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EXPERIENCE

Teaching Experience

University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law **Tucson, AZ**
Associate Professor of Legal Writing & Assistant Clinical Professor of Law (Summer 2017-Present)
Teach Legal Process, Analysis, and Writing course to first-year and LL.M. students. Develop curriculum and teach Introduction to U.S. Law. Mentor students and assist in development of legal writing program.

Assistant Professor of Practice

Legal Process, Analysis and Writing (Fall 2005-Spring 2017)

Legal Process, Analysis and Writing (Law 603H) (Fall 2009-Spring 2017)

Persuasive Communication/Advanced Appellate Advocacy (Fall 2005-Fall 2008)

Award: Student Bar Association's 2013-2014 "Adjunct/Visiting Faculty Member of the Year"

Law Practice Experience

Office of the Federal Public Defender, District of Arizona **Tucson, AZ**
Capital Habeas Unit
Assistant Federal Public Defender (Spring 2000-Spring 2012)
Drafted federal habeas petitions and appeals for capital clients.
Argued appeals before state and federal courts, including the Arizona Supreme Court, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and United States Supreme Court (second-chair).

Mariscal, Weeks, McIntyre & Friedlander, P.A. **Phoenix, AZ**
Associate (Fall 1997-Spring 1998; Fall 1999-Spring 2000)
Drafted multiple motions and briefs. Researched legal issues and conducted discovery for civil litigation.

United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit **Phoenix, AZ**
Judicial Clerk to Hon. Barry G. Silverman (Spring 1998-Summer 1999)

Arizona State Court of Appeals **Phoenix, AZ**
Judicial Clerk to Hon. Susan A. Ehrlich (Spring 1996-Summer 1997)

Anderson, Kill, Olick & Oshinsky, P.C. **New York, NY**
Associate (Fall 1994-Spring 1996); Law Clerk (1993-1994); Summer Associate (1993)
Participated in all phases of complex environmental insurance coverage litigation.
Represented Liberian national in pro bono political asylum case.

Bar Admissions: New York (1994), Arizona (1996), Ninth Circuit (1998), District of Arizona (2000);
United States Supreme Court (2001).

EDUCATION

New York University School of Law, New York, NY
Juris Doctor, May 1994

New York University Law Review, Note and Comment Editor (1993-94)

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Bachelor of Arts (Social Anthropology), June 1990

Harvard/Radcliffe Achievement Scholar; Dean's List

PRESENTATIONS

Speaker, *Teaching International Students Who Are Pursuing a J.D. or an LL.M.*, (Legal Writing Institute One-Day Workshop, California Western School of Law, San Diego, CA, Dec. 2016).

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Arizona Court Appointed Special Advocate (2001-present)

Provide advocacy for abused and neglected children in dependency proceedings. Awarded "2002 Rookie of the Year."

American Civil Liberties Union of Arizona, Board Member (2015-present);

Diversity and Inclusion Officer (2016-present)

Arizona Capital Representation Project, Board Member (2014-17)

University of Arizona Poetry Center, Board Member (2013-15)

Imago Dei Middle School, Foundational Board Member (2005-10)