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Biography

Jo Carrillo, J.D., J.S.D. is a Professor of Law at UC Hastings.

I publish and teach (or as I understand the process, I publish to teach) on the topic of property and marital property systems, financial intimate partner violence, consumer protection issues, and what I call legal humanities. Currently, my legal research centers on how specific statutes and constellations of statutes can encourage relational equality in intimate partnerships and friendships. I am also interested in mapping financial torts and crimes that are perpetrated in the family.

In the last decade, I have worked to better understand and advance the field of California community property law, the most complex marital property system in the U.S. if not the world. I edited the eleventh edition of a family property casebook that has been in use for the past 60 years. My other publications in the field include student-oriented texts and academic articles on fundamental changes that marriage equality has initiated in law.

Recently, I completed a monograph on the themes of justice and vigilantism in James M. Cain's early work. I started archival research for the monograph in 2012. My analysis is more historical than literary.

I am an elected member of the American Law Institute. I am a member of the Modern Language Association. I am a former trustee of the Law and Society Association. I have served on the Herbert Jacob Book Prize Selection Committee. I was on the Board of Authors for the Felix Cohen Handbook of Federal Indian Law (2005).

I am a peer reviewer for different academic journals. For example, I most recently served as a peer reviewer for the start-up Museum of Science Fiction (MOSF) Journal of Science Fiction. When it comes to science fiction I am particularly interested in how speculative fiction imagines and/or re-imagines the institution of property, identity (especially gender), and intimate partnerships.

My permanent academic appointment is at UC Hastings College of the Law in San Francisco. I have held temporary appointments over the years. I served as a Visiting Professor at Stanford Law School (1998-99). I was named a Lillian and Harry Hastings Research Chair at UC Hastings (2006-07). I spent a year as a Visiting Scholar at The Center for the Study of Law & Society at UC Berkeley (2006-07). My current CV is available above.

Availability

Keynote, Moderator, Panelist, Workshop, Author Appearance, Corporate Training

Expertise

Areas of Expertise

California Community Property, Comparative Marital Property, Community Property Systems in the U.S. and Beyond, Economic and financial aspects of intimate partnerships, Archival Research About the Representation of Law in Culture, Property Law and Property Theory, Property Related Mediation, Laws Concerning Indigenous Nations and Persons in the U.S., James M. Cain, Science fiction: property gender and relationships in, Property law as a public institution

Affiliations

American Law Institute : Member, Modern Language Association : Member, Felix Cohen Handbook of Federal Indian Law (2005) Board of Authors, The Center for the Study of Law and Society UC Berkeley Visiting Scholar, Stanford Law School Visiting Professor of Law, Law and Society Association Former Trustee , MOSF Journal of Science Fiction peer reviewer, Journal of Legal Education: Editorial Board, American Indian Law Review: Peer Review Panel, Book Series Co-editor Mapping Racisms Temple University Press, Law and Society Review Peer Review Panel, Law and Society Association Herbert Jacob Book Prize Selection Committee, Political and Legal Anthropology Review (PoLAR) Peer Review Panel, Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Chair Anthropology Section, Equal Rights Advocates: Board of Directors, American Men's Studies Association (AMSA)

Event Appearances

Law, Literature, and the Possibility of Justice
Modern Language Association Annual Meeting

Why James M. Cain Matters to American Law
Invited Presentation

Reading Law: How Property Law Influenced Seven Novels of the 20th Century
Property Works in Progress

Sharks and Currents: Mortgage Troubles on Main Street
The Mortgage Meltdown: Northern California Law Librarians Annual Meeting

The Role of Truth in Lending in the Current Housing Crisis
Beyond the Bailout: Risk, Responsibility and the Road Ahead

The Poverty Trap of the Subprime Crisis
West Coast Conference on Progressive Lawyering

Popular Culture Themes in the Work of Lawrence M. Friedman
Event in Honor of Lawrence M. Friedman

Education

Stanford Law School
J.S.D. Law

University of New Mexico
J.D. Law

Stanford University
B.A. Undergraduate Studies

Accomplishments

Chip Robertson Scholarly Publications Fund Award
Awarded by UC Hastings College of the Law.

Outstanding Mentor Award to American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian Students
Awarded by Stanford University.

Roger J. Traynor Scholarly Publication Award
Awarded for outstanding scholarly achievement by UC Hastings College of the Law.

Mediator Certification
Conferred by the Center for Mediation in Law.

Outstanding Service & Achievement Award
Awarded by UC Hastings 1066 Faculty Foundation.

Hastings Research Chair
Awarded by UC Hastings College of the Law.

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