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James E. Moliterno is the Tazewell Taylor Professor of Law, Director of the Legal Skills Program, and Director of Clinical Programs at the College of William & Mary where he has been since 1988, serving also as Vice Dean from 1997-2000. He has taught legal ethics courses and professional skills courses at four law schools over the past twenty-six years.

A member of the American Law Institute, he has held committee leadership roles in both AALS and the ABA.

He is author or co-author of five books, GLOBAL ISSUES IN LEGAL ETHICS (West 2007, with G. Harris); ETHICS OF THE LAWYERS WORK (West 1993)(2d Ed. 2003); AN INTRODUCTION TO LAW, LAW STUDY, AND THE LAWYER'S ROLE (Carolina Academic Press 1991, 2d ed. 2004); PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (Aspen Law & Business 2006):and a casebook, CASES AND MATERIALS ON THE LAW GOVERNING LAWYERS (Lexis Law Publishing 1999; 3d ed. 2008). He is also the author of numerous articles on legal ethics and the teaching of legal ethics including Lawyer Creeds and Moral Seismography; An Analysis of Ethics Teaching in Law Schools: Replacing Lost Benefits of the Apprentice System in the Academic Atmosphere; and Legal Education, Experiential Education, and Professional Responsibility.



He is the Director of the Center for the Teaching of Legal Ethics, established at the College of William & Mary by a grant from the W.M. Keck Foundation. Under the provisions of this grant, he and William & Mary hosted two national conferences on the teaching of legal ethics. He has been a frequent speaker on ethics issues at both bar and bench functions, and he has served as a consultant to law schools designing skills and ethics teaching programs.

The Legal Skills Program, under his direction, has been recognized as a model for the teaching of professional skills and ethics, receiving the inaugural ABA Gambrell Professionalism Award in 1991. The Program has been visited by representatives of numerous law faculties, including those representing schools in Japan, Russia, Czech Republic, and Australia. The course has been modeled at many US law schools and by law schools on four continents.

He has engaged in substantial international legal ethics work, designing new lawyer and judge ethics courses in Serbia, Armenia, Georgia, Czech Republic, Japan and Thailand. He has done law professor training in China, Thailand, Georgia, Armenia and Serbia. He has worked to revise the lawyer ethics code in Thailand and lectured extensively on international lawyer ethics topics in Spain.

He has been a dedicated member of the William & Mary Law School community, receiving the John Marshall Prize in 2001. His public service work includes pro bono consulting and expert witnessing in death penalty cases that involve lawyer misconduct issues.

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