CALL FOR PAPERS

On Race and Family Law

For *Family Law Quarterly*

*Family Law Quarterly* (FLQ), a scholarly journal of the American Bar Association (ABA), is seeking papers for a special double volume focused on Race and Family Law. Race intersects with family law in a host of areas because of the unique history of colonization, chattel slavery, and immigration in the United States. Marital and nonmarital unions, reproductive agency, parenting, adoption, relative caretaking, child custody and support arrangements, government intervention, and building a life within a community have been experienced in different ways for Native Americans, African Americans, Latinos, and Asian Americans.

As interracial dating and marriage increase and the mid-millennium brings forth a majority-minority population in the United States, FLQ seeks to publish papers that analyze how race has influenced federal and state laws related to the recognition, function, and structure of the family, historically and today. Papers can also analyze racial impacts of federal and/or state family laws and practices, including those that create disparities in the child welfare system. Papers can further examine the impact on family law of demographic changes and of a more (or less) diverse legal profession as reflected in law school students and educators, attorneys, legislators, policy makers, judges, and others. In addition, papers can discuss proposals for change and/or highlight laws, policies, or legal programs that serve to improve access to justice for minority families.

The papers will be published in the summer of 2022. It is possible that there will be an FLQ symposium in the spring semester of 2022 featuring the selected authors and papers from this call. Papers will be selected and edited by FLQ volume editor Professor Jessica Dixon Weaver of SMU Dedman School of Law, together with FLQ Editor in Chief Professor Lisa Grumet of New York Law School (NYLS) and the FLQ Student Editorial Board at NYLS.

The submission requirements are as follows:

- **Length**: Submissions can range from 6,000 to 15,000 words.
- **Abstract**: If you are considering submitting a paper, please email an abstract to jdweaver@mail.smu.edu or lisa.grumet@nyls.edu by September 17, 2021. A committee will review the abstracts and select papers for publication by October 1, 2021.
- **Drafts of selected papers will be due by February 1, 2022 to https://www.nyls.edu/cfp.**
- **For questions, please email jdweaver@mail.smu.edu or lisa.grumet@nyls.edu.**