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TEACHING & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

University of Oregon

School of Law, Instructor/Senior Lecturer, Legal Research & Writing (LRW)
promoted from Instructor to Senior Lecturer
on leave while serving as Assistant Dean
Galen Scholar in Legal Writing

Eugene, OR

July 2004 – present

May 2010

June 2011 – May 2015

Aug. 2016 – May 2017

- Teach lawyering skills, including legal research, predictive writing, persuasive writing, and oral advocacy, to first-year law school students; offer constructive feedback on class assignments and independent writing projects.
- Design and teach additional courses, e.g., Intensive Writing, Legal Profession, and Judicial Writing.
- Actively serve on law school and university committees, including as faculty member of EMU Board of Directors (2015-2017) and Assessments and Outcomes Committee (2018-2020); led law school committees, including Community & Inclusion Committee (2015-2016).
- Co-lead pre-orientation program for non-traditional students; advise student groups; mentor students.
- Support operation of nationally ranked LRW program; hire, train, and supervise writing tutors.

School of Law, Assistant Dean, Career Planning & Professional Development June 2011 – May 2015

- Led team of career counselors in individually advising, assisting, and encouraging students and graduates, including with resume and cover letter preparation; directed planning and implementation of educational programming and career-related communications.
- Through innovation and creative leadership, helped improve overall post-graduate employment rate by 10% and employment rate most relevant to *US News* ranking by 14%.
- Collaborated with Oregon Law students, student organizations, faculty, administrators, and staff, as well as with outside entities and individuals, to create opportunities, increase visibility, improve reputation, enhance efficiency, and otherwise help achieve law school, Career Center, and individual student and graduate goals.
- Built and strengthened relationships with employers, alumni, and other potential speakers, mentors, and partners.
- Presented at a variety of law school meetings; represented Oregon Law at law school and external events.
- Spearheaded several initiatives, including creation and implementation of a required, credit-bearing, first-year course on professional preparation.
- Earned one of only two university-wide 2013 Outstanding Officer of Administration Recognition Awards.

American English Institute, Instructor

Winter Terms 2008 & 2009

- Taught Legal Analysis seminar for Argentinean law students in Law, Language, and Culture program.

University of California

Collegium of University Teaching Fellows, Instructor

Los Angeles, CA

Sept. 1999 – Mar. 2000

- Designed and taught undergraduate seminar; guided students in researching and writing original papers.

School of Law, Lawyering Skills Teaching Assistant

Aug. 1998 – May 1999

- Worked one-on-one with first-year law students to improve legal analysis and writing skills.

SELECTED LEGAL EXPERIENCE

U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

Judicial Clerk to the Honorable Harry Pregerson

Woodland Hills, CA

Sept. 2003 – July 2004

- Researched and drafted memoranda and opinions; prepared judge for hearings; observed oral arguments.
- Monitored and advised judge regarding potential *en banc* matters.
- Supervised and reviewed work of law student externs; assisted with law clerk and extern hiring.

Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP

Litigation Associate

Summer Associate

Los Angeles, CA

Jan. 2002 – Sept. 2003

July 1999 – Aug. 1999

- Completed civil and criminal pre-trial and trial work, including conducting legal and factual research; drafting briefs and memoranda; propounding and responding to written discovery; interviewing and deposing witnesses and reviewing documents; preparing jury instructions and witness cross-examinations; corresponding with clients and opposing counsel; and attending hearings.
- Supervised summer associates, paralegals, and other staff.
- Served on law firm committees focused on continuing education, summer associate work, and new attorney onboarding; interviewed law students and lawyers pursuing positions with the firm.
- Coordinated National Institute for Trial Advocacy deposition workshops for new litigation associates.

U.S. District Court, Central District of California

Judicial Clerk to the Honorable Dean D. Pregerson

Los Angeles, CA

Sept. 2000 – Sept. 2001

- Researched legal issues; wrote memoranda and court orders resolving motions in civil and criminal matters.
- Prepared jury instructions; observed hearings, settlement conferences, and trials.
- Supervised law student externs.

EDUCATION

Oregon State University – Cascades

M.F.A. in Creative Writing with Non-Fiction Emphasis

4.0 G.P.A.

Bend, OR

Mar. 2020

UCLA School of Law

J.D.

3.972 G.P.A. Ranked 9/349

UCLA Journal of Environmental Law and Policy, 1998-2000; Chief Articles Editor, 1999-2000

Honors:

Order of the Coif

American Jurisprudence Bancroft-Whitney Awards in Property and Lawyering Skills

Corpus Juris Secundum Award for Scholastic Excellence in Property

Los Angeles, CA

May 2000

Yale University

B.A. in American Studies & in Studies in the Environment

Honors:

cum laude; Distinction in both majors; Timothy Dwight College Master's Cup Award

New Haven, CT

May 1996

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS, SERVICE, & ACTIVITY

Association of Legal Writing Directors (Board of Directors, 2019-2022)

AALS Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research Section (Awards Committee Co-Chair, 2018-2020; Executive Committee Member, 2017; Outreach Committee Co-Chair, 2016)

Legal Writing Institute (2018 Biennial Conference Co-Chair; Pre-Law Outreach Committee Member, 2016-2018)

State Bar of California (inactive)

American Bar Foundation (Fellow)

American Bar Association

Manuscript Reviewer, Cornell University Press (Spring 2017)

External Reviewer, UCI School of Law Promotion File (February 2016)

Expert Witness, Oregon Commission on Judicial Fitness and Disability Hearing (October 2015)

Lane County Bar Association (Elected Director, 2012-2015)

Oregon Legal Recruiting Association (President, Spring 2015; President-Elect, 2014)

ADMISSION

Admitted to California Bar (December 2000)

PUBLICATIONS

Model Dress Code: Promoting Genderless Attire Rules to Foster an Inclusive Legal Profession, 33.3 J. C.R. & Econ. Dev. __ (with Malcolm MacWilliamson, forthcoming, 2020).

The Pocket Prof: A Composition Handbook for Legal Writing Students, a Creative Commons Open Educational Resource (derivative work prepared with 22 1L students, forthcoming, summer 2020).

Want to Be a Better Writer? Read, Oregon State Bar Bulletin 15 (forthcoming, May 2020).

The Joy of Legal Writing, <https://sites.suffolk.edu/legalwritingmatters/2016/08/25/the-joy-of-legal-writing/> (2016).

Ms. JD Writer in Residence blog entries, [http://ms-jd.org/profile/Rebekah Hanley](http://ms-jd.org/profile/Rebekah%20Hanley) (2015).

The Help: Lead by Serving the Next Generation, Oregon Lawyer Online (Winter 2012).

Cultivate Career Opportunities by Investing in Your Professional Network, Oregon Lawyer Online (Autumn 2011).

The Formula for Becoming – or Hiring – a Capable Legal Writer, Oregon State Bar Bulletin 11 (June 2011).

Notes on Quotes: When and How to Borrow Language, Oregon State Bar Bulletin 13 (Feb./Mar. 2011).

Principled Conjuring Tails: A Twenty-First Century Lawyer's View of the History of Animals in Magic, in *Law and Magic* 293 (Christine Corcos, ed., Carolina Academic Press 2010).

Constructive Criticism: A Generous Bonus in a Down Economy, Oregon State Bar Bulletin 13 (Dec. 2009).

A Legal Writer Reflects on Summer Vacation: Lessons from the Magic Kingdom, Oregon State Bar Bulletin 13 (Aug./Sept. 2009).

Resolutions: A New Writing Process for the New Year, Oregon State Bar Bulletin 11 (Jan. 2009).

Matters of Style, Matters of Opinion: The Voice and Legacy of Richard Chambers, 19 W. Leg. Hist. 91 (2006).

Beyond "Maybe" and Why: Identifying Arguments, Counter-Arguments, and a Sound Conclusion, 20 The Second Draft 14 (Dec. 2005).

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS & PANELS

Accepted proposals and invitations, cancelled due to COVID-19:

Student-Modified, Open-Access Texts: Enhancing Accessibility, Reinforcing Skills, and Boosting Confidence, LWI Biennial Conference (July 2020).

Collaborative Thank-You Letters, LWI Biennial Conference (July 2020).

Legal Writing, a CLE for Practitioners, LWI Biennial Conference (July 2020).

Next-Level Mentoring: Empowering our Student Partners, Legal Writing Institute One-Day Workshop: Courting Controversy (December 2019).

What Do Lawyers Do?, LSAC Law School Forum (workshop moderator, October 2019).

Empathy, Strategy, and Creativity in Gary B. v. Snyder, Applied Legal Storytelling Conference (July 2019).

Legal Ethics Workshop, a CLE for Practitioners, Public Interest Environmental Law Conference (solo presenter for two-hour session, March 2019).

The Amazing Past, Present, and Future of Legal Writing: Creativity and Empirical Scholarship, Legal Writing Institute One-Day Workshop: Teaching Scholars (November 2018).

The Unconventional Sabbatical: Finding Empathy and Inspiration Outside the Legal Academy, Western Regional Legal Writing Conference (September 2018).

Legal Writing, a CLE for Practitioners, LWI Biennial Conference (July 2018).

Using Legal Writing and Rhetorical Science to Advance Environmental Advocacy, Public Environmental Law Conference (March 2018).

Bridging the Perceived Gap between First-Year Doctrine and Skills Instruction, Western Regional Legal Writing Conference (August 2017).

Diversify the Law Review: Broader Perspectives, Better Articles, and Enhanced Experiences, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference (July 2017).

Joining the Administration: Law School and University Leadership for Law School Professors, Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting (January 2016).

Legal Writing for ALJs, National Association of Administrative Law Judiciary Annual Conference (October 2015).

Putting Legal Research and Writing in Context to Enhance Comprehension and Performance, Western Regional Legal Writing Conference (August 2015).

Leading in Student Services and Organizations, Northwest Regional Legal Writing Conference (April 2015).

Reflecting on Non-LRW Readings to Improve All Legal Writing, Empire State Legal Writing Conference (May 2011).

Writing to – and for – the Bench: How Legal Practitioners Can Help Judges Write Good Opinions, Biennial Conference of the Legal Writing Institute (June 2010).

Catch Phrases: Enhancing Classroom Dialogue through Association and Ownership, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference (July 2009).

Writing Workshop: Effective Special Education Decisions, Eighth Academy for IDEA Administrative Law Judges and Hearing Officers (July 2009).

Judicial Opinion Writing Workshop, Court of Appeals for the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon (Sept. 2008).

Judicial Opinions: Code or Art?, American Academy of Appellate Lawyers Spring Meeting (Apr. 2008).

You're Not Alone: Letting ESL and EFL Students Know that They Are Not the Only LRW Students Working with a Relatively Unfamiliar Language, Global Legal Skills Conference (Feb. 2008).