

## Curriculum Vitae

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### CURRENT POSITION

University of Delaware Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice Associate Professor	2005-present
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### PREVIOUS POSITION

University of Delaware Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice Associate Professor	2000-2005
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### EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Sociology, June 2000. Northeastern University, Boston, MA	2000
M.A. in Sociology Northeastern University	1994-1996
B.S. in Criminal Justice Northeastern University	1989-1994

### PUBLICATIONS

#### Books

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin with Carla Crowder (In Press, Fall 2008). *Dying Inside: The HIV/AIDS Ward at Limestone Prison*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Laura Beth Nielsen (2006). *The New Civil Rights Research: A Constitutive Perspective*. Burlington, VT: Ashgate-Dartmouth Press.

## **Books (Cont.)**

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2004) *Jurors' Stories of Death: How America's Death Penalty Invests in Inequality*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.

## **Refereed Journal Articles**

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2006) ""Different Approaches Need To Be Taken In Different Settings"-- Situating Activist Prison Lawyering: The Struggle For HIV-Positive Prisoners Rights." 38 *Studies in Law, Politics, & Society*: 3-25.

Antonio, Michael, Benjamin Fleury-Steiner, Valerie P. Hans, & William J. Bowers (2004) "Capital Jurors as the Litmus Test of Community Conscience for the Juvenile Death Penalty." 87 *Judicature*: 274-283.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin D. & Victor Argothy (2004) "Lethal 'Borders': Elucidating Jurors' Racialized Discipline to Punish in Latino Defendant Death Cases." 6 *Punishment & Society*: 67-84.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin D. & Kristian Wiles. (2003) "The Use of Commercial Advertisements on Police Cars, USA Post-911." 13 *Policing & Society*: 441-450.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2003) "Before or Against the Law? Citizens' Legal Beliefs and Experiences as Death Penalty Jurors." 27 *Studies in Law, Politics, & Society* 115-137.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2002) "Narratives of the Death Sentence: Toward a Theory of Legal Narrativity." 36 *Law & Society Review* 549-576.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (2002) "Keeping the Public in the Dark: The (Un)Availability of Public Information Regarding the Parole of Murderers." 6 *Homicide Studies*: 167-178, (2002).

Steiner, Benjamin D. (2001) "The Consciousness of Crime & Punishment: Reflections on Race, Political Narrative, & Lawmaking in the War on Drugs." 23 *Studies in Law, Politics, & Society*: 185-212, (2001).

Steiner, Benjamin D., William J. Bowers, and Austin Sarat (1999) "Folk Knowledge as Legal Action: Death Penalty Judgments and the Tenet of Early Release in a Culture of Mistrust and Punitiveness" 33 *Law & Society Review*: 461-506.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (1999) "Still Arbitrary: Capital Sentencing in the Post-Furman Era." 10 *Criminal Justice Policy Review*: 85-102.

## Law Review Articles

Bowers, William J., Benjamin Fleury-Steiner, Valerie P. Hans, & Michael E. Antonio (2004) "Too Young to Be Executed: An Empirical Examination of Community Conscience and the Juvenile Death Penalty from the Perspective of Capital Jurors," 84 *Boston University Law Review*: 609-693.

Steiner, Benjamin D. and Victor Argothy (2001) "White Addiction: Racial Inequality, Racial Ideology, and the War on Drugs." 10 *Temple Political and Civil Rights Law Review*: 443-475.

Bowers, William J., Benjamin D. Steiner, & Marla Sandys (2001) "Death Sentencing In Black & White: An Empirical Analysis of Jurors' Race and Jury Racial Composition." 3 *Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law*: 171-273.

Bowers, William J. & Steiner, Benjamin D. (1999) "Death by Default: An Empirical Demonstration of Forced and False Choices in Capital Sentencing." 77 *University of Texas Law Review* 608-717.

Bowers, William J., Marla Sandys, & Benjamin D. Steiner (1998). "Foreclosed Impartiality in Capital Sentencing: Jurors' Predispositions, Guilt-Trial Experience, and Premature Decision Making." 83 *Cornell Law Review*: 1476-1556.

## Chapters

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Aaron Fichtelberg (Forthcoming, 2008) "Paulina Escobar as Cause Lawyer: "Litigating" Human Rights in the Shadows of *Death and the Maiden*" in Austin Sarat and Stuart Schiengold, eds. *The Cultural Live of Cause Lawyers*. New York, NY: Cambridge University Press.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2005). "Death in 'Whiteface': Modern Race Minstrels, Official Lynching and the Culture of American Apartheid," in Charles Ogletree and Austin Sarat, eds. *From the Lynch Mob to the Killing State: Race and the Death Penalty in America*. New York, NY: New York University Press.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2004). "William "Willie" Horton," in F.Y. Bailey and S. Chermack, eds., *Famous Criminal Trials and the Media*. New York, NY: Praeger.

Bowers, William J., Benjamin Fleury-Steiner, & Michael E. Antonio (2003) "The Capital Sentencing Decision: Guided Discretion, Reasoned Moral Judgment, or Legal Fiction." in J. Acker, R. Bohm, and C.S. Lanier, eds., *America's Experiment with Capital Punishment: Reflections on the Past, Present, and Future of the Ultimate Penal Sanction* " (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition). Durham, NC: Carolina Press.

Bowers, William J. & Benjamin D. Steiner (1998) "Choosing Life or Death: Sentencing Dynamics in Capital Cases," in J. Acker, R. Bohm, and C.S. Lanier, eds., *America's Experiment with Capital Punishment: Reflections on the Past, Present, and Future of the Ultimate Penal Sanction.* Durham, NC: Carolina Press.

Bowers, William J. & Benjamin D. Steiner (1999) "People want an Alternative to the Death Penalty" (1999). in G. Stassen ed., *Capital Punishment: A Reader.* Cleveland, OH: Pilgrim Press.

### **Other Publications**

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (Forthcoming). "Innocence Project." *Sage Encyclopedia of Social Problems*, ed., Vincent N. Parillo. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (Forthcoming). "The Capital Jury Project" *Sage Encyclopedia of Race and Crime*, eds., Helen Taylor Greene and Shaun L. Gabbidon. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2008) "Mercy on Trial: What it Means to Stop an Execution by Austin Sarat" *10 Punishment & Society.*

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2004) "The Wrong Man: A True Story of Innocence on Death Row by Michael Mello" *5 Punishment & Society.*

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (2002) "Hegemony, Identity, and the Consciousness of Capital Sentencing Jurors." *Amici* (Newsletter of the Sociology of Law Section of the American Sociological Association), Volume 10 pp.9-11.

### **Funded Research**

"The Role of Race in Punishing Criminal Violence: Jury Sentencing in Capital Cases," Co-Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation Program in Law and Social Sciences, \$249,592, June 1, 2000- May 31, 2005.

"The Role of Race in Capital Sentencing: Delaware Tri-State Component," Principal Investigator, University of Delaware General University Research Grant, \$6,000, June 1, 2001-June 1, 2002.

## **Awards & Invited Presentations**

Annual Strausser Lecture: "Race and the Death Penalty: What Jurors' Stories Teach Us" (Paid expenses and honorarium). Lycoming College, March 26, 2008, Westport, PA.

"Death in White Face." "From Lynch Mobs to the Killing State: Race & The Death Penalty in America." Conference sponsored by the Charles Hamilton Houston Institute for Race Justice, Harvard Law School, May 05, 2006, Cambridge, MA

"Race & the Capital Jury." Annual Criminal Justice Conference of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, July 22, 2005, Airlie, VA.

"Dying Inside: A Social Autopsy of Preventable Deaths in One Alabama Prison." University of California-Santa Barbara. January 15, 2004

Co-Organizer "First Annual Meeting of the Consortium for Undergraduate Law and Justice Programs (CULJP). June 4, 2003 Pittsburgh, PA.

Invited Lecturer "The Capital Jury Project: Implications for Delaware Capital Defense Attorneys." Continuing Legal Education Program (CLE), Office of the Public Defender, December 2002, Wilmington, DE.

"The Capital Jury," *Death Penalty 2000 Symposium*, Widener University School of Law, October 27, 2000.

"The Capital Jury Project." *National Capital Case Conference*, San Francisco, California. April 27-29, 1998.

"The Failure to Achieve Impartiality in Capital Sentencing: Jurors' Predispositions, Attitudes, and Premature Decision-Making." *How the Death Penalty Works: Empirical Studies of the Modern Capital Sentencing System*. Sponsored by the Cornell Law Review and the Cornell Death Penalty Project, Ithaca, New York. March 28, 1998.

"Juries and the Death Penalty." *Live From Death Row: The Case of Mumia Abu-Jamal*. Sponsored by Northeastern University Center for African American Studies, Boston, Massachusetts. October 12, 1995.

## **REPORTS**

"Anti-Death Penalty Votes Were Activated in the December 9th Primary: Executive Summary of December 9th Exit Poll results." Boston: Northeastern University, Criminal Justice Research Program. (With W.J. Bowers & B.J. Hill) December, 1997.

"Urban Riot Update: 1994-1995." Boston: Northeastern University, Department of Sociology, Center for the Study of Violence and Social Conflict. (With J. Levin) November, 1996.

## CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PARTICIPATION

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Kerry Dunn (paper co-presentation) "Death Penalty "Reform" in Delaware." Law & Society Association. Baltimore, June 2006.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Kerry Dunn (paper co-presentation) "Death Penalty "Reform" in Delaware." Law & Society Association. Baltimore, June 2006.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin and Kerry Dunn (paper co-presentation) "Death Penalty "Reform" in Delaware." Law & Society Association. Baltimore, June 2006.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (author). "Author-Meets-Readers: *Jurors Stories of Death: How America's Death Penalty Invests in Inequality* (2004: University of Michigan Press)." Law & Society Association. Las Vegas, June 2005.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (participant). "Roundtable: The Death of Scholarly Law & Society Books?" Law & Society Association. Chicago, May 2004.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (participant) "Roundtable: The New Civil Rights Research." Law & Society Association. Chicago, May 2004.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (participant) "Sentencing Women to Death: Analyzing the Gender of Death Penalty Judgments." American Society of Criminology. Denver, November 2003.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (paper presentation) "Mobilizing Rights Consciousness Behind Bars: The Case of HIV+ Prisoners' Rights." Law & Society Association. Pittsburgh, June 2003.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (chair) "Author-Meets-Readers: *Knowing Rights* by Trish Oberweis and Michael Musheno. Law & Society Association. Pittsburgh, June 2003.

Bowers, William J. Benjamin Fleury-Steiner and Michael Antonio (paper co-presentation) "Jurors' Race: The Third Wave of Racial Discrimination in Capital Sentencing" American Society of Criminology. Chicago, November 2002.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (paper presentation) "Jurors Stories of Death." American Society of Criminology. Chicago, November 2002.

Fleury-Steiner, Benjamin (paper presentation) "Hegemony, Identity, and the Consciousness of Capital Sentencing Jurors." American Sociological Association. Atlanta, August 2002.

Steiner, Benjamin (paper presentation) "Legal Consciousness among Arab-Americans Post-911" Law & Society Association. Vancouver, June 2002.

## CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PARTICIPATION (CONT.)

Steiner, Benjamin & Laura Beth Nielsen (co-chairs) "Roundtable: New Directions in Inequality and Legal Consciousness Research. Law & Society Association. Vancouver, June 2002.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Racialized Consciousness in Death Penalty Decisions." Law & Society Association, Vancouver, June 2002.

Steiner, Benjamin and Naomi Bellot (paper co-presentation) "Punishing Identities: Legal Consciousness among African and European Capital Jurors." American Society of Criminology. Atlanta, Georgia. November, 2001.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Restorative Justice in a Colorline Culture: Challenges to Rebuilding, Healing, and Empowering Marginalized Communities." Justice Studies Association. Norton, MA May 2001.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Punishing Identities." Law and Society Association. Budapest, Hungary 2001.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "An Age of Innocents?: Death Penalty Rhetoric and the New Legality After the Illinois Moratorium." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. Washington, D.C. March 2001.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Race, Ideology, and Legal Action: The Case of Capital Sentencing Jurors." Law and Society Association. Miami, FL May 2000.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (chair) "Racialized Wars against Crime." Law and Society Association. Miami, FL May 2000.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Still Arbitrary: Capital Sentencing in the Post-Furman Era." Northeastern Academy for Criminal Justice Sciences. Newport, RI June 1999.

Bowers, William, Marla Sandys, and Benjamin D. Steiner (paper co-presenters) "Foreclosed Impartiality in Capital Sentencing: Jurors' Predispositions, Guilt Trial Experience, and Premature Decision Making." American Society of Criminology. Washington, D.C. May 1998.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Constructing Life or Death." American Society of Criminology. Washington, D.C. May, 1998.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (chair) "25 Years After Furman: Contemporary Research on the Capital Jury." Law & Society Association. St. Louis, Missouri. May, 1997.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "The Point of No Return: The Dynamics of Compliance at Final Sentencing." Law & Society Association. St. Louis, Missouri. May, 1997.

## **CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PARTICIPATION (CONT.)**

Steiner, Benjamin D. (participant) "Roundtable: The Capital Jury Project." American Society of Criminology. Chicago, Illinois. November, 1996.

Bowers, William J. and Benjamin D. Steiner (paper co-presenters) "The Pernicious Myth of Early Release for First Degree Murderers Not Sentenced to Death." American Society of Criminology. Chicago, Illinois. November, 1996.

Bowers, William J. and Benjamin D. Steiner (paper co-presenters) "An Eye For Whom?" American Society of Criminology. Chicago, Illinois. November, 1996.

Bowers, William J. and Benjamin D. Steiner (paper co-presenters) "The Illusion of Early Release as a Tenet of Crime and Punishment Orthodoxy." Law & Society Association. Glasgow, Scotland. July, 1996.

Steiner, Benjamin D. (paper presentation) "Ambivalence and Arbitrariness in Making the Life or Death Decision." Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. Boston, Massachusetts. March, 1995.

## **TEACHING INTERESTS**

Inequality, Crime, and Criminal Justice

Law, Legal Consciousness, and Social Change

## **SERVICE TO FIELD**

Chair, Conditions of Work Committee, Law and Society Association 2003-2007

Race and Ethnic Diversity Committee of the Law & Society Association 2001-2003.  
(Chair 2001-2002).

Co-organizer of the Law & Society Association Collaborative Research Network "New Directions in Inequality and Legal Consciousness Research" 2001-Present.

Co-organizer of the Law & Society Association International Research Collaborative (IRC) "International Legal Consciousness" 2006-Present.

Secretary, Consortium of Undergraduate Law and Justice Programs 2002-Present.

Manuscript Reviewer for *Studies in Law, Politics, & Society*, *Law & Society Review*, *Justice Quarterly*, *Criminal Justice Review*, Routledge Press, and Stanford University Press.

**SERVICE TO FIELD (CONT.)**

Grant Proposal Reviewer for National Science Foundation Program in Law & Social Science.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Law & Society Association  
American Sociological Association  
American Society of Criminology