



## The Daynard Public Interest Visiting Fellows Program

brings distinguished public interest practitioners to campus each academic year for a three-day visit. The fellows serve as role models for students, demonstrating how legal skills can be used effectively and creatively to make the world a better place. This vibrant program was established in 2004 through the generosity of Professor Richard A. Daynard, president of the law school's Public Health Advocacy Institute, and his wife, Carol Iskols Daynard.

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## Winter 2020 Daynard Public Interest Visiting Fellow

# RJ THOMPSON

Managing Director, Sex Workers Project;  
Project Director, Human Rights Project, Urban Justice Center

### VIRTUAL EVENTS

**COMMUNITY LECTURE** Monday, December 7, 2020 • 12:15 - 1:30 PM

**The Human Rights of People Working in the Sex Trade**

**ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION** Wednesday, December 9, 2020 • 12:15 - 1:30 PM

**Destigmatize, Decriminalize, Decarcerate: The Intersections of Race, Gender, Sexuality, Migration and Labor in the Sex Trades**

RJ THOMPSON is a human rights lawyer, organizer and educator as well as a certified personal trainer, go-go dancer and performer in the adult film industry. Prior to joining the Sex Workers Project as managing director, Thompson worked as the Fair Courts Project community educator at Lambda Legal, where he trained judges, attorneys and court staff on gender and sexuality cultural competency and advocated for judicial diversity and judicial independence.

Thompson's previous work includes serving as the Miami High road coordinator with the Restaurant Opportunities Centers United, as director of the human rights program at the Woodhull Sexual Freedom Alliance, as the national campaign and advocacy manager at the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Community Center in New York City and as membership program coordinator at the US Human Rights Network Coordinating Center (USHRN); he later served on the USHRN board of directors.

Thompson received his JD from the City University of New York School of Law and his BA in Africana studies and political science from the University of South Florida in Tampa. Thompson is a queer-identified mixed blood Cherokee with deep Southern roots.

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