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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law	Phoenix, AZ
Clinical Professor of Law	2023-present
Associate Clinical Professor of Law	2019-2023

Courses:

- Legal Method and Writing
- Legal Advocacy
- Writing for Judicial Clerks
- Writing for Law Practice

University of Miami School of Law	Coral Gables, FL
Professor of Legal Writing and Lecturer in Law	2010-2019

Courses:

- Legal Communication and Research Skills I
- Legal Communication and Research Skills II
- Advanced Legal Writing: Non-Litigation Drafting
- Writing and Editing for Lawyers

PUBLICATIONS

A Blank Canvas: Leveraging Learning Management Systems for a Student-Centered Experience, 30 PERSP.: TEACHING LEGAL RES. & WRITING 102 (2023)

The Clear and Concise Content Act of 2023: Another Step Toward Plain Writing in the Federal Government, 102 MICH. B.J. 36 (December 2023)

All Rise: Pursuing Equity in Oral Argument Evaluation, 101 NEB. L. REV. 438 (2023).

Making the Most out of Court Observations in the 1L Year, 33 THE SECOND DRAFT 40 (Spring 2020)

Screen Time Limits: Reconsidering Presentation Software for the Law School Classroom, 23 J. LEGAL WRITING 173 (2019)

Taming the Citation Giant: Bluebook Drill, in *TEACHING LEGAL WRITING: OUT OF THE BOX IDEAS INSIDE* (Stetson University Institute for the Advancement of Legal Communication) (2017)

“What We’ve Got Here is Failure to Communicate”: *The Plain Writing Act of 2010*, 40 J. LEGIS. 280 (2014)

Using Sea Sponges, Boomerangs, and Sewing Kits to Teach Ethics and Professionalism in the Legal Writing Classroom, 26 THE SECOND DRAFT 20 (Fall 2012)

Note, Adding Insult to Injury: Opportunities for Fraud in the Katrina-Related Government Contracts Under the False Claims Act, 58 ALA. L. REV. 631 (2007)

PRESENTATIONS

Writing to and for a Federal Judge, Federal Judicial Center National Conference for Appellate Staff Attorneys, Phoenix, Arizona (June 2025)

Teaching in the Age of Generative AI: Beyond the Basics, AALS Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California (January 2025) (moderator)

Screen Time Limits, St. John’s University Faculty Teaching Workshop, New York, New York (October 2024) (invited talk)

Please Don't Hesitate to Contact Me: Writing Efficient and Effective Letters of Recommendation for Judicial Clerkship Applicants, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, Indianapolis, Indiana (July 2024) (with Amy Langenfeld)

The Pursuit of Plain Language, Empire State Legal Writing Conference, Fordham University School of Law, New York City, New York (May 2024)

Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research Section Works-in-Progress, American Association of Law Schools 2024 Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. (January 2024) (moderator)

Innovative LMS Design for a Student-Centered Experience, Central States Legal Writing Conference, Drake University Law School, Des Moines, Iowa (September 2023)

Course Website Design Basics for Legal Writing Professors, 21st Annual Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, University of Nevada Las Vegas, William S. Boyd School of Law (February 2023)

All Rise: Fairness in Oral Argument Evaluation, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C. (July 2022)

Teaching Law Students to Recognize Dicta, 20th Annual Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ (March 2022)

The ALWD Scholars Fora & Workshop Reunion Special and Casting Call, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, virtual conference hosted by the University of Michigan Law School (June 2021) (video presentation) (with Elizabeth Kukura, Karen Sneddon, and Irene Ten Cate)

Using Mandatory Court Observations to Teach Legal Analysis and Persuasion, Legal Writing Institute One-Day Workshop, virtual conference hosted by KIMEP University School of Law (December 2020)

J. Legal Writing: A Quick-Reference Guide to Publishing in the Journal of the Legal Writing Institute, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, virtual conference (digital poster) (August 2020)

Learning by Teaching Legal Writing in Correctional Facilities, Legal Writing Institute One-Day Workshop, Gonzaga University School of Law (December 2019)

Screen Time Limits: Towards a More Mindful Approach to Using Presentation Software in the Classroom, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, Suffolk University Law School (May 2019)

Beyond PowerPoint, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, University of Minnesota (Media Presentation) (July 2017)

Bluebook Drill: Taming the Citation Giant, Southeastern Legal Writing Conference, Stetson University (April 2017)

ALWD Scholar's Forum, Arizona State University (participant) (March 2017)

Walk the Line: Digital Technology and the Legal Writing Classroom, Capital Area Legal Writing Conference, University of Maryland (March 2016)

Millennial Myths, Southeastern Legal Writing Conference, University of Miami School of Law (January 2016)

Speaking of Experience: Newer LRW Teachers Share Their Best Classroom Tips, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Conference, Boca Raton, Florida (August 2015)

The Plain Writing Act of 2010: Is It Working?, 14th Annual Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, University of Nevada Las Vegas (March 2014)

Legal Writing Institute Writers Workshop, Delavan, Wisconsin (participant) (July 2013)

Lean on Me: Capitalizing on Your Colleagues' Strengths to Better Serve Your Students, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, Palm Desert, California (with Peter Nemerovski, Rachel H. Smith, and Annette Torres) (May 2012)

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law

- Honor Code Hearing Board (2025-2026)
- University Senate, Faculty Senator (2023-2025)
- Advisory Personnel Committee (2024-2025)
- Colloquium Committee (2021-2022)
- Assessments Committee (2020-2021)
- Faculty Advisor, Run Club at ASU Law (2025-present)
- Supervisor for law journal notes
- Informal committees, including faculty's diversity and inclusion working group and ad hoc committee on class participation and grading

University of Miami School of Law

- Committee service: Admissions Committee (2012-2015) and Academic Standards Committee (2015-2017)
- Supervised independent student writing (2015-2018)
- Developed curriculum for and implemented legal writing workshops at county correctional facility (with a colleague and the HOPE Public Interest Resource Center) (2018-2019)
- Developed and taught orientation sessions for incoming law students, addressing how to read and brief cases (2011-2018)
- Assisted in coordinating state appellate court's annual visit to hear oral arguments on campus (2013-2019)
- Lecturer for externship program (2015-2017)

American Association of Law Schools

- Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research
 - Chair (2025)
 - Chair-Elect (2024)
 - Secretary (2023)
 - Executive Committee Member (2021-2022)

Association of Legal Writing Directors

- Delegate (2016-2019, 2021)
- Scholars' Forum Committee Member (2019-2021)
- 2025 Biennial Conference at Arizona State University
 - Host School Liaison
 - Executive Committee Member
 - Site Committee Member

Legal Writing Institute

- Teaching Resources Committee
 - Co-Chair (2022-2024)
 - Member (2020-2024)
- New Member Outreach Committee, Member (2014-2018)

Legal Writing: The Journal of the Legal Writing Institute

- Editorial Board
 - Book Review Editor (2024-present)
 - Managing Editor (2020-2021)
 - Member (2018-present)
- Assistant Editor, Volume 21 (2016)

Regional Conferences

- Conference Co-Chair, 2022 Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference at Arizona State University; Program Committee Chair
- Program Committee member, 2020 Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference at the University of Arizona

University of Alabama School of Law

- Judicial Clerkship Program Mentor (2009–2010)

Phoenix Community

- Volunteer, For Goodness Cakes (2019-present)
- Volunteer, Lutheran Social Services (2025-present)

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP

United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
Law Clerk to the Honorable Joel F. Dubina

Montgomery, AL
2007–2008

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Burr & Forman, LLP

Associate

Birmingham, AL

2008–2010

- Practice areas included general commercial litigation (torts, insurance, and products liability) and labor and employment (employment discrimination and fair labor standards).
- Performed *pro bono* work on post-conviction relief for death-row inmate.

EDUCATION

University of Alabama School of Law

Tuscaloosa, AL

J.D., *summa cum laude*

2007

- Order of the Coif
- Dean's Community Service Award
- *Alabama Law Review*, Managing Board
- National Moot Court Team, Manager
- John A. Campbell Moot Court Board
- Summer Abroad Program, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia

Troy University

Troy, AL

B.A., English, *summa cum laude*

2004

- Phi Kappa Phi
- Omicron Delta Kappa
- Sigma Tau Delta

BAR ADMISSIONS

Alabama State Bar

- Member (2007-2010); Special Member (inactive) (2010-present)

United States Courts

- Northern, Middle, and Southern Districts of Alabama
- United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit