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### ADMINISTRATIVE POSITION, STANFORD UNIVERSITY:

2019 – present

Associate Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education

Dean of Academic Advising

(A reorganization by the Vice Provost in 2019 led to a new name for the unit, and a new title)

2016 - 19 Associate Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education  
Director, Undergraduate Advising and Research

### ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS, CARLETON COLLEGE:

2016 - John M. and Elizabeth W. Musser Professor of Religious Studies, Emeritus

2013 - 16 Associate Dean of the College and Director of Advising

2012 - 13 Director of Faculty Development

2010 - 13 Director, Perlman Center for Learning and Teaching, and  
Humphrey Doermann Professor of the Liberal Arts

2003 - John M. and Elizabeth W. Musser Professor of Religious Studies

1997 - Professor of Religion

1990-96 Associate Professor of Religion

1983-90 Assistant Professor of Religion

### EDUCATION:

1983 Ph.D., Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island (Religious Studies)

1979-80 Hebrew University and Jewish Theological Seminary, Jerusalem, Israel

1979 M.A., University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota (Philosophy)

1976-77 Department of Near Eastern and Judaic Studies, Brandeis  
University, Waltham, Massachusetts

1976 B.A., University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota (Philosophy, Hebrew  
Language and Literature)

### PUBLICATIONS: BOOKS

*Repentance: The Meaning and Practice of Teshuvah* (Woodstock, Vermont: Jewish Lights  
Publishing, 2010)

Co-edited (with Elliot Dorff) three volumes (*Body; Money; Power*) in the *Jewish Choices, Jewish Voices* series (Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 2008, 2009)

*An Introduction to Jewish Ethics* (Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice-Hall, 2005)

Co-editor (with Elliot Dorff), *Contemporary Jewish Theology: A Reader* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999)

*Past Imperatives: Studies in the History and Theory of Jewish Ethics* (Albany, NY: SUNY Press, 1998)

Co-editor (with Elliot Dorff), *Contemporary Jewish Ethics and Morality: A Reader* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1995)

*The Sanctity of the Seventh Year: A Study of Mishnah Tractate Shebiit* (Chico: Scholars Press, 1983)

#### PUBLICATIONS: ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

"Elements of a Jewish Ethic of Leadership," *Journal of Jewish Ethics* (forthcoming)

"'Blessed is the One Who is Good and Who Brings Forth Goodness': A Jewish Theological Response to the Ethical Challenges of New Genetic Technologies," in Elliot N. Dorff and Laurie Zoloth, eds., *Jews and Genes* (University of Nebraska Press, 2015), 285-309.

"Balancing Justice and Mercy: Reflections on Forgiveness in Judaism," *Journal of Religious Ethics*, 41:3 (2013), 435-456.

"The Narrative and the Normative: The Value of Stories for Jewish Ethics," in William Cutter, ed., *Healing and the Jewish Imagination* (Woodstock, Vermont: Jewish Lights Publishing, 2007), 183-92.

"Therapy and Enhancement: Jewish Values on the Power and Purpose of Medicine," in Noam Zohar, ed., *Quality of Life in Jewish Bioethics* (Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, 2006), 121-30.

"The Law of Nature and the Nature of the Law," in Theodore M. Vial and Mark A. Hadley, eds., *Ethical Monotheism, Past and Present: Essays in Honor of Wendell S. Dietrich* (Providence, RI: Brown Judaic Studies, 2001), 259-277.

"Ethics, Faith and Healing: Jewish Physicians Reflect on Medical Practice," in David H. Smith, ed., *Caring Well: Religion, Narrative and Health Care Ethics* (Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2000), 117-43.

"Constructing a Jewish Sexual Ethic: A Rejoinder to David Novak and Judith Plaskow" in Saul M. Olyan and Martha C. Nussbaum, eds., *Sexual Orientation and Human Rights in American Religious Discourse* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1998), 46-53.

"Beneath the Robe: The Role of Personal Values in Judicial Ethics," *Journal of Law and Religion* 12:2 (1995-96): 507-31.

"Covenantal Responsibility in a Modern Context: Recent Work in Jewish Ethics," in *Journal of Religious Ethics*, 25:1 (1997):1101-1126.

"Good and Evil," in R.J. Zwi Werblowsky and Geoffrey Wigoder, editors, *The Oxford Dictionary of the Jewish Religion* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997), 280-81.

"Learning to be Led: Reflections on Reform Jewish Ethics and Halakhah," in Eugene Borowitz, ed., *Reform Jewish Ethics and Halakha*, (W. Orange, NJ: Behrman House, 1994), xiii-xxi.

"Talking Ethics with Strangers: A View from Jewish Tradition," in *Journal of Medicine and Philosophy*, vol. 18, no. 5 (1993), 549-67.

"Text and Tradition in Contemporary Jewish Bioethics," in Paul F. Camenisch, ed., *Religious Methods and Resources in Bioethics* (Dordrecht, The Netherlands: Kluwer, 1993), 127-43.

"Jewish Theology and Bioethics," in *Journal of Medicine and Philosophy*, vol. 17, no. 4 (1992), 309-27.

"The Challenges of New Reproductive Technologies for Jewish Ethics," *Creighton University Law Review*, vol. 25, no. 5 (1992), 1651-62.

"Covenant and Contract: A Framework for the Analysis of Jewish Ethics," *Journal of Law and Religion*, vol. 9, no. 1 (1992).

"Ethics as Law, Law as Religion: Reflections on the Problem of Law and Ethics in Judaism," *Shofar*, vol. 9, no. 1 (Fall 1990), 13-31.

"At the Crossroads: Reflections on Teaching Introductory Courses in Jewish Studies," *Shofar*, vol. 8, no. 2 (Winter 1990), 58-68.

Case Study (with Dr. Sheldon T. Berkowitz) on performing cesarean section on mother with anencephalic fetus, *Hastings Center Report*, vol. 20, no. 2 (March/April 1990), 22-3.

"Woodchoppers and Respirators: The Problem of Interpretation in Contemporary Jewish Ethics" *Modern Judaism*, vol. 10, no. 1 (February, 1990), 17-42.

"Law, Virtue and Supererogation in the Halakha: The Problem of *Lifnim Mishurat Hadin* Reconsidered," *Journal of Jewish Studies*, vol. 40, no. 1 (Spring 1989), 61-88.

"Mishnah Shebiit," (translation) in Jacob Neusner, ed., *The Mishnah: A New Translation*, (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1988), 68-93.

"The Quality of Mercy: On the Duty to Forgive in the Judaic Tradition," *Journal of Religious Ethics*, vol. 15, no. 2 (1987), 155-72.

"Tosefta Shebiit," (translation) in Jacob Neusner, ed., *The Tosefta, Translation from the Hebrew. First Division: Zeraim: The Order of Agriculture* (New York: Ktav, 1986), 201-47.

"David Weiss Halivni: A Source-Critical Commentary on Babylonian Talmud Yebamot 87b," *Semeia*, vol. 27, (1983), 93-101.

"Shamma Friedman's Commentary to Babylonian Talmud Yebamot 87b-88a," *Semeia*, vol. 27, (1983), 53-61.

Numerous book reviews in *Choice*, *Religious Studies Review*, *Journal of Reform Judaism*, and *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*.

#### PUBLICATIONS: NON-ACADEMIC

"The Thrill of Repentance," *Forward*, September 20, 2012

"Teshuvah and the Internet," *CJ: Voices of Conservative/Masorti Judaism*, 5:1 (Fall 2011), 22,55

"Choosing a College, Intelligently," *High School Counselor Week*, September 15, 2011 (<http://hscounselorweek.com/archive>)

"Understanding the Lost Art of Repentance and its Urgency," Jewish Telegraphic Agency, August 31, 2010

"Senator Byrd: Unorthodox Yom Kippur Role Model," Huffington Post, August 23, 2010

"The Pity of Bernie Madoff," *Forward*, April 3, 2009

"Money and Morals," *Sh'ma*, 39:656 (January 2009), 1-2

"Doing *Teshuvah*: Undoing Mistakes, Repairing Relationships and Finding Inner Peace," LifeLights series for Jewish Lights Publishing, 2006

"Praying for Healing in Community," *The Reconstructionist* 70:2, (Spring 2006), 56-61.

"Staying Focused on What Matters: A Vision of Teaching at Midlife" in Susan Singer and Carol Rutz., eds. *Reflections on Learning as Teachers* (Northfield, Minn.: College City Publications, 2004), 41-48

"The Spirit of Jewish Ethics," *Sh'ma*, 26/505 (January 5, 1996), 3-4.

"Being Myself, a Teacher," *Liberal Education*, 80:4 (Fall 1994), 52-55.

(Reprinted in abridged form in Mark Hadley and Mark Unno, eds., *Counterpoints: Issues in Teaching Religious Studies*, Department of Religious Studies, Brown University, 1995)

"At Carleton College Jews are an Enigma," *Sh'ma*, 15/281, (November 16, 1984), 6-7 (Reprinted in *The Hillel Guide to Jewish Life on Campus*, B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations, 1993, 6-9).

#### PRESENTATIONS:

I have given papers at the conferences of the American Academy of Religion, the Association for Jewish Studies, the Academy for Jewish Philosophy, the Midwest Jewish Studies Association, the Society for Christian Ethics and the Society of Jewish Ethics.

I have also given invited papers at the University of Minnesota, University of Washington, Hamline University School of Law, Creighton University, University of William and Mary (Andrea and Charles Bronfman Distinguished Visiting Professor in Judaic Studies), University of Virginia, Villanova University, St. John's University, University of St. Thomas, and California State University – Northridge, Harvard University and Stanford University.

#### COURSES TAUGHT:

Faith, Hope and Love: Religious Responses to Suffering, Hebrew Bible, Introduction to Judaism, Jewish Ethics, American Judaism, Introduction to Rabbinic Literature, Introduction to Religion, The Religion of Skeptics, Martin Buber, Zionism, Issues in Study of Religion (Religion majors required seminar), The Hebraic Experience, Reason and Revelation, Religious and Moral Issues of the Holocaust, Roots and Branches: Judaism and Christianity in Conflict (with Richard Crouter), Religions of the West (Judaism, Christianity and Islam), Contemporary Jewish Theology, Genesis, The Anatomy of Evil: Sin and Sinners in Religious Perspective, The Book of Job, The State of Judaism in the State of Israel

#### GRANTS AND AWARDS:

Large Faculty Development Grants, Carleton College (1988-89, 1994-95, 2002-03)

#### PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES:

Member: American Academy of Religion, Association for Jewish Studies, Society for Values in Higher Education, Jewish Law Association, Society of Jewish Ethics, Association of American Colleges and Universities, Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences

Participant, Management and Leadership in Education Institute, Harvard University School of Education (June 2014)

Chair, External Review Committee, Department of Religion, Whitman College (February 2013)

Participant, Aspen Institute, Wye River Faculty Seminar, (July 2012)

Designed and ran AALAC faculty workshop, "Mentoring a New Generation of Colleagues— Challenges, Prospects, Best Practices," Carleton College, June 3-5, 2012

Dissertation defense committees for Jonathan Crane (University of Toronto, 2010) and Geoffrey Claussen (Jewish Theological Seminary, 2011).

Participant, Faculty seminar, Twenty-First Century Liberal Arts Education, Transylvania University (July 2010)

Participant in national project on Judaism and Bioethics, organized by Professor Laurie Zoloth, with support from the American Association for the Advancement of Science (2003-05)

Founding president, Society of Jewish Ethics (2002-05)

Participant in consultation on Religion, Ethnography and Professional Life, Poynter Center for the Study of Ethics and American Institutions, Indiana University, (1997-99)

Reviewer of Religion Department, Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, IL, (Fall 1997)

Editorial Board, *Annual of Society of Christian Ethics* (1996-99)

Member, Accreditation team for Western Association of Schools and Colleges of Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles, (February-March, 1995)

Participant, Pew Roundtable in Higher Education (1993-95)

Participant in consultation on "Religion and Professional Ethics," Poynter Center for the Study of Ethics and American Institutions, Indiana University (1993-95)

Participant in consultation on "The Study of Religion and the Liberal Arts," Wabash College, (September, 1992)

Editorial Board, *Journal of Law and Religion* (1990-96)

Member, Steering Committee, Conference on "The Meaning of the Holocaust for Biomedical Ethics", sponsored by Center for Biomedical Ethics, University of Minnesota (May 1989)

Editor, *Religious Studies Review*, Judaic Theology and Modern Jewish Thought sub-section, (1988-94)

Member, Committee on Jewish-Christian Dialogue, Faith and Order Commission of the Minnesota Council of Churches (1987-91)

Chair, Campus Caucus, a subcommittee of Committee on Jewish-Christian Dialogue

Member, Program Committee, 10th National Workshop on Christian-Jewish Relations, Minneapolis, (November 1987)

Member, Ethics Committee, Aspen Medical Group, Minneapolis (1987-89)

Chair, Ethics Section, Upper Midwest Region of American Academy of Religion (1986-90)

Consultant on Jewish Studies and Jewish Student Life, St. Lawrence University, Canton, N.Y., (April 1985)

In addition, I have given many informal talks at local churches and synagogues on topics in Jewish life and thought. I have also been active in Jewish communal organizations, such as the New Israel Fund, and in synagogue affairs. I was president of the board of directors of the Talmud Torah of St. Paul (a private Jewish school) from 1994-96 and president of the board of directors of Beth Jacob Congregation (Conservative synagogue) from 2009-11.

SERVICE AT CARLETON:

Chair, Search committee, College Registrar (2014-15)  
 Member, Residential Life Director Search Committee (2012)  
 Convener, Strategic Planning Group – Curriculum (2011-12)  
 Chair, Curricular Design team (2007-08)  
 Member, Honorary Degrees Committee (2006-07)  
 Chair, Religion Department (1991-94, 2003-06)  
 Chair, Institutional Review Board (2003-06)  
 Member, Education and Curriculum Committee (1998-01; chair, 2000-01)  
 Member, Chaplain Search Committee (1996-7)  
 Member, Learning and Teaching Center Steering Committee (1996-7)  
 Member, Larson Fellowship Committee (1987)  
 Faculty advisor, Jewish Students at Carleton  
 Religion Department Career Coordinator (1984-87)  
 Campus Coordinator, Mellon Fellowships in the Humanities (1984-87)  
 Chair, Committee on Religious Life (1986-88; 1991-93)  
 Member, Faculty Judiciary Committee (1985-88)  
 Member, Committee on the Future of the Chaplaincy (1985-86)  
 Member, Academic Standing Committee (1984-86; chair, 1985-86)  
 Director, Program in Judaic Studies (1984-2006, 2013-14)

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