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ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

University of Kentucky College of Law • Lexington, Kentucky June 2011-Present

Associate Clinical Professor & Director of Legal Research and Writing Program

- Director of law school's Legal Research and Writing program, which encompasses first-year law students, upper-level student moot court advisors, full-time faculty, and full-time library faculty
- Courses taught: Legal Research and Writing, Advanced Legal Writing
- Committees: Curriculum Committee (chair), Building Renovation Committee, Strategic Planning Committee (chair), Institutional Compliance Committee, Staff Appreciation Committee, Diversity Committee, Honor Council, Ad Hoc Scholarship Committee, Ad Hoc Committee on Retirement (chair), Ad Hoc Pro Bono Committee, and Ad Hoc Marketing Committee

Georgetown University Law Center • Washington, DC July 2009-June 2011

Associate Professor, Legal Research & Writing

- Courses taught: Legal Research & Writing, Legal Writing Seminar: Theory and Practice for Law Fellows
- Committees: Committee on Clinics, Externships, and Public Interest, and Committee on Student Affairs
- Facilitator, Equal Justice Foundation Public Interest Fellowship Discussion Group
- Participant, First-Year Orientation Community Service Project

George Washington University Law School • Washington, DC 2004-2007

Adjunct Professor, Legal Research and Writing Program

- Courses taught: Legal Research and Writing, Introduction to Advocacy

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Hogan Lovells (formerly Hogan & Hartson L.L.P.) • Washington, DC and McLean, VA

Litigation Associate

Nov. 2002-Apr. 2007 & Jan. 2009-July 2009

Senior Associate, Community Services Department

May 2007-Dec. 2008

Summer Associate

Summer 2000

U.S. District Court for the Central District of California • Los Angeles, CA 2001-2002

Judicial Clerk for the Honorable Gary Allen Feess

Dorn & Klamp, P.C. • Washington, DC Summer 1999

Law Clerk

EDUCATION

George Washington University Law School • Washington, DC

Juris Doctor, with highest honors

May 2001

Class Rank: 1/427

- Order of the Coif
- John Bell Lerner Award for Distinguished Accomplishment (highest cumulative grade point average)
- John Ordonaux Award for Overall Academic Excellence (highest average grade point in first year)
- *The George Washington Law Review*, Senior Notes Editor
- The Legal Research & Writing Program, Dean's Fellow

University of Kentucky • Lexington, KY

B.A. Political Science, *Summa Cum Laude*

May 1998

- Phi Beta Kappa, Omicron Delta Kappa, and Golden Key National Honor Societies
- Vandenbosch Award for Outstanding Political Science Senior
- Recipient, Edith Schwab Memorial Scholarship (academic excellence and public service)

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- Co-Presenter, *Using Visual, Digital, and Oral Communication Skills in the Legal Writing Classroom*, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, Milwaukee, WI (July 2018).
- Co-Presenter, *Legal Ethics in Legal Writing*, UK/CLE Employment Law Institute, Lexington, KY (June 2014, 2016, and 2018).
- Co-Presenter, *Putting the “Form” in “Formative Assessment”: The Pedagogical Value of Outcomes-Based Rubric Forms As Learning & Teaching Tools in Law Schools*, 2017 Assessment Institute, Indianapolis, IN (October 2017).
- Publication, *Polishing Makes Perfect . . . Or Maybe Not*, Kentucky Bar Association Bench & Bar Magazine, November/December 2016.
- Co-Presenter, *Assessing Assessment: Using Data from Outcomes-Based Assessment to Build a Better LRW Program*, Ohio Regional Association of Law Librarians Annual Meeting, Dayton, OH (October 2016).
- Co-Presenter, *When Worlds Collide: Bringing a Professor’s Pro Bono Practice Into the Legal Writing Classroom*, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, Memphis, TN (June 2015).
- Publication, *Effective Writing is Organized Writing*, Kentucky Bar Association Bench & Bar Magazine, May 2015.
- Co-Presenter, *Assessment Inside and Outside the Classroom*, Legal Writing Institute One-Day Workshop at the University of Kentucky College of Law, Lexington, KY (December 2013).
- Publication, *Take a P.A.S.S. on Your Next Legal Document*, Kentucky Bar Association Bench & Bar Magazine, November 2013.
- Co-Presenter, *We Are Family: Effective Ways to Integrate the Legal Research & Legal Writing Components of a First-Year LRW Course Even When Taught Separately*, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, Milwaukee, WI (June 2013).
- Co-Presenter, *Going Pro: Helping Students Transition from Social to Professional Correspondence*, Legal Writing Institute One-Day Workshop, Chapel Hill, NC (December 2012).
- Publication, *Give Outlines Another Chance*, Kentucky Bar Association Bench & Bar Magazine, May 2012.
- Presenter, *Reports from the Early Years*, AALS New Teacher Workshop, Washington DC (June 2011).
- Publication, Case Note, *The Office of the Independent Counsel and Grand Jury Secrecy*, 69 Geo. Wash. L. Rev. 596 (May 2001).

BRIEFS (PRO BONO MATTERS)

- Kentucky Court of Appeals, *Jose Ramirez v. Tracy Neitzel*, Brief for the Appellant (October 2014).
- Supreme Court of Kentucky, *Jose Ramirez v. Tracy Neitzel, et al.*, Brief for the Appellant (January 2013) and Reply Brief for the Appellant (April 2013) (Court Appointment).

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

- Kentucky, admitted September 2013
- Virginia, admitted November 2004
- District of Columbia, admitted October 2003
- Maryland, admitted September 2002

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Association of Law Schools • Section of Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research
- Association of Legal Writing Directors (Teaching Workshops Committee)
- Legal Writing Institute
- American Bar Association
- District of Columbia & Kentucky Bar Associations