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## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

### **UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO SCHOOL OF LAW, Buffalo, NY**

August 2002 – Present

#### Legal Skills Faculty Member

- Develop, prepare, and teach a two-semester sequenced Legal Analysis, Writing, and Research class to approximately 30 first-year law students.
- Prepare class assignments, including client letters, office memoranda, bench briefs, trial briefs, appellate briefs, and in-depth research projects.
- Guide students in their development and writing of publishable articles.
- Prepare students to participate in oral argument competitions.
- Train and supervise writing fellows, who provide academic support to my students.
- Developed and taught an intensive, three-credit summer course, “Beyond the Basics: Advanced Legal Analysis and Writing” (2010, 2011, 2013).
- Chair, 3+3 Program Development and Recruitment Committee (2015-present)
- Member, Academic Standards and Standing Committee (2011-2014), Law Library Committee (2012-2018), Technology and Communication Committee (2014-2015), Pedagogy and Curricular Planning Committee (2017-2018).
- Member, Law Library Faculty Reference Librarian Search Committee (Spring 2012, Spring 2017).
- Coordinator, Baldy Discussion Circles (matching a faculty member with twelve 1L’s for an informal, roundtable discussion about a topic of the faculty member’s choice) (2010, 2016-present).

### **WATSON, BENNETT, COLLIGAN, JOHNSON, SCHECHTER, LLP, Buffalo, NY**

April 2002 – October 2002

#### Associate Attorney

- Practice emphasis in the area of litigation.
- Drafted pleadings, motions, and briefs for trial and appellate courts.

**MOSS & O'DELL, P.C., Denver, CO**

December 1997 – August 2001

Associate Attorney

- Practice emphasis in the areas of business and employment litigation, corporate and personnel matters, and landlord-tenant issues.
- Drafted pleadings, motions, and briefs for county, district, and appellate courts.
- Argued motions and participated in trials and hearings in county and district courts.
- Extensive interaction with state and federal agencies, including HUD, EPA, OSHA, EEOC, and Colorado Division of Civil Rights.

**HONORABLE PAUL A. MARKSON, JR.**

**Denver District Court, Denver, CO**

August 1995 – December 1997

Law Clerk

- Reviewed and researched all motions and pleadings before the Court.
- Drafted Orders of the Court, including the resolution of motions for summary judgment, motions to dismiss, county court appeals, post-trial motions, and discovery motions.
- Supervised and trained law school students interning with the Court.

**LAW OFFICES OF RICHARD C. LaFOND, Denver, CO**

**LAW OFFICES OF CARMEN S. DANIELSON, Boulder, CO**

October 1994 – August 1995

Associate Attorney

- Practice emphasis in the areas of employment and civil rights litigation.
- Co-counseled an employment discrimination trial in federal district court.

**MINNESOTA SENATE, St. Paul, MN**

**Office of Counsel and Research**

September 1993 – May 1994

Law Clerk

- Conducted legal research for Senators, Senate committees, and legislative commissions in anticipation of, or in response to, legislative needs.
- Prepared legal opinions on queries relating to current law, proposed legislation, and other legislative matters.
- Provided legal services in the Senate Chamber during floor sessions.

**HONORABLE CHRISTOPHER J. ARMSTRONG**  
**Associate Justice, Massachusetts Appeals Court, Boston, MA**  
June 1993 – August 1993  
Intern

**SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER, AND FLOM LLP, Boston, MA**  
September 1990 – July 1991  
Legal Research Assistant

## **EDUCATION**

**WILLIAM MITCHELL COLLEGE OF LAW, St. Paul, MN**  
J.D. 1994. Graduated *Cum Laude*.

Law Review                      Editor, William Mitchell Law Review, 1993 – 1994.  
Staff Member, William Mitchell Law Review, 1992 – 1993.

Extracurricular Training      Participated in the Dispute Resolution Institute at  
Hamline University School of Law, St. Paul, MN.  
Completed courses in Mediation and Dispute  
Resolution Practices. Summer, 1992.

**WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY, St. Louis, MO**  
B.S. 1988. Major: Psychology. Minor: Business.

## **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Colorado, 1994; United States District Court for the District of Colorado, 1995;  
District of Columbia, 2002; New York, 2002.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Ideas in Brief, Incorporating Twitter into the Classroom, AALS Teaching Method  
Section Newsletter (2015).

Going to the Experts to Move Students from Skeptics to Believers,  
19 The Law Teacher 10 (2012).

The Disabled Employee and Reasonable Accommodation Under the Minnesota  
Human Rights Act: Where Does Absenteeism Attributable to the Disability Fit into  
the Law?, 19 Wm. Mitchell L. Rev. 905 (1993).

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

New England Consortium of Legal Writing Teachers Conference (Portland, ME, April 2019)

Topic: Introducing Students to the Realities, Challenges, and Opportunities of Client Intake Interviews and Partner Status Meetings

Southeast Regional Legal Writing Conference (Atlanta, GA, April 2018)

Topic: Tweeting, Blogging, and Facebook Posts to Strengthen Case Analysis

Empire State Legal Writing Conference (New York City, NY, June 2017)

Topic: Innovatively Encouraging Student Engagement

Legal Writing Institute Workshop (Detroit, MI, December 2014)

Topic: Interactive Techniques for Teaching Critical LAWR Skills to Today's Law Students

New England Consortium of Legal Writing Teachers Conference (Boston, MA, December 2013)

Topic: Helping Students Teach Themselves LAWR Skills

Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference (Boulder, CO, March 2013)

Topic: Flipped Class Ideas to Encourage Critical Thinking

Empire State Legal Writing Conference (Buffalo, NY, June 2012)

Topic: Turning Skeptical Students into Believers: Fun and Engaging Ideas for the Classroom

## **SERVICE AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

- Peer Mentor, Compeer of Greater Buffalo, Inc. (2017-present)
- Delegate, Association of Legal Writing Directors (2015-present)
- Member, Bar Outreach Committee, Legal Writing Institute (identify and implement ways that legal writing professors and the practicing bar can actively work together to improve the quality of legal writing) (2014-2016)
- Member, Professional Development Committee, Legal Writing Institute (provided resources and mentoring activities to foster and support professional development and leadership growth by legal writing professors) (2012-2014)
- Board Member and Co-Chair of Bylaws Committee, Niagara Falls Education Foundation, Inc. (October 2007 – November 2009)
- Reader Advisory Board Member, Niagara Gazette (June 2005 – December 2006)
- Board Member and Co-Chair of Legal Services Committee, Colorado Women's Bar Association (1997 – 1999)