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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

UNIVERSITY OF DENVER, STURM COLLEGE OF LAW, Denver, CO
Assistant Professor and Director, Immigration Law and Policy Clinic 2025-present
Visiting Assistant Professor and Director, Immigration Law and Policy Clinic 2022-2025
Adjunct Professor 2021-2022

Courses: Immigration Law and Policy Clinic Seminar
Immigration Law and Policy Clinic Field Component
Asylum Law and Practicum

Service: Sturm College of Law loan repayment committee member
Organized law professors amicus brief in Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals case
Faculty Advisor, Student Immigration Law Coalition
Supervisor, Independent Research Coursework
Co-Organizer, Immigration Law and Psychology Salons (funded by University of Denver Center for Immigration Policy and Research Semillas grant)

EDUCATION

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW
J.D. *magna cum laude*, May 2013
Honors: Order of the Coif
Arthur Garfield Hays Civil Liberties Fellow
Annual Survey of American Law - Senior Staff Editor

YALE COLLEGE

B.A. *cum laude*, with distinction in Political Science & Latin American Studies, May 2006
Independent Study: Instituto de Historia Cubana, Havana, Cuba, May - August 2005

SCHOLARSHIP

Elizabeth Jordan, *Accommodating Incompetency in Immigration Court*, 119 Nw. U. L. Rev. 513 (2024).

Margo Schlanger, Elizabeth Jordan, and Roxana Moussavian, *Ending the*

Discriminatory Pretrial Incarceration of People with Disabilities: Liability under the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Rehabilitation Act, Harvard Law & Policy Review 17, no. 1 (2022).

Annette M. Dekker, Amy Zeidan, Joseph Nwadiuko, Elizabeth Jordan, and Parveen Parmar, *A call for increased transparency and accountability of health care outcomes in US Immigration and Customs Enforcement detention centers*, The Lancet Regional Health – Americas, 2024:36 (June 2024).

Elizabeth Jordan, *Bars to Asylum for Disabled and Criminalized Noncitizens: Particularly Serious Crimes and Mental Health Evidence in Immigration Court After Matter of B-Z-R-*, 48 UA Little Rock Law Review 35 (2025) (invited symposium essay).

AWARDS

2026 CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION EXCELLENCE IN A PUBLIC INTEREST CASE OR PROJECT HONORABLE MENTION, for Successful Habeas Corpus Litigation in *Jeanette Vizguerra v. Choate*

2021 ARTHUR C. HELTON HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD, American Immigration Lawyers Assoc.

FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR, Madrid, Spain, September 2009 - June 2010

OTHER EXPERIENCE

CIVIL RIGHTS EDUCATION AND ENFORCEMENT CENTER, Denver, CO
Founding Director, Immigration Detention Accountability Project 2017-2022
Lead attorney, COVID-related litigation, *Fraihat v. ICE*.

THE DOOR'S LEGAL SERVICES CENTER, New York, NY 2015-2017
Immigration Staff Attorney

CAPITAL APPEALS PROJECT, New Orleans, LA 2013-2014

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2026

Presenter, "Mapping Justice: A Neighborhood-Based Model for Cross-Clinic Collaboration," American Association of Law Schools Conference on Clinical Legal Education

Presenter, ICE and the Courts, Sturm College of Law Constitutional Rights and Remedies Program

Co-presenter, “Hardship in Cancellation Cases,” American Immigration Lawyers Association – Colorado Chapter Spring CLE

Presenter, “Filing Habeas Corpus Petitions for Immigrants in Detention,” Colorado Bar Association CLE

2025

Presenter, “Unified Justice: Advancing Holistic Legal Education through Structured Cross-Clinic Collaboration,” American Association of Law Schools Conference on Clinical Legal Education

Panelist, “Conviction to Deportation: Barriers to Justice and Reform”, UA Little Rock Law Review Symposium

Presenter, “Habeas 101 for Colorado Immigration Attorneys,” American Immigration Lawyers Association – Colorado Chapter CLE

Presenter, “Crim-Imm Defense: Mastering the Categorical and Modified Categorical Approach,” 2025 Crimes and Immigration Hybrid Seminar presented by The National Immigration Project

2024

Presenter, “Breaking Silos: Enhancing Legal Education Through Cross-Clinic Collaboration,” Society of American Law Teachers Teaching Conference and Junior Faculty Development Workshop

“Disability Across Borders: How U.S. Law Can and Does Uplift Immigrants with Disabilities,” Texas Journal on Civil Liberties & Civil Rights Symposium

2023

“Care for People in Immigration Detention”, Denver Health Emergency Medicine Resident Conference

Mental Health and Immigration Law CLE, Colorado Chapter, American Immigration Lawyers Assoc.

2022

Ethics of Representing Noncitizens with Disabilities CLE, Illinois Chapter, American Immigration Lawyers Assoc.

2019

Immigration Detention Litigation Updates, National Lawyers Guild – National Immigration Project Annual Meeting

2018

Immigration Detention Litigation Updates, Detention Watch Network Membership Meeting

FEATURED MEDIA APPEARANCES

Seth Klamann, “Stuck in Aurora ICE facility, more detainees are agreeing to leave the U.S. voluntarily,” Denver Post (Oct. 22, 2025)

Megan Ulu-Lani Boyanton, “What are the rules of an ICE raid? Here’s what you should know,” Denver Post (Feb. 27, 2025)

Tom Dreisbach, “ICE releases investigation into immigrant's death after months of 'inexcusable' delay,” NPR Morning Edition (Nov. 8, 2023)