

## **Biography of Professor Robert A Katz**

Robert A Katz joined the law school faculty in the fall of 2001, and holds a joint appointment with the Indiana University Center on Philanthropy. He is an expert in the law of nonprofit organizations and is president-elect of the AALS Nonprofit and Philanthropy Law Section. His recent scholarship focuses on social enterprise and for-profit enterprises that seek to combine profitability with social mission. His article “The Truth About Ben & Jerry’s” (co-written with Professor Antony Page) was published in the *Stanford Social Innovation Review*. He is currently researching the tension between the uses of social enterprise to mitigate human misery while also pursuing environmental sustainability. He has written on non-profit governance and the fiduciary duties of nonprofit directors, the charitable response to 9/11 and the role of charitable gifts in victim compensation, the interaction between nonprofit and for-profit organizations in the recovery and processing of donated human tissue for use in transplantation, and the historic role that Jewish hospitals played in combatting anti-Semitism.

In addition to courses in nonprofit law, Professor Katz teaches courses on the law of healthcare organizations, property theory, trusts and estates, and the First Amendment. He received his bachelor’s degree from Harvard College and his Juris Doctor from the University of Chicago Law School, where he served as comment editor for the *University of Chicago Law Review*. He clerked for the Honorable Stephen G. Breyer, formerly Chief Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit. Prior to his appointment to the law school, he served as a Bigelow Teaching Fellow and Lecturer in Law at the University of Chicago Law School, and a trial attorney with the Civil Division, Federal Programs Branch of the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. He also served as executive director of a charitable foundation in Massachusetts.