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Professor Carpenter teaches and writes in the area of intellectual property, with particular interests in entrepreneurship and the arts. She is founding Director of the Center for Law and Intellectual Property (CLIP), which has become a flagship program of the law school.

Professor Carpenter writes and publishes in the area of intellectual property and entrepreneurship. A book she edited, *Evolving Economies: The Role of Law in Entrepreneurship and Innovation*, was recently released in paperback. She has written multiple book chapters and published works in the *Fordham Law Review*, *Vanderbilt Journal of Entertainment and Technology Law*, *Nevada Law Journal*, *Louisville Law Review*, *The Trademark Reporter*, *Creighton Law Review*, and the *Yale Journal of Human Rights and Development*.

Professor Carpenter's talent for driving initiatives from concept to execution has helped to establish successful programs both within the law school and the university generally. She has spearheaded the creation of innovative academic programs with a focus on students, including experiential learning initiatives, the Need-To-Know Workshop program, study abroad, regular conferences and symposia, certificate programs, and interdisciplinary projects with various colleges in the Texas A&M University System.

A hallmark of Professor Carpenter's approach is the belief that learning best takes place at the intersection of theory, policy, and practice. She developed the Entrepreneurship Law Clinic and the IP and Technology Law Clinic, which support entrepreneurship and innovation for student entrepreneurs in the TAMU System and in the community at large.

Professor Carpenter has received multiple awards for her dedication to students, her skills in program development, and her service to the university and the community, including the President's Grand Challenge Award, the Judith Kuhn & Stephen R. Alton Service Award, and the 2015 United States Association for Small Business & Entrepreneurship (USASBE) Best Workshop Award. Throughout her career, Professor Carpenter has demonstrated a commitment to underserved communities such as early-stage entrepreneurs and grassroots arts organizations.

Professor Carpenter is Chair of the Academic Committee of the International Trademark Association (INTA), the preeminent organization of trademark professionals, and Chair of the Law and Entrepreneurship SIG for USASBE.

Professor Carpenter has been with Texas A&M University since the law school was acquired in 2013. Before she entered teaching, Professor Carpenter practiced law at Kirkpatrick & Lockhart, LLP (now K&L Gates), where she represented technology, multimedia, and sports and entertainment clients in a variety of intellectual property issues, including prosecution, licensing, management, and enforcement of intellectual property rights around the world. She has an M.A. and J.D. from West Virginia University, and a LL.M. from the National University of Ireland.