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## PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

### PUBLICATIONS

- TRUSTS AND ESTATES IN FOCUS (Wolters Kluwer textbook)(forthcoming 2019)(with Naomi Cahn and Susan Gary).
- *A Proposed Tax Break for the Masses Designed to Spur Charitable Giving*, CHICAGO TRIBUNE, available at <https://www.chicagotribune.com/sns-a-proposed-tax-break-for-the-masses-designed-to-spur-giving-103976-20181004-story.html> (October 4, 2018), originally published on THE CONVERSATION, available at <https://theconversation.com/a-proposed-tax-break-for-the-masses-designed-to-spur-giving-103976> (October 4, 2018).
- *Planning for the Daily Care of a Minor in the Event of an Adult's Incapacity or Death*, in TAX, ESTATE, AND LIFETIME PLANNING FOR MINORS (Carmina Y. D'Aversa, ed., American Bar Association)(2018)(with Naomi Cahn).
- *Philanthropist Act Would Help Make Americans More Generous*, JOURNAL STANDARD, available at <http://www.journalstandard.com/opinion/20180913/their-view-philanthropist-act-would-help-make-americans-more-generous> (September 13, 2018)(with Daniel Rashke); also published in ROCKFORD REGISTER STAR, available at <http://www.rrstar.com/opinion/20180913/their-view-philanthropist-act-would-help-make-americans-more-generous> (September 13, 2018).
- *A Tax Reform Idea that Works for All Americans*, THE HILL, available at <http://thehill.com/blogs/congress-blog/economy-budget/362147-a-tax-reform-idea-that-works-for-all-americans> (November 28, 2017)(with Daniel Rashke).
- *How to Make Americans More Generous, Not Less*, CNN ONLINE, available at <http://www.cnn.com/2017/10/31/opinions/use-tax-law-to-encourage-charitable-giving-opinion/index.html> (October 31, 2017)(with Daniel Rashke).
- "Wealth Management Planning to Shift Revenue from Federal to State and Local Government," *Probate & Property*, Vol. 31, No. 2, p. 46-49 (March/April 2017).
- "Clients Thinking Calexit? Consider Taxexit (Tax Planning to Shift Revenue from Federal to State and Local Government)," *The Practical Tax Lawyer*, Vol. 31, No. 2, p. 29-33 (Winter 2017).
- *Charitable Donations to Nonprofit Employers*, 51 REAL PROPERTY, TRUST & ESTATE L. J. 267 (with Bradley Foster)(2016).
- *The Generation-Skipping Transfer Tax and Sociological Shifts in Generational Length: Proposing a Generation-Inflation Index for Taxation*, 41 ACTEC L. J. 307 (Fall 2015/Winter 2016).
- *Turn-Key T&E: Building a Trusts and Estates Practice*, 29 QUINNIPIAC PROB. L.J. 96 (2016).
- MY MOM GOES TO LAW SCHOOL (CreateSpace 2015) (available on Amazon).
- MY DAD GOES TO LAW SCHOOL (CreateSpace 2015) (available on Amazon).
- *Euthanizing Small Charities: The Threat of Small Trust Termination Statutes*, 45 CUMBERLAND L. REV. 475 (2015).

- *Pro and Con (Law): Considering the Irrevocable Nongrantor Trust Technique*, 67 VAND. L. REV. 101 (2014).
- *Charity at Work: Proposing a Charitable Flexible Spending Account*, 2014 UTAH L. REV. 281 (2014).
- *Micro-Lawyering and Practice Simulations in Trusts and Estates Classes*, 58 SLU L. REV. 739 (2014).
- *Parental Testamentary Appointments of Guardians for Children*, 25 QUINNIPIAC PROB. L.J. 369 (2012)(with S. Kristen Peters).
- *American Nonprofit Law in Comparative Perspective*, 10 WASH. U. GLOBAL STUDIES L. REV. 1 (2011).
- *Law and Literature Junior: Lawyers in Books for Young Children*, 11 WHITTIER J. OF CHILD & FAMILY ADVOCACY 39 (2011)(with Letitia Van Campen).
- *Making Cents of Intestate Distributions*, in STEVE FRIEDLAND, GERRY HESS, MICHAEL SCHWARTZ & SOPHIE SPARROW, TECHNIQUES FOR TEACHING LAW 2 88-89 (Carolina Press, 2011).
- *Why Retirement Is Better than Death: Taxes*, 30 ABA TAX SECTION NEWS QUARTERLY 9 (2010).
- *Testacy and Intestacy: The Dynamics of Wills and Demographic Status*, 23 QUINNIPIAC PROB. L.J. 36 (2009).
- 2009 Update of Dwight F. Bickel, LIVING TRUSTS: FORMS AND PRACTICE (Matthew Bender, 2009).
- *Prof. Alyssa A. DiRusso on Precatory Language*, Lexis Expert Commentary (2008).
- *DiRusso on the Power to Adjust under the Principal and Income Act*, Lexis Expert Commentary (2008).
- *DiRusso on Statutory Unitrust Elections*, Lexis Expert Commentary (2008).
- *Marketing Wills*, 16 ELDER L. J. 33 (2008)(with Michael R. McCunney).
- *He Says, She Asks: Gender, Language, and the Law of Precatory Words in Wills*, 22 WIS. WOMEN'S L.J. 1 (2007).
- "Tactile Learning in the Wills Classroom," *The Law Teacher*, Vol. 14, No. 2, p. 4-5 (2007).
- *Supporting the Supporting Organization: The Potential and Exploitation of 509(a)(3) Charities*, 39 IND. L. REV. 207 (2006).
- "Law Schools Are Enriched by the Perspectives of New Professors," *Student Lawyer*, Vol. 34, No. 5, p. 14 (January 2006).
- "Beginner's Mind: Thoughts from a New Law Professor," *The Law Teacher*, Vol. 13, No. 2, p. 11 (2006).
- *Statutory Techniques for Balancing the Financial Interests of Trust Beneficiaries*, 39 U.S.F. L. REV. 261 (2005)(with Kathleen M. Sablone).
- "Tenure-Track Law Professorships," *The Young Lawyer*, Vol. 9, No. 10, p. 5 (July/August 2005).
- "The Function of Gesture in Learning to Count: More Than Keeping Track," *Cognitive Development*, Vol. 14, Issue 1, pp. 37-56 (Jan-March 1999)(with Martha Wagner Alibali).

## PRESENTATIONS AND PANELS

- *Inequality, (Re) Distribution of Wealth, and the Federal Tax System: Taxexit (Tax Planning to Shift Revenue from Federal to State and Local Government)*
  - Panel Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools in Boca Raton, Florida (August 2017).
- *Pedagogy and Assessments in Tax Courses*
  - Discussion Group at Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools in Boca Raton, Florida – Moderator and Proposer (August 2017).
- *Beyond the Socratic Method in Trusts and Estates*
  - Discussion Group at Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools in Boca Raton, Florida – Presenter (July 2016).
- *The Unruly Nature of the Law of Sex, Death, and Taxes: Granny-Style*
  - Panel Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Association of American Law Schools in San Francisco, California (January 2017).
- *Teaching the Knowledge, Skills, and Values of Trusts and Estates in the Age of Assessment*
  - Discussion Group at Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools on Amelia Island, Florida – Presenter (July 2016).
- *Sex and Death: Gender and Sexuality Matters in Trusts and Estates*
  - Panel Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Association of American Law Schools in New York City, New York – Moderator and Proposer (January 2016).
- *Innovations in Trusts and Estates*
  - Discussion Group at Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools on Amelia Island, Florida – Moderator and Proposer (August 2014).
- *Improving an ING (But Why We May Not Want Any-ING Anyway)*
  - Commentator at Symposium of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee (February 2014).
- *Trusts and Estates Scholarship and Pedagogy*
  - Discussion Group at Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools in Palm Beach, Florida – Moderator and Proposer (August 2013).
- *Charity at Work: Proposing a Charitable Flexible Spending Account*
  - Panel Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association in Boston, Massachusetts (June 2013).
  - Oral Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Association of American Law Schools in New Orleans, Louisiana (January 2013).
- *Parental Testamentary Appointments of Guardians for Children/The Law and Reality of Trusts and Estates*
  - Panel Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools in Amelia Island, Florida (July 2012).
  - Panel Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association in Honolulu, Hawaii (June 2012).
  - Oral Presentation at Regions Bank in Birmingham, Alabama (April 2012).
- *Lanysers in Books for Young Children/Contemporary Issues in Law & Literature*
  - Panel Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools in Hilton Head, South Carolina (August 2011).

- Oral Presentation at John Marshall Law School Faculty Symposium in Atlanta, Georgia (April 2011).
- *Integrating Real-Life Practice, Micro-Lawyering, and Simulations*
  - Panel Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Institute for Law School Teaching and Learning in New York City, New York (June 2011).
- *Comparative Philanthropy Law and the Tax-Centrism of the American Third Sector/ American Nonprofit Law in Comparative Perspective*
  - Poster Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Association of American Law Schools in San Francisco, California (January 2011).
  - Poster Presentation at Ninth International Conference of the International Society for Third-Sector Research at Kadir Has University in Istanbul, Turkey (July 2010).
- *The Reason Why Retirement Is Better Than Death: Taxes*
  - Panel Presentation at Trusts & Estates/Employee Benefits Workshop at Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools in Palm Beach, Florida (July 2010).
- *Meeting Your Client: Initial Steps in Estate Planning Practice (Recent Graduate CLE)*
  - Presentation at Cumberland School of Law CLE for Recent Graduates in Birmingham, Alabama (September 2010).
  - Presentation at Cumberland School of Law CLE for Recent Graduates in Birmingham, Alabama (October 2009).
- *Assessing Lawyering Skills (Lawyering Exercises in Trusts & Estates Courses)*
  - Presentation at Cumberland Faculty Retreat in Birmingham, Alabama (August 2009).
    - Panel Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools in Amelia Island, Florida (July 2009).
- *Euthanizing Small Charities*
  - Poster Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Association of American Law Schools in San Diego, California (January 2009).
  - Poster Presentation at Eighth International Conference of the International Society for Third-Sector Research in Barcelona, Spain (July 2008).
- *The Intestacy Epidemic and the Marketing of Wills/Marketing Wills*
  - Panel Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools in Amelia Island, Florida (July 2007).
  - Poster Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Association of American Law Schools in New York, New York (January 2008).
- *He Says, She Asks: Gender, Language, and the Law of Precatory Words in Wills*
  - Oral Presentation at Texas Tech School of Law Works-in-Progress Colloquium in Lubbock, Texas (October 2006).
  - Poster Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Association of American Law Schools in Washington, D.C. (January 2007).
  - Poster Presentation at Annual Meeting of Law and Society Association in Berlin, Germany (July 2007).
- *Supporting the Supporting Organization: The Potential and Exploitation of 509(a)(3) Charities*
  - Poster Presentation at Annual Meeting of the Association of American Law Schools in Washington, D.C. (January 2006).