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**Brief Biography**

Professor Jason J. Czarnezki is the Gilbert and Sarah Kerlin Distinguished Professor of Environmental Law, and Associate Dean of Environmental Law Programs and Strategic Initiatives at the Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University (New York).

As Associate Dean for Environmental Law Programs, Professor Czarnezki has senior leadership and administrative responsibilities for the law school's top-ranked environmental law program including fundraising; overseeing program staff; evaluating environmental faculty hiring needs; analyzing and managing program budget; assessing branding, communications and marketing needs; external and alumni relations; developing program offerings and activities; strengthening connections between the law school and environmental practitioners; and expanding career experiential opportunities for program graduates. As Associate Dean for Strategic Initiatives, his portfolio includes improving outcome measures for the entire law school, using data analytics and budget analysis to improve student recruitment and retention, develop new marketing strategies, improve career placement, and offer unique solutions caused by the recent changes in the legal education market.

Prior to joining the Elisabeth Haub School of Law faculty, Professor Czarnezki was formerly Professor of Law in the Environmental Law Center at Vermont Law School and faculty director of the U.S.-China Partnership for Environmental Law. He has also held academic appointments at Marquette University Law School and DePaul University College of Law, and the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. He has served as a J. William Fulbright Scholar at Sun Yat-sen University in Guangzhou, China. Professor Czarnezki was formerly Honorary Research Associate at Oxford University's Environmental Change Institute (UK), Visiting Fellow at Uppsala Universitet Faculty of Law (Sweden), and Fellow at the University of Tromsø - The Arctic University of Norway. For 2020, Professor Czarnezki was named, by the Swedish National Research Council, the Olof Palme Visiting Professor at Stockholm University.

He has presented his work on natural resources law, environmental law, food policy, public procurement, sustainable business law, and global climate policy at universities, public interest organizations, government institutions, and conferences throughout the United States, Europe and Asia. Previously, he served as a law clerk to the Honorable D. Brock Hornby of the U.S. District Court for the District of Maine and as a law clerk for the Bureau of Legal Services at the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. His articles have been published in the law journals of Boston College, Boston University, Stanford University, University of Chicago, University of Colorado, University of Maryland, and University of Virginia. His books include "Everyday Environmentalism: Law, Nature and Individual Behavior" (2011) and "Food, Agriculture and Environmental Law" (2013). Professor Czarnezki received his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Chicago and his PhD in Environmental Law from Uppsala University in Sweden. Professor Czarnezki was born and raised in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.