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Professor Jeffrey S. Gutman is a professor of clinical law and the Director of the Public Justice Advocacy Clinic at George Washington University Law School.

Professor Gutman holds a B.A. with distinction from Stanford University, where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and a J.D., *cum laude*, from Harvard Law School.

Prior to coming to the George Washington University Law School in 1994, Professor Gutman served as a trial attorney in the Federal Programs Branch, Civil Division, Department of Justice (DOJ). His work at the DOJ principally involved representing the federal government in constitutional and administrative challenges to federal statutes and regulations in federal courts throughout the country.

Professor Gutman directs the Public Justice Advocacy Clinic and, for over twenty years, taught Civil Procedure. The Clinic has engaged in impact civil rights litigation, public benefits advocacy, representation of low wage workers in employment law matters, and now represents individuals and non-profits in federal and local Freedom of Information Act litigation. He served as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs from 2000 to 2008.

Professor Gutman was the Editor-in-Chief of the Federal Practice Manual for Legal Aid Attorneys, served on the Board of Governors of the District of Columbia Bar, and mediates civil cases in the DC Court of Appeals and the DC Superior Court Multi-Door Dispute Resolution program. After representing four men exonerated of crimes by DNA evidence who spent decades in jail on civil claims against the District of Columbia government, he turned his scholarship to the area of wrongful conviction compensation. It is fair to say that his recent scholarship has made him the leading expert in the country on that issue. Professor Gutman is a special contributor to the National Registry of Exonerations and serves on the Board of the Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project.