

The 2019 Annual Report of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies is entitled, “Field Makers.” Twenty years ago when the Center was founded, the field of international law and religion was in its infancy. The field has since come into its own, thanks to certain field makers. It is my pleasure today to introduce two of those field makers: Professor Elizabeth Clark and Professor Brett Scharffs.

Professor Clark is an Associate Director of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies. She has written and edited numerous books and articles on both comparative and U.S. law and religion issues. She has also participated heavily in law reform efforts, drafting analyses of pending legislation around the world as well as amicus briefs before the United States Supreme Court. In addition, she has testified on religious freedom issues before the U.S. Congress. Before joining BYU Law School, Professor Clark practiced in the Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation Group at Mayer, Brown and Platt in Washington, DC and clerked for Judge J. Clifford Wallace on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. She graduated *summa cum laude* from BYU Law School, where she was Editor-in-Chief of the BYU Law Review. Professor Clark and I became friends in law school. I can attest that in addition to her academic expertise and practical impact, she is a truly wonderful person. We look forward to her remarks.

After Professor Clark speaks, we will hear from another friend and field maker, Professor Brett Scharffs.

Professor Brett Scharffs holds the Rex E. Lee Chair on the law faculty at Brigham Young University. He is also the Director of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies.

Introduction of Professor Clark and Professor Scharffs by David Moore

Professor Scharffs received his bachelors and masters degrees from Georgetown University and a Bachelor of Philosophy from Oxford University, where he studied as a Rhodes Scholar. He graduated from Yale Law School, having served as senior editor of the *Yale Law Journal*. Professor Scharffs is the author of more than 100 articles and book chapters. His casebook, *Law and Religion: National, International and Comparative Perspectives*, which he co-authored with Professor Cole Durham, has been translated into multiple languages. He and Professor Clark co-authored *Religion and Law in the USA*, part of Wolters Kluwer's International Encyclopaedia of Laws. Professor Scharffs regularly teaches abroad on issues of religious freedom. Professor Scharffs and I served together as Associate Deans of the BYU Law School. I now have the privilege to serve under his able leadership at the International Center for Law and Religion Studies. He is a talented and caring individual, and good friend.

Thank you both for sharing your expertise with us. Professor Clark.