presentation at the Louisiana State Bar Association Summer School, June 2017 and revisited, December 2017.

Where Are We Now?: The Post-Obergefell Era, presentation on the legislative proposals being considered by the Louisiana Law Institute at a joint program hosted by the Lambda Law Alliance and Phi Delta Phi, November 2016.

Evaluating Tomorrow's Lawyers: Leading the Way to Learning Outcomes, presentation at the Educating Tomorrow's Lawyer's Conference, Denver, September 2016.

Nuts and Bolts of Family Law, presentation at the Louisiana State Bar Association Summer School, June 2016.

Diminished Capacity, panel presentation at Loyola's Annual Estate Planning Conference, December 2015.

The Marriage Shift, presentation to the Bartolus Society, October 2015.

Marriage in the Modern Age, presentation at the Louisiana Judicial Conference, October 2015.

Let the Supremes Sing!, presentation at the Second Annual Law Conference for the St. Thomas More Catholic Lawyers Association, March 2015.

Marriage Equality: The State of the Law, presentation at the Faculty Colloquia, October 2014.

Effective Brief Writing and Oral Argument, presentation for the Loyola Skills Program, October 2014.

Are Experiential Modules Really Better?, presentation at Third Annual Educating Tomorrow's Lawyers Conference, Denver, September 2014.

Marriage Equality post-Windsor and Perry: The Arguments, the Litigation, The Future, presentation at the Inaugural Law Conference for the St. Thomas More Catholic Lawyers Association, March 2014.

The History of Same Sex Marriage, introduction to Professor Dale Carpenter's presentation on "Why Conservatives Should Support Same Sex Marriage" at a joint program hosted by the Loyola Federalist Society and Lambda Law Alliance, February 2013.

A Career in Law Teaching: My Path and the Road to Law School, presentation to the 2011 inaugural class of SUIT UP! Internship Program of the Louisiana State Bar Association, July 2011.

Things Judges Look for in Selecting a Law Clerk, panel moderator at discussion hosted by the Loyola Public Interest Law Group, November, 2010.

The Use of Durable Powers of Attorneys in Light of Louisiana's Interdiction Laws, presentation to the New Orleans Estate Planning Council, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 2009.

Family Law Pedagogy, presentation at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference, Palm Beach, Florida, July 2008.

The Effects of Reproductive Technologies on the Law, panel moderator at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference, Amelia Island, Florida, August 2007.

Recent Developments in Family Law, panel presentation at the The “Grimm” Truth of Post-Katrina Domestic Issues, New Orleans, Louisiana, March 2007.

Succession Law for the Domestic Practitioner, presentation at the annual Loyola Family Law Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, December 2006.

Prescriptive Periods Post Katrina and Rita, presentation in connection with Katrina Seminar, New Orleans, Louisiana, October 2006.

Legal Writing for the Judicial Law Clerk, presentation at the Third Circuit Judges’ Association meeting, Lake Charles, Louisiana, August 2006.

Child Support Savings Accounts, presentation at a New Scholars Workshop at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference, Palm Beach, Florida, July 2006.

A History of Conflict Resolution and the Jury System, presentation at Law Day to Louisiana’s middle and high school students hosted by The Louisiana Center for Law and Civic Education, April 2005.

Inside Chambers Seminar, panel presentation at the Eastern District of Louisiana hosted by the Federal Bar Association, October 2004.

Using Blackboard for Student Self-Assessment, presentation at Harvard University to New England Legal Writing Consortium, Cambridge, Massachusetts, December 2003.

MEDIA

WWL Radio Interview, Interview with Tommy Tucker regarding recent ruling in favor of the City on the Wisner Trust, May 29, 2025.

WWL Radio Interview, Interview with Tommy Tucker regarding conservative lawmakers pushing for an end to no-fault divorce, July 1, 2024.

WWL Radio Interview, Interview with Tommy Tucker on the Louisiana Supreme Court Permitting the Council to Sue Regarding the Wisner Trust, March 28, 2024.

Alabama IVF pause sparks concern for Louisiana patients, fertility clinics, *The Advocate*, March 3, 2024.

WWL Radio Interview, Interview with Tommy Tucker on the Appellate Court Dismissal of the Council’s Lawsuit involving the Wisner Trust, June 14, 2023.

WWL Radio Interview, Interview with Tommy Tucker on the Preliminary Injunction to Halt Payments from the Wisner Trust, September 29, 2022.

Embattled nursing home owner Bob Dean could soon lose control over his affairs, *The Advocate*, September 22, 2022.

WWL Radio Interview, Interview with Tommy Tucker on the Wisner Trust, August 2 and 4, 2022.

Cantrell's Wisner Trust extension was illegal, had 'no discernible public purpose or benefit,' council argues in recent legal filing, The Lens, February 23, 2022.

In midst of 'unprecedented' budget crisis, city may be leaving millions on the table, and it's not clear why, The Lens, November 3, 2020.

Sophia Vergara's Frozen Embryo Case Could Make History, Louisiana Record, March 10, 2017.

CBS Affiliate KNX Newsradio Los Angeles Radio Interview with Dick Helton and Vicky Moore, Sophia Vergara Embryo Lawsuit, December 9, 2016.

Sophia Vergara Embryo Case Could Open Floodgates, The Daily Beast, December 8, 2016.

Fox News Television Interview, Recent Court Filings in Benson Dispute, March 26, 2015.

WWL Radio Interview, Interview with Tommy Tucker on Tom Benson Trust Assets, February 11, 2015.

NOLA.com Live chat with Jeff Duncan on Tom Benson Feud, February 11, 2015.

Mental exam of Tom Benson is crucial point in legal battle for control of Saints, Pelicans, interview with Andy Grimm, February 9, 2015.

WDSU Television Interview, Same Sex Marriage in Louisiana, 2014.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

House of Delegates, American Bar Association, 2025-2027

Committee on the Bicentennial of the 1825 Civil Code, 2024-25

Fellow, Educating Tomorrow's Lawyers, 2014 to present

Louisiana Law Institute,

Successions and Donations Committee, 2019 to present

Reporter, Civil Procedure articles relating to the law of Tutorship (2009 to 2018)

Family Law and Community Property Committee, 2009 to present

Birth Certificate Committee, 2011

Child Custody Committee, 2009

Family Law Committee, 2008

Law Institute Council, various years

Louisiana State Bar Association,

Board of Governors, 2011-13, 2015-17, 2019-21, 2023-25

Member, Continuing Legal Education Program Committee, 2018-24

At-Large Member, Legislation Committee, 2021-24

Chair, Bar Exam Process Reform Committee, 2017

Co-chair Legal Economics Committee, 2012-13

Executive Committee, Family and Juvenile Law Section of the AALS, 2007 to 2012

New Scholar Committee Member, Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS)

St. Thomas More Inn of Court

Executive Committee, 2012 to present

President, 2021-23

Vice President, 2019-21

Treasurer, 2013-19, 2024 to present
Society of Louisiana Civil Law Scholars
Bartolus Society, 2006 to present
Academic Fellow, Louisiana Bar Foundation, 2004 to present
Membership Committee, 2005-06
Kids' Chance Scholarship Committee, 2007 to present

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Chair, Rank and Tenure Committee, 2014-23 (on sabbatical 2018)
Faculty Advisor, Loyola Law Review, 2024-25
Faculty Advisor, Loyola Estate Planning Seminar, 2022 to present
Faculty Advisor, Loyola Family Law Seminar, 2022 to present
Faculty Advisor, Loyola Moot Court, 2002 to 2021
Faculty Advisor, Loyola National Moot Court Team, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2010-20 Teams (on sabbatical 2018); 2025
Chair, Task Force on Learning Outcomes, 2014-17
Academic Reading Group, ABA Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary concerning the nomination of the Honorable Neil M. Gorsuch, 2017
Faculty Advisor, Law and Technology Annual, 2004 to 2008
Committee Membership:
Curriculum and Bar Exam Committee 2019-25, 2005-07
Student/Faculty Relations Committee 2019-21, 2007-09
International Programs, 2016-21
Petitions and Readmissions Committee, 2021-25, 2015-17, 2010-11, 2002-03
Admissions Committee, 2011-15
Orientation Committee, 2013-15, 2025-27
Ad hoc Ranking Committee, 2011-13
Ad hoc Bar Examination Committee 2011-13
Dean Search Committee, 2010-11
Ad hoc Technology Advisory Committee, 2010-11
Faculty Appointments Committee, 2009-11
University Course Development Committee 2005-08
Faculty Development Committee 2007-09, 2005-07
University Senate 2003-05
Library and Technology Committee 2011-13, 2003-05

AWARDS

Louisiana Bar Foundation Distinguished Professor, 2025
CityBusiness Leader in Law, 2017
Louisiana Youth Seminar, No Man Is an Island Award, 2017
Gillis Long Poverty Law Center Public Service Award, 2014
Professor of the Year, 2002-03, 2003-04, and 2004-05
Outstanding Research in Law Faculty, 2006-07
Outstanding Teaching in Law Faculty, 2003-2004 and 2004-05

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Board of Directors, Louisiana Youth Seminar, 2017 to 2022

Board Member, Cancer Crusaders, provide pro bono legal work and assist in fundraising, March 2004 to present

Campaign Executive Board, Alpha Eta Chapter of Phi Mu, 2022-23

Member of SOLACE (Support for Lawyers/Legal Personnel – All Concern Encouraged), provide various needs, such as cooking, giving blood, providing information, and financial support to members of the legal community, September 2003 to present

Member of HELP (Homeless Experience Legal Protection), provide notary services to the Homeless at the Immaculate Conception Center, October 2004 to present

Chair, New Residents Committee of the Lakeview Civic Improvement Association, organize a committee of twelve to solicit gifts and provide information to new residents of Lakeview and to new Civic Association members, August 2009 to 2012

Board of Directors, Archbishop Chapelle High School, 2014 to 2016.

Parishioner, St. Dominic Catholic Church, 2003 to present.

BAR ADMISSIONS

Louisiana, 1998