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## PROFILE

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Director of the AI & Legal Tech Studio at Arizona State University's Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law. JD, MS in Data Analytics, MLIS. Builds production legal AI systems (RAG pipelines, LLM evaluation frameworks, custom applications), teaches AI and the Practice of Law, and has delivered 50+ trainings and talks since 2023 for state attorneys general, bar associations, ILTACon, ABA TECHSHOW, and Legalweek. vLex Fastcase 50 honoree and NAAG Exemplary Service Award recipient (2025); OpenAI Education Forum member.

## EDUCATION

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<b>M.S., Data Analytics and Program Evaluation</b> , Arizona State University	2022
<b>M.L.I.S., Library and Information Science</b> , University of Arizona	2018
<b>J.D.</b> , Thomas Jefferson School of Law, San Diego, CA <i>Emphasis in Civil Litigation · ABA-accredited during attendance and graduation</i>	2012
<b>B.A., English Literature</b> , University of California, Los Angeles	2005

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Director, AI & Legal Tech Studio** 2025 – Present

*Arizona State University, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law · Phoenix, AZ*

- Direct the college's AI & Legal Tech Studio: set AI operations strategy across the college and build in-house legal technology for students, faculty, and staff.
- Teach AI and the Practice of Law and Practice-Ready AI: Legal Applications and Innovation; designed the ASU Law student AI workshop with assessment and certification (2026).
- Build production legal AI systems end to end: RAG pipelines, custom GPT systems, LLM evaluation and benchmarking frameworks, and AI web applications.
- Co-invented a patent-pending juror simulation platform (with Prof. Hayley Stillwell) that models jury decision-making with LLMs.
- Advise courts, attorney general offices, and bar associations on AI adoption, including the Supreme Court of Arizona, NAAG, and the State Bar of Arizona (2026 plenary speaker).

**Director of Technology Innovation** 2023 – 2025

*University of Oklahoma College of Law · Norman, OK*

- Led technology strategy for the College of Law; core member of the university's AI Training and Teaching Working Group and the AI Operations Working Group under the President's AI Task Force.
- Created and taught AI & the Practice of Law (Fall 2024), covering LLMs, prompting, professional responsibility, and deployment in practice.
- Designed and delivered the OU Law Digital Initiative AI Workshop (2025), a full-day training in practical AI use for practicing attorneys.
- Built QuizBot, an AI-assisted assessment system for legal education, and published the accompanying study (SSRN 2024).

**Law & Technology Librarian** 2019 – 2023

*Arizona State University, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law · Phoenix, AZ*

- Led legal technology instruction and research services for JD students and faculty.

- Published early empirical and doctrinal work on LLMs in legal research and education (SSRN 2023), including a custom chatbot study tool for law students.

2016 – 2019

### Earlier Experience

Chapman University, Fowler School of Law (Orange, CA): Circulation Assistant II, 2018 – 2019; MLIS Intern, 2017 – 2018.  
Ramey Litigation Group, APC (San Diego, CA): Law Clerk, 2016 – 2019.

### HONORS & AWARDS

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- **vLex Fastcase 50 (2025)** – national recognition of 50 innovators and leaders in law and legal technology.
- **Exemplary Service Award, National Association of Attorneys General (2025)**
- **Featured by OpenAI Global Affairs – Using ChatGPT in Law School (2025).**

### PUBLICATIONS

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- *The Arguments We Stop Making*, SSRN (forthcoming 2026)
- *The Structural Barriers to AI Lawyers*, Diffuse AI (2026)
- *The Wearable Revolution: How Glasses, Pendants, and Always-On AI Are Poised to Transform Legal Practice*, ABA (2026)
- *How to Crash the Legal Tech Market*, 3 Geeks and a Law Blog (2026)
- *Anatomy of a Prompt: Real Training for Using AI* (with Andy Kim), ALM (2025)
- *Michael Scott Is Not a Juror: The Limits of AI in Simulating Human Judgment* (with Hayley Stillwell), UNT Dallas Law Review: On the Cusp (2025)
- *Evaluating the Evaluators: The Role of Benchmarks in Legal AI* (with Jonathan Franklin & Christine Park), AALL Spectrum (2025)
- *Using ChatGPT in Law School*, OpenAI Global Affairs feature (2025)
- *Document Review*, in Elgar Concise Encyclopedia of Artificial Intelligence and the Law
- *Introducing QuizBot: An Innovative AI-Assisted Assessment in Legal Education*, SSRN (2024)
- *The Case for Large Language Model Optimism in Legal Research from a Law & Technology Librarian*, SSRN (2023)
- *The Ultimate Study Partner: Using a Custom Chatbot to Optimize Student Studying During Law School*, SSRN (2023)

### COURSES, WORKSHOPS & PROJECTS

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- Practice-Ready AI: Legal Applications and Innovation (2026)
- ASU Law Student AI Workshop, with assessment and certification (2026)
- AI & the Practice of Law (Fall 2024)
- OU Law Digital Initiative Artificial Intelligence Workshop (June 2025): full-day workshop teaching practicing attorneys how to use AI for the practice of law
- Juror Simulation, with Prof. Hayley Stillwell (patent pending)

### PATENTS

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Juror Simulation (with Prof. Hayley Stillwell) – LLM-based jury decision-making simulation for legal education and research. Patent pending.

### PRESENTATIONS

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#### 2026

- **National Association of Attorneys General** – AI Training for Summer Interns
- **State Bar of Arizona Annual Conference** – The State of AI (Plenary Session), Tucson, AZ
- **State Bar of Arizona Annual Conference** – Hands-On AI Training, Tucson, AZ
- **State Bar of Arizona Annual Conference** – How Big Law Uses AI (Panel Moderator), Tucson, AZ
- **State Bar of Arizona Annual Conference** – How Judges Use AI (Panel Moderator), Tucson, AZ

- **International Legal Technology Association (ILTA)** – Law School Virtual Roundtable (with Korin Munsterman, Kenton Brice, Michael Robak, and Katie Brown)
- **ASU Foundation Greater Phoenix Advisory Council (GPAC)** – Leveraging AI at ASU Law, Phoenix, AZ
- **Supreme Court of Arizona** – The Future of Justice, Phoenix, AZ
- **Governance of Emerging Technologies and Science Conference** – Predicting Supreme Court of the United States Outcomes with Frontier Models, Phoenix, AZ
- **Governance of Emerging Technologies and Science Conference** – Wearables and the Law, Phoenix, AZ
- **NAAG Chief Deputies and Chiefs of Staff Seminar** – AI and AG Offices, Savannah, GA
- **Arkansas Attorney General’s Office** – AI Training, Little Rock, AR
- **Colorado Attorney General’s Office** – AI Training, Colorado
- **Gruter Institute** – AI & Democracy, Olympic Valley, CA
- **National Association of Appellate Attorneys Annual Meeting** – Using AI as an Attorney General
- **State Bar of Texas** – Law in the Age of AI: What It Is and How It Works, Austin, TX
- **AI4U Podcast** – Brute Force Reps: Building AI Literacy and Vibe Coding Intuition (with Brian Piper)
- **Arkfeld eDiscovery Conference** – From Boolean to Bots: The Evolution of Legal Practice and the AI-Powered Future
- **ABA TECHSHOW** – Wired for Justice: Wearable and Augmented Tech for a Law Practice, Chicago, IL
- **ABA TECHSHOW** – Anatomy of a Prompt: Real Training for Using AI, Chicago, IL
- **Legalweek New York** – Prompting Workshop, New York, NY
- **Clio AI Spring Training Camp** – AI Foundations for Lawyers
- **ABA Communications Law Conference** – AI “How To” Lunch, Litchfield, AZ
- **National Association of Attorneys General** – Local AI Lunch Workshop
- **ABA Journal** – Law Librarians Are at the Forefront of Using and Educating on Artificial Intelligence

## 2025

- **National Association of Attorneys General** – Lunch Workshop
- **Northwestern University** – AI in Education Panel
- **State Bar of Texas** – Annual Technology Training Workshop
- **Oklahoma Access to Justice Summit** – AI + ATJ Summit Panel (online)
- **Delaware Department of Justice Retreat** – Practically Using AI for Government (2-hour workshop), Rehoboth Beach, DE
- **Texas Association of Appellate Court Attorneys (TAACA)** – Using AI for the Practice of Law
- **ILTACon 2025** – Prompting Workshop, Washington, DC
- **AALL Annual Conference** – Benchmarking Legal AI & Practical Uses of AI, Portland, OR
- **AALL Annual Conference (Pre-Conference Workshop)** – Teaching the Teachers AI (full-day workshop), Portland, OR
- **National Association of Attorneys General** – Agentic AI & Law: AI and State Legal Practice, Pittsburgh, PA
- **National Association of Appellate Attorneys Annual Meeting** – Using AI for the Practice of Law, Salt Lake City, UT
- **NAAG Tech Bootcamp** – Generative AI: Unleashing the Potential While Minimizing the Risks (online)
- **CALIcon 2025** – The Problems with Benchmarking Legal AI & Vibe Coding & Beyond
- **Governance of Emerging Technologies and Science Conference** – QuizBot and the Future of Legal Education & Fabricating the Reasonable Juror, Arizona State University College of Law
- **Southwest Association of Law Libraries Annual Conference** – What Does the Future of AI in Law Look Like?
- **ABA TECHSHOW 2025** – The Importance of Private Partnerships for Law Schools
- **ABA TECHSHOW 2025** – Evaluating AI for Law Practice: Benefits, Risks, and Practical Ethics
- **LawDroid Annual Conference** – AI & Education (Panel Moderator)
- **North Carolina Bar Association** – Beyond the Basics: AI in Law and Emerging Industry Trends

## 2024

- **Criminal Law Section Forensic Academy** – Artificial Intelligence in Legal Research and Writing
- **National Association of Attorneys General IT Summit** – AI and the Practice of Law, Oklahoma City, OK
- **Oklahoma Bar Association Luncheon** – AI and the Practice of Law, Norman, OK
- **Oklahoma Bar Association** – The Future of Law Practice, Norman, OK
- **LIT-SIS Coffee Chat** – AI Tools for Law School

## 2023

- **Oklahoma Bar Association Luncheon** – AI and the Practice of Law, Norman, OK
- **Arizona State University Webinar** – Practical Considerations for AI in the Legal Writing Classroom
- **Hawai'i Office of the Attorney General Speaker Series** – Practical Considerations for AI in Legal Research and Writing

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & MEMBERSHIPS

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- OpenAI Education Forum, Member
- AI Training and Teaching Working Group, Core Member, University of Oklahoma (2025)
- AI Operations Working Group, University of Oklahoma (2024): sub-group of the President's AI Task Force chaired by the Norman and HSC provosts

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**AI & Machine Learning:** large language models (LLMs), prompt engineering, retrieval-augmented generation (RAG), fine-tuning, LLM evaluation and benchmarking, agentic AI, AI governance and policy

**Programming & Data:** Python, R, SQL, API integration, AI web application development, data analytics, program evaluation

**Legal Technology:** Westlaw, Lexis, vLex, AI-assisted legal research, document review and automation, e-discovery, legal tech product development

**Teaching & Leadership:** curriculum design, CLE and professional training, government and executive AI training, academic program administration, public speaking