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EDUCATION

Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR

M.S. Agricultural and Resource Economics, June 2011

- GPA: 3.86/4.00
- 2010-2011 DeLoach Graduate Scholarship in Economics
- Teaching assistant, Advanced Econometrics (AEC 626), Spring 2011

University of Minnesota Law School, Minneapolis, MN

J.D. *Magna Cum Laude* December 2005

- GPA 3.656/4.333
- Member, Order of the Coif
- Journal of Law and Inequality: Staff 2003-2004, Outside Articles Editor 2004-2005, contributed published note
- Award for Excellence in Employment Law, Minnesota State Bar Association, Labor and Employment Law Section, Fall 2005
- Independent Study Papers: *The Balance Between Local Government and Central Authority in the Norwegian Political System* and *Innovations in Ownership: The Law and Policy of Alternative Small-Scale Business Enterprises*
- Study Abroad in Oslo and Bergen, Norway (through Hamline Law School)

University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN

B.A. *Summa Cum Laude* 1998

- GPA: 3.84/4.00
- Majors: Justice and Peace Studies & Psychology, Minor: Women's Studies
- Fellow for Research on Women, Luann Dummer Center for Women

EMPLOYMENT

Department of Applied Economics, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR

Instructor, Research Associate, Fall 2007 to present

Current Teaching:

Agricultural Law (AEC 388, 4 credits), offered as both in-class and ECampus courses.

Environmental Law (AEC 432/532, 4 credits), offered as both in-class and ECampus courses.

Food Systems (AGRI 411/511, 3 credits), College of Agricultural Sciences course on food supply chains, constraints and impacts incorporating material from 7 CAS departments. Planned development for Ecampus delivery.

Redeveloping Evolution of Environmental Law and Policy (AEC 253, 4 credits) for Ecampus delivery.

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Previous teaching:

Co-Taught Toxicology 507/607 Fall Seminar: Science, the Law, and Environmental Policy with Jeff Jenkins. Enrollment: 5 undergrads, 24 graduate students, mostly EMT.

Supervisor for ECampus Independent Projects (AEC 406, 6 credits).

Evolution of Environmental Law and Policy (AEC 253, 4 credits) on campus and for Chile Study Abroad program in Winter 2011.

Curriculum and academic programs: ECampus faculty coordinator, graduate certificate in Risk Analysis (forthcoming), Accelerated Masters Platform (AMP) in Applied Economics

Faculty affiliations: Masters and Natural Resources, Food in Culture and Social Justice, Public Policy

Graduate student committees:

Lindsay Trant, MS in Public Policy, expected spring 2017. Advisor Larry Lev, Applied Economics

Melissa French, Anthropology with minor in Food in Culture and Social Justice (serving as minor representative), expected spring 2017. Advisor Joan Gross, Anthropology.

Jenna Way, MS in AEC, December 2015. Linking Farm Profits and Environmental Quality Outcomes for Different On-Farm Conservation Practices. Advisory Clark Seavert, AEC

Matt Kitchen, MNR, March 2015. Remotely Sensed Shrub Density as a New Layer in Habitat Prediction Models. Advisor Michael Wing, College of Forestry

Guest lectures: AEC 121, Introduction to Applied Economics; AGRI 438, Exploring World Agriculture; ECE 530, Contemporary Energy Applications

Farmers' Legal Action Group, Inc. (FLAG), St. Paul, MN

Law Clerk, May 2003-June 2004; September 2005-December 2006

Legal research and writing on topics affecting family farmers. Contributing author of *A Farmer's Guide to Wind Energy*. Reviewer for *A Farmers' Guide to GMOs*. Internal memos on topics including: farmers' First Amendment right to avoid compelled fees, dormant Commerce Clause challenges to state laws prohibiting corporate ownership of farms, farmer's rights to information under the Privacy Act of 1974, administrative appeals process, contract and tort issues, etc.

Prof. Ferdinand Schoettle, University of Minnesota Law School, Minneapolis, MN

Research Assistant and Editor, June 2004-April 2005

Edited textbook for publication: *Teacher's Manual to State and Local Taxation: The Law and Policy of Multi-Jurisdictional Taxation*. Research and writing for additional papers, including the federal tax deduction for state and local taxes, and property tax valuation issues.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & RESEARCH PROJECTS

Oregon State University Center for Small Farms and Community Food Systems. Affiliated faculty.

Impacts of Values-based Supply Chains on Small and Medium-Sized Farms, National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) Project 2015-68006-22938. Member of project team led by PI Hikaru Peterson, University of Minnesota. Co-Project Directors: Keiko Tanaka (University of Kentucky), Gail Feenstra (University of CA, Davis), Marcia Ostrom (Washington State).

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Understanding and Designing Long-Term Resilience in the US Food System: the Role of Entrepreneurship and Innovation in Supporting Regional Food Networks (RFNs). National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) Project 2013-05181. Serving as Co-PI with Kathleen Liang (University of Vermont), Thomas Lyons (CUNY), Sue Lurie (OSU), et. al.

Renewing an Agriculture of the Middle: Value Chain Design, Policy Approaches, Environmental and Social Impacts: USDA Multistate research project NC-1198, member, 2010 to present.

Agricultural and Food Law Consortium, affiliated through E-Extension Agricultural and Food Law Community of Practice.

Oregon Bar, admitted May 9, 2007 (currently on voluntary inactive status). Section Memberships: Agricultural Law, Environmental Law, Real Estate and Land Use.

Minnesota Bar, admitted May 12, 2006 (currently on voluntary inactive status).

E-Extension Communities of Practice Member: Niche Meat Processor Assistance Network, Agricultural & Food Law, Land Use Planning, Sustainable Ag Energy, Wind Workgroup

PUBLICATIONS

Linking Regional Food Networks to Ecological Resilience. Lead author with Rob Fiegenger, Institute for Applied Ecology, and Sally Duncan, OSU Public Policy. Forthcoming in *Choices* special edition.

Can Regional Food Networks and Entrepreneurial Strategies Enhance Food System Resilience? Co-author with Sally Duncan (lead), Sue Lurie, Rob Fiegenger, Kathleen Liang, Seth Sherry, Nathan Davis. Forthcoming in *Choices* special edition.

The Future of Oregon's Agricultural Land. Sept. 2016. Lead author with Lauren Gwin (OSU Small Farms and Community Food Systems), Megan Horst (PSU Urban Studies & Planning), Nellie McAdams (Rogue Farm Corps) & Sheila Martin (PSU Urban Studies & Planning). http://centerforsmallfarms.oregonstate.edu/sites/default/files/formatted_future_of_farmland_final.pdf

PNW Farm Direct Marketing Series, Oregon State Extension Service. Updated and created new content on Legal Issues, Food Safety Regulations, Location and Property, Personnel Management.

Location and Facilities for On-farm Sales: <https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/pnw204>

Personnel Management: <https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/pnw205>

Financial Management: <https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/pnw206>

Legal Guide to Farm-direct Marketing: <https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/pnw680>

Food Safety and Product Quality: <https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/pnw687>

Can We Have Our (Safe and Local) Cake and Eat It Too? Oregon Re-crafts Food Safety Regulations for Farm Direct Marketed Foods, Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development, 3(2), 95–108 (2012). <http://dx.doi.org/10.5304/jafscd.2013.032.003>

Local Meat and Poultry Processing: The Importance of Business Commitments for Long-Term Viability. Research assistant. <http://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/err-economic-research-report/err150.aspx#.UcCuML8VU1j>; Expanded version with policy recommendations: <http://www.nichemeatprocessing.org/nmpan-research>.

A Family Legacy: Succession Planning for Ranch and Farm Owners, available at <http://arec.oregonstate.edu/succession.html> (2009) (presenter on DVD/video portion and contributing author).

Farmers' Guide to Wind Energy: Legal Issues in Farming the Wind, available at <http://www.flaginc.org/topics/pubs/index.php#FGWE> (June 2007) (contributing author with Jessica A. Shoemaker & Karen R. Krub, Farmers' Legal Action Group).

Community Wind: A Review of Select State and Federal Policy Incentives, available at <http://www.flaginc.org/topics/pubs/arts/CommWindAug06.pdf> (August 2006) (co-authored with Jessica A. Shoemaker, Farmers' Legal Action Group).

South Dakota Farm Bureau, Inc. v. Hazeltine: The Eighth Circuit Abandons Federalism, Precedent, and Family Farmers, 22 LAW & INEQ. 347 (Summer 2004).

The Eighth Circuit Grants Corporate Interests a New Weapon Against State Regulation in South Dakota Farm Bureau v. Hazeltine, 49 S.D. L. REV. 795 (2003-2004) (co-authored with Susan E. Stokes, Legal Director, Farmers' Legal Action Group).

POSTERS & PRESENTATIONS

Land Tenure in Oregon: Farm succession and access to land in Oregon's agricultural sector. March 29, 2016. Oregon Board of Agriculture, Land Use Subcommittee.

Access to Land: Land Transition Scenarios and Key Barriers for Beginning Farmers and Ranchers. February 18, 2016. With Lauren Gwin, OSU Small Farms and Community Food Systems. Poster and Presentation at Oregon Food Systems Network Convening, Meyer Memorial Trust and project support from Lazar Foundation.

Regional Food Networks: Understanding and Designing Long-Term Resilience in the US Food System. February 20, 2016. Poster at Oregon Small Farms Conference. Project funding: USDA National Institute for Food and Agriculture grant 2014-68006-21854.

Facilitator, Faculty Lunch and Student Conversation with Ruth Reichl. Provost Lecture Series Speaker, February 2016.

Creative Approaches to Online Discussions. Ecampus Faculty Forum, Spring 2015.

Preparing Oregon Family Farm and Ranch Owners for Management Transitions and Retirement Conversations. Western Extension Risk Management Education Project Number: 10500. Project team creating and delivering curriculum on business planning and succession; 4 workshops delivered in Oregon in 2014-2015.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

OSU Ecampus Redeveloping an Online Course Workshop, Summer 2016.

OSU Ecampus Faculty Forum. 2015 (presenter), 2016.