

# **Jon Bauer, J.D.**

**Clinical Professor of Law at University of Connecticut**

Hartford, CT, US

Expertise: Asylum and Refugee Law, Immigration Law, Employment and Housing Discrimination, and Legal Ethics

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## **Biography**

Jon Bauer directs the Law School's Asylum and Human Rights Clinic, a program in which law students, supervised by Clinic faculty, represent refugees who have fled persecution and are seeking asylum in the United States. Since the program's founding in 2002, it has won grants of asylum or related forms of relief for more than 140 clients and their families. Professor Bauer, a Yale Law School graduate, has been teaching and supervising students since 1988, when he joined the UConn faculty after four years as a staff attorney with the Legal Action Center, a public interest law firm in New York City. His teaching also has included courses in employment discrimination law, refugee law, immigration and workplace rights, evidence, and a course about Wal-Mart, as well as clinics in the areas of civil rights, poverty law, and mediation. Professor Bauer's scholarly writing includes studies of multiple nationality and refugees, the role of physicians in asylum cases, the ethical implications of secret settlements, and discrimination against people with disabilities in the bar admissions process. An article on clinical pedagogy he co-authored with Professor James H. Stark has been included in the Clinical Legal Education Association's bibliography of basic reading for new clinical teachers. When not in the classroom or in court, Professor Bauer dedicates much of his time to public service. He is a past president of the Connecticut Fair Housing Center, and has served on the boards of several legal services organizations. In 2015, the Connecticut Bar Association presented him with the Tapping Reeve Legal Educator Award for his contributions to legal education and the legal profession, and in 2016 he received a civil rights "Leaders and Legends" award from the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities.

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## **Affiliations**

University of Connecticut, Gladstein Committee (governing board of Human Rights Institute), 2011 to present, University of Connecticut, President's Working Group on Immigration Changes, 2017 to present

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## **Event Appearances**

**Breaking Down the Wall: How UConn Law and Social Work are Advocating for Immigrants**  
UConn Schools of Social Work and Law

### **Refugees and Refugee Advocacy**

International Refugee Assistance Project, UConn Law School

### **Law School Clinics and the Work of the UConn Asylum and Human Rights Clinic**

The Law Society, University of Connecticut,

### **Dreams Turned to Nightmares: The U.S. Immigration System, Youth, and Families**

Diversity Week event, UConn Law School

### **Refugees and the Asylum ?Crisis?**

Tzedek Shabbat Speaker Series, Scarsdale Synagogue

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### **Education**

Yale Law School

J.D.

Cornell University

B.A.

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