

## **James W. Cooper Fellows**

### **Symposia/Summits**

- 2019 - 11<sup>th</sup> John A. Speziale ADR Symposium, “Reimagining Dispute Resolution of Family Matters in Connecticut” co-sponsored by Quinnipiac School of Law
- 2019 - Opioid Summit, Part 2, co-sponsored by Quinnipiac University and Connecticut Bar Association
- 2018 - Opioid Summit, Part 1, co-sponsored by Quinnipiac University and Connecticut Bar Association
- 2018 - Probate Symposium, “Exploring Unsupervised Probate”, co-sponsored by the Quinnipiac Probate Law Journal
- 2018 - Limited Scope Representation and Modest Means Symposium, co-sponsored by the Connecticut Bar Association
- 2018 - Disabilities, Diversity, and Inclusion Symposium, “Achieving Meaningful Diversity and Inclusion for Lawyers and Law Students with Disabilities”, co-sponsored by the Connecticut Bar Association Diversity and Inclusion Committee
- 2018 - Trauma-Informed Justice Symposium, co-sponsored by the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and Quinnipiac School of Law
- 2017 - Judge Mark R. Kravitz Symposium, “Should We Praise Litigation?”
- 2017 - 10<sup>th</sup> John A. Speziale ADR Symposium, “Finding Solid Ground: Environmental and Land Use Dispute Resolution in CT” co-sponsored by Quinnipiac School of Law, and Connecticut Bar Association Sections: Alternative Dispute Resolution, Environmental Law, Planning and Zoning, and Real Property
- 2016 - “LGBTQ Youth Issues and the Law” co-sponsored by the University of Connecticut School of Law Connecticut Public Interest Law Journal
- 2015 - “The Mentoring of New Lawyers: Challenges, Rewards, and Best Practices”
- 2015 - 9<sup>th</sup> John A. Speziale Alternative Dispute Resolution Symposium, “What are Cures for Conflict in Healthcare?” co-sponsored by Quinnipiac University School of Law
- 2015 - Judge Mark R. Kravitz Symposium, “Dollars, Sense, and the High Cost of Litigation: Causes, Consequences, and Responses” co-sponsored by Quinnipiac University School of Law
- 2014 - “Veterans in Transition: Military Culture, Mental Health, and Readjustment to Civilian Life”
- 2013 - “Impaired Lawyer” co-sponsored by the Connecticut Bar Association and Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers-CT
- 2012 - Judge Mark R. Kravitz Inaugural Symposium “Exploring the Vanishing Trial Phenomenon”
- 2012 - “Our History, Our Future: Celebrating Attorneys of Color in Connecticut”
- 2012 - “Science of Eyewitness Identification” Task Force
- 2011 - “Judicial Independence: A Crisis or Business as Usual?” co-sponsored by the Connecticut Bar Association
- 2011 - “Limited Scope Representation” co-sponsored by the Connecticut Bar Association
- 2010 - “Law & Technology-Flash Forward or Lost: How Technology is Changing the Practice of Law, and What's Next?”
- 2009 - “Bioethics and the Law - Legal and Ethical Issues at the End of Life: Confronting Incapacity and the Emerging Epidemic of Progressive and Chronic Dementias”
- 2005 - “Future of the Legal Profession” co-sponsored by the Connecticut Bar Association
- 2004 - “The Expanding Roles of the Judiciary: Boon or Bane to Judicial Independence?” co-sponsored by the University of Connecticut School of Law
- 2004 - “The Significance of Professionalism for Lawyers” co-sponsored by the Connecticut Bar Association

2003 - "Beginnings of a Law Career"  
2002 - "Capital Punishment" co-sponsored by the Connecticut Bar Association  
2001 - "Multidisciplinary Practice"  
2000 - "Multijurisdictional Practice"  
1998 - "Children and the Adversarial System"  
1996 - "The Survival of Legal Services for the Poor in Connecticut"

### **Current Projects**

- Constance Baker Motley Speaker Series on Racial Inequality
- Twenty-first Annual James W. Cooper Fellows Quintin Johnstone Essay Contest 2020-2021  
Topic TBD
- Fellows Roundtable Discussions
- Hartford Promise Mentorship
- Singer Connecticut Public Service Fellowship Program

### **Past Projects**

2018 - Oral History of Connecticut Women in the Legal Profession Project and Women Judges  
Photographic Portrait Project. Reception held June 7, 2018 at Legislative Office Building  
2016 - Pro Bono Colloquium  
2012 - Pro Bono Initiative and Crime after Crime Screening  
2008 - Legal Needs Study of Low-income Households  
2007 - Women Judges' Photographic Portrait Exhibit. Reception held March 5, 2007 at  
Legislative Office Building  
2004 - Juvenile Court and Children with Disabilities Training Session  
2003 - Judicial Compensation Study  
2002-2003 - Legal Needs Study of Low-income Households  
2001 - Russian Rule of Law

## **Essay Contest Topics**

2019-2020 "Immigration Situation"  
2018-2019 "Jumping the Gun – Preventing School Violence"  
2017-2018 "Diversity Disagreement?"  
2016-2017 "Taking a Knee or Taking a Stand"  
2015-2016 "Minors and Medical Decisions"  
2014-2015 "Restroom Unrest"  
2014-2013 "Food Fight"  
2012-2013 "Prescription for Success?"  
2011-2012 "Paying for Their Parents' Mistake? Tuition and the Undocumented Student"  
2010-2011 "Is Out of School Out of Bounds?"  
2009-2010 "The Trouble with Texting"  
2008-2009 "Techno Trouble"  
2007-2008 "Mary's Pot Luck - Students' First Amendment Rights"  
2006-2007 "The Powers of the President in Time of War"  
2005-2006 "Confidential Sources and the Rule of Law"  
2004-2005 "Civil Liberties Versus Security: A Delicate Balance"  
2003-2004 "Under What Circumstances, if any, Should a Minor Face Trial and Sentencing as an Adult?"  
2002-2003 "The Right to Die"  
2001-2002 "Civil Liberties Versus Security: A Delicate Balance"  
2000-2001 "Equal Justice Under the Law: Myth or