

## VITA -- BRUCE G. BERNER

### Biographical

Born: 13 November 1943

Personal Status: Married, 3 children

Degrees: B.A. Valparaiso University 1965  
LL.B. Valparaiso University 1967  
LL.M. Yale Law School 1978

Practice: 1967 - 1971, Private Practice of Law--New Jersey; 1971-date, Member of the Indiana Bar.

Teaching: 1971 - date, Professor of Law, Valparaiso University School of Law, currently Louis & Anna Seegers Professor of Law

Administration: 1985 – 1993, 2002 -- , Associate Dean, Valparaiso University School of Law

Courses Taught: Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, Municipal Corporations, Professional Ethics, Debtor & Creditor, Commercial Law, Contracts, Torts, Legal History

Lecturer, Indiana Bar Review Course, 1975-1998

Lecturer, West Bar Review, 1996-1997

Member of the Bar: Indiana, New Jersey

### Publications

#### *Articles*

*Commentary: First Monday--Criminal Procedure*, 33 Val. U. L. Rev. 23 (1998).

*Recent Developments in Criminal Law & Procedure*, 25 Ind. L. Rev. 1158 (1992) (with D. Vandercoy).

*The Supreme Court and the Fall of the Fourth Amendment*, 25 Val. U. L. Rev. 383 (1991) (originally delivered as inaugural lecture).

*Recent Developments in Indiana Criminal Law and Procedure* (with D. Vandercoy) 24 Ind. L. Rev. 723 (1991)).

*Fourth Amendment Enforcement Models*, 16 Val. U. L. Rev. 215 (1982).

*Search & Seizure: Status and Methodology*, 8 Val. U. L. Rev. 471 (1974).

#### *Essays*

*The Insanity Defense: Guilty by Reason of Hinckley?*, The Cresset, (Sept. 1982).

*The First Amendment and the Flag*, The Cresset, (Sept. 1989).

*A Meaner, More Punitive Nation*, The Cresset, (Feb. 1990).

*A Thousand Points of Ambiguity*, The Cresset, (January 1991)

*Happy Birthday, Sweet 200, Happy Birthday, Sweet Sixteen*, The Cresset, (Jan. 1992).

*Happy Anniversary, Anita and Clarence!*, The Cresset, (November 1992).

*The Qummon Scrolls*, The Cresset, (March 1993).

*Cultural Impatience*, The Cresset, (2004)

#### *Other*

Researcher and author, Northern District of Indiana Speedy Trial Plan. (1974-1978) (plan available)

Special Deputy Prosecutor, State of Indiana, in connection with the Ford "Pinto" criminal litigation. (1978-80) (Briefs available upon request)

Arbitrator: Steel and Can Industries, Private Arbitration

### **Professional and Civic Service**

- CLE Presentations (approx. 3 per year) to:

- General ICLEF audiences (including yearly Indiana Update Seminar on Criminal Law and presentation for Clinic)
- Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council
- Indiana Public Defenders Council
- Indiana Judicial Conference
- variety of Police and Sheriff Departments, Prosecutor's Offices, Public Defender Offices

- Civic -- City of Valparaiso

- City Plan Commission, President (current)
- Commission Member, Task Force to Draft Ethics Ordinance
- Commission Chair, Task Force to Draft City Tree Preservation Ordinance
- Commission Chair, Task Force to Draft City Sign Ordinance
- Consultant, Porter County Prosecutor's Office

- Member, Board of Parks & Recreation, 1988-2005

- Member, Valparaiso Park Foundation

#### **University Service (Current)**

- Chair, Faculty Senate, 1990-2005 (including predecessor organization, University Senate)
- Budget Advisory Committee, 1995-date
- Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on the VUCA, 1996-1999
- Report Writer, NCAA Recertification Study, 1996-1997, and 2005-06
- Chair, Search Committee for Museum Director, 1997
- Faculty Athletics Representative to NCAA, 1990-2005
- Member, University Steering Committee, 1994-2005
- Master of Ceremonies, President's Circle Dinner, 1997-1998

#### **Law School Service (Current)**

- Member, various committees

#### **Teaching (Current)**

My current teaching assignments include: Criminal Law, Evidence, and Torts.