

# MICHELLE S. JACOBS

## EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey  
A.B. *cum laude* 1977

Publication: *Kafa.a*: Principle of Equality in Middle Eastern Marriage Law

Rutgers University School of Law - Newark  
15 Washington Street, Newark, New Jersey  
Juris Doctor 1982

Staff Member Women's Rights Law Reporter

## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

*Professor of Law* (1998 - Present)  
Frederic G. Levin College of Law, University of Florida  
Gainesville, Florida

Courses taught: Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, International Criminal Law, Criminal Law in the Virtual Context, Critical Race Theory, Women Defendants in the Criminal Justice System

*Visiting Professor of Law* (Fall 1999-2002)  
Howard University Law School  
2900 Van Ness Street, NW  
Washington, DC

Courses taught: Criminal Law, Criminal Justice Clinic, Critical Race Theory, Women Defendants in the Criminal Justice System

*Associate Professor of Law* (1996-1998)  
University of Florida College of Law  
Gainesville, Florida

Criminal Law. Criminal Clinic  
Women Defendants in the Criminal Justice System

*Visiting Associate Professor* (Fall 1996)  
Columbia University Law School  
New York, New York

Course taught: Fair Housing Clinic

*Assistant Professor* (1993-1996)  
University of Florida College of Law

*Adjunct* (Spring 1993)  
CUNY College of Law  
Queens, New York  
Course taught: Criminal Procedure

*Clinical Staff Attorney* (Fall 1990-1993)  
Rutgers University School of Law  
Newark, New Jersey

Course taught: Urban Legal Clinic (included Trial Advocacy component)

## **NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT**

*Law Partner* (1985-1990)  
McGee & Jacobs  
120 Duane Street  
New York, New York

General practice with emphasis on criminal defense on state and federal level; family matters including marital dissolution and establishment of paternity and child support.

*Staff Attorney* (1983-1985)  
Fair Housing Council of Northern New Jersey, Inc.  
Hackensack, New Jersey  
Represented the agency and individual plaintiffs in federal litigation challenging discriminatory practices in the rental and sale of housing.

*Staff Attorney*  
District Council 37 - Municipal Employees Legal Services Plan  
125 Barclay Street  
New York, New York  
Represented New York City employees in all civil matters as part of the union benefits program.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### *Books*

Feminist Legal Theory: Beyond Essentialism, co-editor, New York University Press (2002)

### *Book Chapters*

Invisible Criminality: Male Peer-Support Groups, Alcohol, and the Risk of Aggressive Sexual Behavior in RACE TO INJUSTICE: LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE DUKE LACROSSE RAPE CASE, edited by Michael L. Seigel (2009)

### *Pod cast*

Featured Guest on Lawyer2Lawyer Podcast on Legal Talk Network, Inside the Trayvon Martin Tragedy, March 28, 2012

### *Articles*

The Violent State: Black Women's Invisible Struggle Against Police Violence, 24 Wm & Mary J. Women and the Law 39 (2017)

Loyalty's Reward – A Felony Conviction: Recent Prosecutions of High – Status Female Offenders, 33 Fordham Urb. L. J. 843 (2006)

Piercing the Prison Uniform of Invisibility For Black Female Inmates  
94 J. Crim. L. & Criminology 795 (2004)(book review of INNER LIVES: Voices of African American Women in Prison, Paula C. Johnson).

Full Legal Representation for the Poor: The Clash Between Lawyer Values and Client Worthiness, 44 Howard Law Journal 257 (2001)

Coming Full Circle: The African American Struggle for Full Citizenship Under Color of Law, Transforming Anthropology, Vol 9, No. 1, 44 (2000)

Prostitutes, Drug Users, and Thieve: The Invisible Women in the Campaign to End Violence Against Women, 8 Temple Political & Civil Rights Law Review 459 (1999)

Requiring Battered Women Die: Murder Liability for Mothers Under Failure to Protect Statutes, 88 Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology 579 (1998)

Mandatory Pro Bono: Real Change or Imagined, 48 Florida Law Review 509 (1998)

People from the Footnotes: The Missing Element in Client-Centered Counseling, 27 Golden Gate University Law Review 345 (1997)

Do the Rules of Ethics Require Zealous Representation for Poor People?  
8 St. Thomas Law Review 97 (1995)

Legitimacy and the Law Game, 1 Clinical Law Review 187 (1994)

## REPRINTED IN ANTHOLOGIES

Lawyer's Ethics and the Pursuit of Social Justice: A Critical Reader (Susan D. Carle, ed. 2005)

Clinical Anthology: Reading for Live Client Clinics (Alex J. Hurder, ed. 7<sup>th</sup> ed. 1997)

## PAPERS PRESENTED

Prostitutes, Drug Users and Thieves: The Women the Women's Movement Would Like to Forget. October 1998 Redefining Violence Against Women Conference, Temple University Law School, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Women That the Feminist Movement Would Like to Forget. March 1998 National Women in Law Conference, Golden Gate University Law School, San Francisco, California

Values, the Code of Professional Conduct and Professionalism in Clinical Teaching. May 1998 Association of American Law Schools Clinical Conference, Portland, Oregon

Leadership, Lawyering and the Radical Theology of Martin Luther King, Jr. May 1998 Southeast/Southwest Law Teachers of Color Scholarship Conference, Atlanta, Georgia

Lawyers and Notions of Client Worthiness. January 1996 Association of American Law Schools Annual Conference

Using Documentary Film As a Teaching Tool. January 1996, Association of American Law Schools Annual Conference

Ethical and Legal parallels between Rendering Medical Treatment to the Poor and Giving Legal Advice to the Poor. Fall 1994 Advanced seminar in College of Health and Human Performance, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

People from the Footnotes: The Missing Element in Client-Centered Counseling. June 1994 Northeast Corridor Black Women law Professor's Collective

Using Pop Culture to Teach Law. January 1994, Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting

People from the Footnotes: The Missing Element in Client-Centered Counseling. December 1993 Clinical Theory Workshop, New York Law School, New York, New York.

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

### *Panelist:*

William & Mary Journal of Women and the Law Symposium: Women and Law Enforcement. February 2017

#BlackLivesMatter: Law Clinics, Field Placement & Clinical Responses in Sanford, Ferguson, Staten Island, Cleveland, and Our Communities. May 29, 2015, AALS Annual Conference on Clinical Education

Race Relations & Diversity-Then and Now. May 29, 2015 Alumni Panel, Princeton University

Law and Violence. October 2000, Law Day Program sponsored by Howard University Law School, Washington, DC

Activist Approaches to Fighting Police Brutality. November 1999 National Lawyers Guild, Georgetown University Law School, Washington, DC

Putting a Stop to Police Brutality. October 1999 Black Law Students Association, Howard University Law School, Washington, DC

Rebuilding the Bridges of Sisterhood. January 1999 Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting

Role of the Defense Lawyer in the Battle Against Domestic Violence. June 1998 Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Orlando, Florida

Teaching About Difference. September 1997 Society of American Law Teachers Conference, Washington, DC

Current Issues on the Death Penalty. Spring 1995 Center for Governmental Responsibility, Gainesville, Florida

First Amendment and Freedom of Speech on College Campuses. Spring 1995 University of Florida College of Journalism Faculty Enrichment Program, Gainesville, Florida

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Admitted to the Bars of New York, New Jersey and the District of Columbia  
Member of the American Bar Association  
Member of the Association of American Law Schools  
Member of the American Society of International Law

Former Executive Committee Member of the AALS Clinical Section (1995-1998)  
Former President of the Association of Black Faculty and Staff (1994-1996)  
University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida