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Education

University of Chicago Law School, Chicago, Illinois

J.D. 1998

The University of Chicago Roundtable
Senior Interdisciplinary Programs and Topic Access Editor
Student Government, Third Year Class Representative

University of Washington, Seattle, Washington

B.A. 1994

Major: English Literature Academic honors, three years

Legal Experience

University of Illinois College of Law

August 2017 – Present

Teaching Assistant Professor of Law

• Teach Advanced Legal Writing: Appellate Advocacy and Legal Writing & Analysis

George Mason University School of Law

August 2008 – June 2017

Director, Second Year Legal Research, Writing, and Analysis Program (12/2013-present) Associate Director, Legal Research, Writing and Analysis Program (8/2012-12/2013) Assistant Director, Legal Research, Writing and Analysis (8/2008-8/2012)

- Responsibility for required 2L writing program.
- Created curriculum, problems, project series, syllabi, grading tools, and additional materials used in all appellate writing and legal drafting sections.
- Taught sections of appellate writing and legal drafting.
- Managed corps of 20-40 adjunct instructors.
- Restructured legal drafting course from a course surveying disparate drafting tasks to an integrated course providing an introduction to transactional work and drafting.
- Oversaw creation of pilot program for elective upper-level, practice-specific, drafting course.
- Taught 1L introduction to legal research, writing, and analysis course and managed team of 17 third- and fourth-year teaching assistants.

Jenner & Block LLP

August 2003 - August 2008

Paralegal: Family Law Practice Group.

- Drafted court pleadings, motions, orders, settlement agreements; frequent client contact.
- Performed financial analysis, due diligence, and legal research; drafted legal memoranda and CLE course materials.
- Managed, trained and instructed project assistants.

Sachnoff & Weaver, Ltd.

February 2000 - January 2002

Associate: Corporate, Securities and Intellectual Property Law Group.

- Drafted documents for leveraged acquisitions, stock and securities offerings, and corporate governance.
- Negotiated service contracts and leasing arrangements.
- Coordinated closings for multiple mergers and acquisitions.

Wildman, Harrold, Allen & Dixon

June 1997 - January 2000

Summer Associate, Law Clerk and Associate: Practiced in the areas of insurance defense and product liability litigation, family law and general corporate and securities.

- Primary attorney on multiple divorce cases.
- Co-author, "Original Proceedings for Temporary and Permanent Custody" IICLE Practice Handbook: Child Custody Litigation, H. Joseph Gitlin, General Editor.