

## **LOLITA BUCKNER INNISS**

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2004-Present Associate Professor, On Sabbatical 2005-2006, 1998-2004 Assistant Professor  
Cleveland Marshall College of Law, Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio USA  
Courses taught: Property Law, Criminal Law, Law in Literature and Film, Women in the Criminal Justice System,  
Comparative Racism and the Law (Canada/United States), United States Immigration Law  
Selected examples of service: University Senate, Dean Search Committee Member, Advisor to the Black Law Students  
Association, Chair of the University Admissions and Standards Committee

2005-2007 Adjunct Professor  
Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto, Canada  
Course taught: Comparative Racism and the Law

1997-1998 Martin Luther King Jr./Cesar Chavez/Rosa Parks Visiting Associate Professor  
Wayne State University Law School Detroit, MI  
Courses taught: Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, United States Immigration Law,  
Administrative Law

1995-1997 Visiting Associate Professor  
Widener University Law School, Wilmington, DE  
Courses taught: Administrative Law, United States Immigration Law, Immigration Clinical Seminar, Law and Literature

1994-1995 Clinical Associate Professor, 1993-1994 Adjunct Professor  
Seton Hall Law School, Newark, NJ  
Courses taught: Immigration Law Clinic, Legal Analysis

### **EDUCATION**

*PhD Candidate, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University*  
Toronto, Canada

Expected Date of Completion: September 2009

Thesis Topic: Under Surveillance: An Analysis of Legal Discourses of Black Women's Child Welfare Supervision in  
Canada and the United States

Other Research Topics: Comparative Racism, Feminist Legal Studies, the African Diaspora and the Law in the Western  
Hemisphere

Mary Jane Mossman Merit Award 2006-2007

Harley D. Hallett Merit Award 2006-2007

Graduate Associate of the Institute of Feminist Legal Studies, Osgoode Hall Law School 2006-2007

*LLM with Distinction*

*Osgoode Hall Law School, York University*

Toronto, Canada

February 2007

*Thesis based*

Thesis Topic: A Critical Legal Rhetorical Analysis of *In Re African American Slave Descendants*

Peter Hogg Merit Scholar 2005-2006

*J.D. University of California*

Los Angeles, California

Articles Editor, *National Black Law Journal*

Federal Court Extern, U.S. District Court Ninth Circuit Judge Consuelo Marshall

Moot Court Honors

Co-Chair, Black Law Students Association

*A.B. Princeton University*

Princeton, New Jersey

Major: Romance Languages and Literature  
Senior Thesis: "Les Femmes de Marie Chauvet" (In French, 63 pages)  
Certification (minor), Latin American Studies  
Certification (minor), African American Studies  
Latin American Studies Travel Scholarship  
Princeton in France Scholarship

## **BAR ADMISSION**

New Jersey  
Michigan

## **LEGAL PRACTICE EXPERIENCE**

1993-1995 Sole Practice, Princeton, New Jersey  
Work primarily in criminal defense, real estate and immigration

1989-1993 Summers, Council and Inniss, Trenton, New Jersey  
Founding partner of general litigation firm, work primarily in real estate, civil and criminal litigation, and immigration

1988-1989 Union County Prosecutors Office, Elizabeth, New Jersey  
Trial team Assistant Prosecutor, handled adult and juvenile trials

## **LANGUAGE AND ELECTRONIC MEDIA SKILLS**

Competent in French  
Conversant in Spanish  
WebCT website design proficient  
Lotus Quickplace website design proficient  
Refworks bibliographic software proficient  
Lexis and Westlaw proficient

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Law Review Articles**

*Forthcoming*

A Domestic Right of Return? Race, Rights and Residency in New Orleans in the Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina  
*Forthcoming 27 Boston College Third World Law Journal (Fall 2007)*

Toward a Sui Generis View of Black Rights in Canada? Overcoming the Difference-Denial Model of Countering Anti-Black Racism  
*Forthcoming, 7 Berkeley Journal of African-American Law and Policy (Fall 2007)*

Back to the Future: Is Form-Based Code an Efficacious Tool for Shaping Modern Civic Life?  
*10 University of Pennsylvania Journal of Law and Social Change (Winter 2007)*

*Published*

A Moving Violation? Fortuitous Presence in Drug Free School Zones, *8 Texas Journal of Civil Liberties and Civil Rights* 51 (2003)

Bicentennial Man--The New Millennium Assimilationism and the Foreigner Among Us, *54 Rutgers Law Review* 1101 (2002)

*Reprint of Tricky Magic: Blacks as Immigrants and the Paradox of Being of Foreignness Immigration and Nationality Law Review, Vol. 21 (2001)*

Tricky Magic: Blacks as Immigrants and the Paradox of Foreignness *49 DePaul Law Review* 85 (1999)

Dutch Uncle Sam—Immigration Reform and Notions of Family, *36 Brandeis Journal of Family Law* 177 (1998)

California's Proposition 187: Does it Mean What It Says? Does It Say What It Means? A Constitutional and Textual Analysis *10 Georgetown Immigration Law Journal* 1 (1996)

### **Encyclopedia Entries**

“Marie Dickerson Coker, Aviator and Musician”, in Henry Louis Gates, Jr. and Evelyn Higginbotham, eds. *African American National Biography* (Harvard University Press: forthcoming 2008)

### **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

Article--A Critical Discourse Analysis of *In Re African American Slave Descendants*

### **OTHER RESEARCH INTERESTS**

The “Grand” Cadastral Survey and Land Titles in the Caribbean

African Immigration to the “New” Europe

### **ADVISING AND REVIEW**

Promotion Review of Scholarship for Jacqueline Bridgeman, University of Wyoming (2005)

### **PRESENTATIONS**

Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting January 2007 Washington, D.C.

Topic: The Critical Legal Rhetoric Approach to Law and Identity

“Too Pure an Air”: Law and the Quest for Freedom, Justice, and Equality Gloucester, England June 2006 Topic: The Role of Memory in Critical Legal Rhetorical Analysis: The Legal Ideology of Black Belonging in the United States as Seen in the Case of *In Re African-American Slave Descendants Litigation*

Western Professors of Color Legal Scholarship Conference San Diego, California Spring 2006

Topic: The Rights Deficit Abroad: Black Rights in Canada

Osgoode Hall Law School, York University Black History Month Presentation February 2006

Topic: Journey to Justice: Sui Generis Black Rights in Canada?

Laterit South-North Exchange, Winter 2004 San Juan, Puerto Rico

Topic: “Juridical Statehood, State Failure and the Case of Haiti

Gendered Borders: Women and Immigration in Europe Conference, Fall 2004 Amsterdam, Netherlands

Topic: Women Immigrants of Color in the Republic of Ireland

Second National People of Color Scholarship Fall 2004

Topic: Journal of a “Crit”: African Ancestored Immigrants in Ireland

Midwest People of Color Scholarship Conference Annual Meeting Fall 2003

Responder, Paper on Immigrant Access to Drivers’ Licenses

Latino Critical Theory (LatCrit) Annual Meeting Spring 2003

Company, Care & Parentage: The Role of Race in the Demise of Irish Residency Based on the Birth of a Child

Cleveland Marshall College of Law Faculty Forum Spring 2002

Topic: Vouchers versus Charter Schools

2002 Spring Semester Cleveland-Marshall Faculty Speaker Series

Topic: Liability for Narcotics Offenses Under State and Federal School Zone Statutes.

Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting 2002 New Orleans, Louisiana

Topic: Using Technology in Teaching

American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting Fall 2001 Atlanta, Georgia  
Topic: Liability Under Federal and State Schoolyard Statutes

Student Public Interest Organization Fall 2001 Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Forum on the World Trade Center Attack  
Topic: Immigration Issues Arising from the World Trade Center Attack

Mid-Atlantic Scholarship Conference February 2001 Pennsylvania State University, Dickinson Law School  
Topic: Bicentennial Man--The New Millennium Assimilationism and the Foreigner Among Us

Central States Law Schools Association October 2000 Chicago, Illinois  
Topic: Law, Literature, and the Legal Interpretation of Mass Child Killings

Midwestern People of Color 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference, March 2000 Sedona, Arizona  
Topic: The Mass Killing of Children and the Criminal Justice System

Association of American Law Schools 2000 Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.  
Topic: Immigration and Race

Law and Society Summer Workshop Scholar, Summer 1999  
Topic: The Birmingham Bombing, the Jonesboro Shootings and the Development of a Legal Interpretive Framework

National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Spring 1999 John Marshall Law School  
Topic: Black Immigrants and Membership in the National Polity

Southeastern Legal Scholarship Conference, Spring 1998 Atlanta, Georgia  
Topic: The Birmingham Bombings, The Jonesboro Shootings, and Corruption of the Ideal of Freedom

Mid-Atlantic Legal Scholarship Conference, Spring 1997 University of Louisville  
Topic: Immigration Reform and the Family

ABC Television, Philadelphia, Fall 1996  
Topic: Immigration and the 1996 Elections

National Lawyers Guild Immigration Project, Fall 1996 Visiting Attorney Miami, Florida

Immigration Academic Conference, Spring 1996 University of Colorado  
Topic: Alienage Discrimination and Proposition 187

Mid-Atlantic Legal Scholarship Conference  
Topic: Proposition 187 and the Constitution Spring 1996 Howard University

PBS Television Philadelphia Fall 1995 Topic: The Republican Primaries and Immigration