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LAUREL TERRY ADDRESSES LAWWITHOUTWALLS

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Professor Laurel Terry recently gave the inaugural thought leader presentation to [LawWithoutWalls](#), a collaborative law project that gathers and unites law students, professors, entrepreneurs, and attorneys from around the world to improve the practice and future of law. The organization's goal is to spark innovation in legal education.

Her LawWithoutWalls presentation addressed trends in global lawyer regulation. "The same technology that has made our world smaller created interesting challenges and opportunities—and ethical questions—for the profession," said Professor Terry, who is the Harvey A. Feldman Distinguished Scholar and researches global legal ethics. Next week she will participate in an interactive learning session titled "What is a Project of Worth: Utilizing Old Ideas in New Places" with LawWithoutWalls founder Professor Michele DeStefano Beardslee.

Professor Terry is one of the foremost scholars of the regulation of global legal practice. For example, she was part of the "Education Program" of the recent Midyear Meeting of the Conference of Chief Justices, which also included presentations by Attorney General Eric Holder and Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano. Professor Terry spoke on a panel titled "International Practice of Law and Regulation of Attorney Practice" with North Dakota Chief Justice Gerald W. VandeWalle, South Carolina Chief Justice Jean Hoefer Toal, the president of the Law Council of Australia, and J. Warren Gorrell, Jr., Co-CEO and partner in the Corporate Group, Hogan Lovells in Washington, D.C.

Last year, Professor Terry collaborated with Professor Catherine Rogers to propose an amendment to ABA Model Rule 8.5 pursuant to the [ABA Commission on Ethics 20/20](#). If adopted, the new rule would govern choice-of-law issues for legal activities that occur outside the United States or before an international tribunal that sits or is seated in the United States. The ABA recently posted the [proposed rule](#) on its website and has requested public comment. Professor Terry [explained the proposal](#) to amend the rule in a video on the Law School's YouTube page.

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