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In 2014, Giza worked as a data and research consultant in the case *Hurrell-Harring et al. vs. State of New York*. Subsequently, with ILS staff, she received a grant from the National Science Foundation to convene a workshop designed to stimulate scientific inquiry into the meaning, causes and policy-related consequences of 'quality' in legal representation.

Giza's scholarly work has investigated, among other topics, the collateral consequences of contact with the criminal justice system as it relates to employment, education and interpersonal relationships. Her research into these and other criminal justice issues has appeared in top-ranked academic journals, such as *Justice Quarterly* and *Crime and Delinquency*, as well as in multiple edited volumes, encyclopedias, and media outlets. She has also published a book, *Dying with Dignity: A Legal Approach to Assisted Death*, which traces the origins of the debate surrounding the legalization of "assisted suicide" in the United States and Europe.

Giza received her PhD and MA degrees from the School of Criminal Justice, State University of New York at Albany.

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