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Biography

Professor D. Kelly Weisberg received her undergraduate degree at Brandeis University, graduating Phi Beta Kappa with a double major in sociology and French literature. She later earned a Ph.D. in sociology from Brandeis University and a J.D. from the UC Berkeley School of Law (Boalt Hall), where she served on the California Law Review. Professor Weisberg joined the UC Hastings faculty in 1982 after two years on the faculty at Washington University School of Law, St. Louis. Before that time, she participated in federally-funded studies of juvenile parole, justice prostitution, family violence, and child sexual abuse. She served as a consultant for the American Bar Association?s Women on Law Faculties Study, and the American Justice Institute?s National Juvenile Justice Assessment Center. She testified before the U.S. Senate Subcommittee of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention on the relationship between runaway behavior and juvenile prostitution. She also worked as a legal intern at the International Commission of Jurists in Geneva, conducting legal research on the rights of children during the International Year of the Child. At UC Hastings, Professor Weisberg served as Director of the Family Law Concentration from 2004-2007. She is currently Director of the 3+3 Program between UC Hastings and UC Santa Cruz. She is the author or co-author of several law review articles and books on the subjects of family law, domestic violence, children and the law, and feminist legal theory. Her most recent books are Domestic Violence: Legal and Social Reality (Aspen Publishers, 2012); Modern Family Law: Cases and Materials (co-authored with Susan F. Appleton) (Aspen Publishers, 6th ed., 2016), and Child, Family, State: Cases and Materials on Children and the Law (co-authored with Robert H. Mnookin) (Aspen Publishers, 7th ed., 2014). She is also the editor of Domestic Violence Report, a national newsletter on domestic violence law and policy. Professor Weisberg has been a visiting professor at Boston University; Hebrew University; and the University of Florida Levin College of Law, Center on Children and Families, where she held the Hurst Distinguished Visiting Chair.

Expertise

Legal Services, Education/Learning

Areas of Expertise

Children and the Law, Domestic Violence, Juvenile Justice, Family Law, Wills and Trust, Feminist Legal Theory

Affiliations

Domestic Violence (Journal): Editor, American Law Institute: Member

Event Appearances

Setting the Stage for the Same-Sex Marriage Cases Invited Presentation

Education

University of California at Berkeley School of Law J.D. Law

Brandeis University Ph.D. Sociology

University of California, San Francisco M.A. Sociology

Brandeis UniversityB.A. Sociology and French Literature

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