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Nancy A. Welsh is Professor of Law and Director of the Dispute Resolution Program at Texas A&M University School of Law. In 2016-2017, she was Chair of the ABA Section of Dispute Resolution.

Professor Welsh is a leading scholar and teacher of dispute resolution and procedural law. She examines negotiation, mediation, arbitration, judicial settlement, and dispute resolution in U.S. and international contexts, focusing on self-determination, procedural justice, due process, and institutionalization dynamics. Professor Welsh has written more than 60 articles and chapters that have appeared in law reviews, professional publications and books and is co-author of *DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND LAWYERS, 5TH ED.* In 2006, she conducted research in the Netherlands as a Fulbright Scholar and taught at Tilburg University.

In 2016, she was named a Visiting Scholar of the Program on Negotiation at Harvard Law School and a Visiting Fellow of the Institute for Advanced Study at Indiana University-Bloomington. In 2018, the Texas Bar Foundation selected her article, *Do You Believe in Magic?: Self-Determination and Procedural Justice Meet Inequality in Court-Connected Mediation*, for its Outstanding Law Journal Article Award.

Before joining the legal academy, Professor Welsh was the executive director of Mediation Center in Minnesota and practiced law with Leonard, Street and Deinard. In 1997, she was named a Leading Minnesota Attorney. In 2011, she received the Pennsylvania Council of Mediators' Most Valuable Peacemaker Award. She has advised state legislatures and federal and state agencies and courts regarding the institutionalization of dispute resolution, conducted empirical research, convened roundtables and symposia on various dispute resolution topics, and served as a mediator, facilitator and arbitrator.

Professor Welsh presents nationally and internationally, conducts training, and teaches Civil Procedure, Mediation, and Dispute System Design Seminar. Before joining Texas A&M, she was Professor of Law and William Trickett Faculty Scholar at Penn State University, Dickinson School of Law, receiving the Teaching Excellence Award in 2010. She earned her B.A. *magna cum laude* from Allegheny College and her J.D. from Harvard Law School.