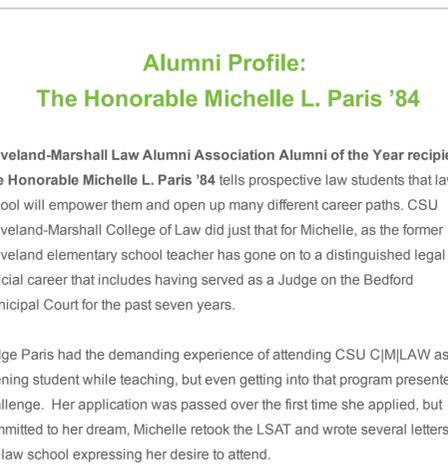




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### Alumni Profile: The Honorable Michelle L. Paris '84

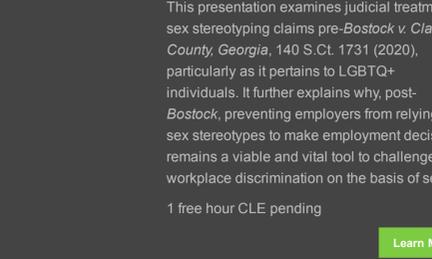
Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association Alumni of the Year recipient **The Honorable Michelle L. Paris '84** tells prospective law students that law school will empower them and open up many different career paths. CSU Cleveland-Marshall College of Law did just that for Michelle, as the former Cleveland elementary school teacher has gone on to a distinguished legal and judicial career that includes having served as a Judge on the Bedford Municipal Court for the past seven years.

Judge Paris had the demanding experience of attending CSU C|MLAW as an evening student while teaching, but even getting into that program presented a challenge. Her application was passed over the first time she applied, but committed to her dream, Michelle retook the LSAT and wrote several letters to the law school expressing her desire to attend.

"The moment my application went from the 'no' stack to the 'yes' stack changed my life forever," recalled Judge Paris.

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## Upcoming Public Lectures & CLE Events



### C|MLAW Law Day Forum: Witness to History - Reflections on January 6, 2021

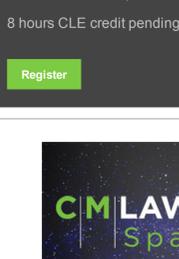
Friday, April 30 | 11:00 a.m. | Virtual

A Law Day Conversation with **United States Senator Sherrod Brown**.

*Moderator:* U.S. District Judge Benita Y. Pearson '95, Northern District of Ohio, C|MLAW Hall of Fame member

1 free hour CLE

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#### Faculty Spotlight Series

### *Bostock v. Clayton County, Georgia and Sex Stereotyping: The Road Not Taken*

Wednesday, May 19 | 12:00 p.m. | Virtual

**Professor Matthew Green, Alan Miles Ruben and Judge Betty Willis** *Ruben Professor of Law*

This presentation examines judicial review of sex stereotyping claims pre-*Bostock v. Clayton County, Georgia*, 140 S.Ct. 1731 (2020), particularly as it pertains to LGBTQ+ individuals. It further explains why, post-*Bostock*, preventing employers from relying on sex stereotypes to make employment decisions remains a viable and vital tool to challenge workplace discrimination on the basis of sex.

1 free hour CLE pending

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Center for Cybersecurity and Privacy Protection

### Cybersecurity and Privacy Protection Annual Conference

Thursday, May 20 & Friday, May 21 | 12:00 p.m. | Virtual

For the past six years Cleveland-Marshall's Center for Cybersecurity and Privacy Protection has hosted this cross-sector event featuring rich content relevant to lawyers, compliance professionals, technology experts, regulators and executives responsible for developing security and privacy policies.

8 hours CLE credit pending & 8 hours IAPP CPE credit pending

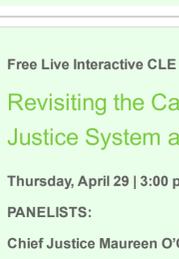
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CSU C|MLAW's Global Space Law Center will offer an online course during the summer of 2021, "Space Law: A Global View," that will cover the fundamentals of space law and how space law has evolved alongside the expansion of private and governmental space activity. Enrollment is open to lawyers, undergraduate and graduate students, or anyone interested in learning about the growing legal issues surrounding outer space

The three-credit hour, asynchronous online course will be taught by the director of the Global Space Law Center, **Professor Mark J. Sundahl**, a leading international space lawyer.

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### Prof. Oh Published Articles on George Floyd's Murder

**Professor Reginald Oh** has published a pair of articles in *Washington Monthly* related to the murder of George Floyd. In the article, "[Geography Helped Kill George Floyd](#)," Oh states the trial of Derek Chauvin should be seen as a trial of policing in the context of systemic racial segregation and racial dehumanization. In the wake of Chauvin's conviction, Oh's follow-up article, "[Chauvin's Murder of Floyd Was a Crime Against Humanity](#)," argues that the crime the jury should have been able to consider is a crime against humanity.

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### Prof. Forte Participated in Amicus Brief to the US Supreme Court

**Professor David Forte** participated in the submission of an amicus brief in support of a petition for certiorari to the United States Supreme Court in the case of *North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention v. Will Raney*.

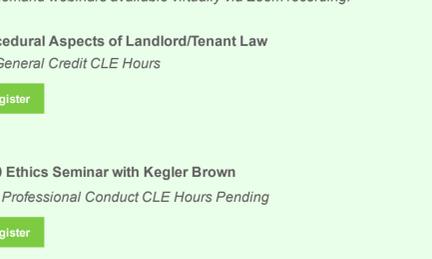
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### Prof. Sterio Published Blog Post on Child Soldiers

**Professor Milena Sterio** published a blog post about the recent conviction of Dominic Ongwen, former leader in the Lord's Resistance Army (Uganda), by the International Criminal Court. The post, part of an online symposium hosted by the blog, "Armed Groups and International Law," focuses on the issue of mitigation of punishment as Ongwen was a child soldier.

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THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2021 | 12:00 P.M.

### ANNUAL RECOGNITION LUNCHEON

The CMLAA will host its 2021 Annual Recognition Luncheon (ARL) on **Thursday, May 27, 2021 at Noon** as a virtual celebration! The 2021 ARL will honor the CMLAA's 2020 and 2021 Alumni of the Year.

#### 2021 Alumni of the Year:

**Honorable Michelle L. Paris '84**, Judge, Bedford Municipal Court  
**Chief Magistrate Gregory F. Clifford '80**, Cleveland Municipal Court

#### 2020 Alumni of the Year:

**Tim L. Collins '85**, Principal, Thrasher Dinsmore Dolan  
**Justice Michael P. Donnelly '92**, Ohio Supreme Court Justice

Interested in becoming a sponsor of the 2021 Annual Recognition Luncheon? Visit [give.classy.org/2021-art](https://give.classy.org/2021-art) for additional information and to purchase a sponsorship, viewing ticket or to make a donation.

View a complete list of our current 2021 ARL sponsors at [cmlaa-csuohio.org/art](https://cmlaa-csuohio.org/art).

Net proceeds benefit scholarship funds for Cleveland-Marshall law students.

For additional information, email [CmlaaArt@gmail.com](mailto:CmlaaArt@gmail.com) or call 216-687-2368

### Free Live Interactive CLE Webinar Revisiting the Calls for Equality in the Criminal Justice System and Ohio's Path Forward

Thursday, April 29 | 3:00 p.m.

#### PANELISTS:

- Chief Justice Maureen O'Connor** | *Ohio Supreme Court*
- Judge Gene Zmuda** | *Sixth District Court of Appeals*
- Judge Jeffrey L. Reed** | *Allen County Court of Common Pleas*
- Stephen Demuth** | *Associate Professor, Bowling Green State University*
- Maya Simek** | *Legal Director, Equality Ohio*
- Khalida Sims** | *Assistant Federal Defender, Federal Public Defender's Office, Northern District of Ohio*

*Moderator: Jonathan Witmer-Rich* | *Joseph C. Hostetter—BakerHostetter Professor of Law & Associate Dean, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, Cleveland State University*

Panelists will discuss inequities in the criminal justice system, the impact of race in sentencing decisions, the creation of an Ohio Sentencing Database, and how the creation of the database may address those inequities and disparities in sentencing in Ohio

2.0 free hours CLE

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### Live Interactive CLE Webinar Record Sealing Update: An Overview of the Big Changes in Ohio's Expungement Law

Friday, May 7 | 12:00 p.m.

#### PRESENTER

**Ashley L. Jones, Esq.** | *Owner and Principal Attorney, Ashley Jones Law*

Overview the big changes in Ohio's Expungement Law, including detailing of House Bill 1's sweeping expansion on criminal conviction sealing under R.C. 2953.21.

1 hour CLE pending

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### CMLAA CLE On-Demand Webinars

On-demand webinars available virtually via Zoom recording.

#### Procedural Aspects of Landlord/Tenant Law

2.0 General Credit CLE Hours

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#### 2020 Ethics Seminar with Kegler Brown

2.75 Professional Conduct CLE Hours Pending

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#### Personal Injury: PI in a Box

3.0 General Credit CLE Hours Pending

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#### Civil, Criminal and Traffic Rules Update: What You Need to Know in 2021

2.0 General Credit Hours and 1.0 Professional Conduct Credit Hour

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