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Education

- M.A. DePaul University School of Education (pending candidate)
- J.D. Rutgers-Newark University School of Law, 1985
 - Articles Editor, Women's Rights Law Reporter
 - Staff Member, Civil Rights Developments
 - co-recipient, Carol Russ Memorial Prize
- B.A. University of Michigan (Ann Arbor) in Public Administration, 1982

Legal Education Experience

Associate Dean, Dean of Students, May 2004 - present
Clinical Associate Professor of Law, August 2000 – present
Director of Academic Counseling, October 2002 – August 2004
Northwestern University School of Law

Subjects Taught

- Communication and Legal Reasoning
- International Team Project

Other Responsibilities

- Management Committee, 2004 - present
- University Committee on North Central Accreditation, 2002 - 2004
- Faculty Development Committee, 2002 - 2004
- Faculty Resource on Cooperative and Collaborative Learning, 2000 - present
- Student Scholarly Writing workshops, 2000 - 2003

Senior Legal Writing Instructor, 1997 – 2000
Legal Writing Instructor, 1990–1997
DePaul University College of Law

Subjects Taught

- Legal Writing (I & II)
- Current Issues in §1983 Litigation

➤ Evidence

Other Responsibilities

- Coached Spong Moot Court team 1992
- Faculty Advisor to Business Law Journal (editing and citation seminars)
- Faculty Committee on the Business Law Journal, 1992 - 2000
- University Committee on the Library, 1997 - 2000
- University Committee on Long Term Contracts, 1999 - 2000
- Honor Code Board member, 1998 - 2000
- DePaul Law Review, Student Scholarly Writing workshops, 1998 – 2000

Grants Awarded

Quality of Instruction Council 1992, 1995, 1998

Law Firm Consultations

Chapman & Cutler, Chicago, IL

The Essence of Legal Communication, June 2003, May 2004

Legal Writing for Business Lawyers: Client Communication, July 2004

Litigation Consultations

Ayres v. City of Chicago, 125 F.3d 1010 (7th Cir. 1997) (preliminary injunction allowing sale of political T-shirts in public park during city sponsored festivals)

Doe v. Calumet City, 161 Ill.2d 374, 641 N.E.2d 498 (1994) (federal sex discrimination and state tort claims for the failure of police to provide protection).

Hiser v. City of Bowling Green, 42 F.3d 382 (6th Cir. 1994) (federal civil rights and state tort claims for injuries caused by a police informant placed in citizen's apartment).

International Union v. Johnson Controls, 886 F.2d 871 (1989) (challenge to discriminatory nature of fetal protection policies).

Thornburgh v. American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, 476 U.S. 747 (1986) (amicus brief for National Abortion Rights Action League).

Editorships

Police Misconduct and Civil Rights Law Report (West Group)
1990 - present (Editorial Board member since 1987)

Assistant Editor, Proceedings Issue of Legal Writing: The Journal of the Legal Writing Institute, 1998.

Bar Memberships

- Illinois (5/86)
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (10/86); Trial Bar (2/88)
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit (12/87)
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit (1/94)

Professional Organizations

Chair, Conference Committee, Legal Writing Institute Conference, Atlanta, GA, June, 2006.

Member, Legal Writing Institute, 1990 – present

Prior Legal Work

Associate, Singer & Stein, Chicago, Illinois. 1986 - 1990

Civil rights litigation, both trial and appellate, with an emphasis on police misconduct litigation and Constitutional litigation.

Legal Researcher, Professor Wendy Williams, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C. 1986

Project involved investigating impact of Pregnancy Discrimination Act upon union collective bargaining agreements.

Law Clerk, Dolkart Langer & Zavos, Washington, D.C. 1985 - 1986 (part-time)

Staff Member, Migrant Legal Action Program, Washington, D.C. 1985 - 1986 (part-time)

Research Assistant to Professors Nadine Taub, Wendy Williams, Eric Neisser and Paul Tractenberg 1982 - 1985 (during law school)

Community Service

- North Suburban Colt Baseball, Coach, 2005, 2006 (15 – 17 year olds)
- Northbrook Softball, Coach, 2004 (Fifth & Sixth grade girls), Assistant Coach, 2000, 2003, 2005 (Second, Fifth - Eighth grade girls)
- Northbrook Baseball, Coach, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003 (Third, Fifth - Ninth grade boys), Assistant Coach, 2004 (Eighth – Ninth grade boys)
- Meadowbrook Elementary School Parent Volunteer, 1995 – 2002

- taught cultural enrichment (visual and aural art)
- taught and coordinated mock criminal trial for students in Fifth Grade

- District 28 (Northbrook) Advisory Committee on Education, 1998-1999
 - examined, evaluated and considered reform of communication and reporting methods (i.e. parent-teacher conferences and student progress reports)

- Meadowbrook Elementary School PTA Parent Education Committee, 1998-1999
 - created and served on committee dedicated to establishing mechanism to support and broaden channels of communication between parents, the school and the district
- Meadowbrook Elementary School PTA Computer Software Lending Library, 1996-2000
 - revived program, reviewed and purchased educational programs on CD-ROM, and established a catalog and borrowing system within the school.

- Northbrook Action Baseball, Assistant Coach, 1998 (third grade boys)

- Northbrook Park District, Soccer Coach, 1994-1997 (boys and girls, kindergarten through second grade)

Current Research, Publications, and Presentations

Current Research Areas

Teaching Law Students Scholarly Writing

Paper addresses the skills, content, and process involved in teaching law students to write a paper of publishable quality during their legal education.

The Structure and Style of Legal Persuasion: Exploring and Incorporating Racial, Cultural, and Gender Differences

Project explores the racial, cultural, and gender differences in the structure of arguments and addresses the impact upon our pedagogy, including instruction and evaluation.

Collaboration Revisited: Why and How We Should Have Our Students Work Together.

Paper will examine the 2002-2003 data collected and compare these findings with the 2001-2002 data.

The Ultimate Cooperative Experience: Co-Teaching Legal Writing and Working With The Clinic

Paper will review the Spring 2003 experience of using a Center on Wrongful Convictions case as moot court problem and team teaching CLR.

Visiting Perspectives in Legal Writing

Co-authored paper will explore the nature of visiting positions in legal writing from both the visitor's and the visatee's perspectives.

Law Review Publications

With Elizabeth L. Inglehart and Kathleen Dillon Narko, *From Cooperative Learning to Collaborative Writing in the Legal Writing Classroom*, 9 *Legal Writing* 185 (2003).

A (Microsoft) Word to the Wise – Beware of Footnotes and Gray Areas: The Seventh Circuit Continues to Count Words, 2 *J. Appellate Practice & Procedure* 205 (2000).

“Thinking Beyond My Own Interpretation:” Reflections on Collaborative and Cooperative Theory in the Law School Curriculum, 31 *Arizona St. L.J.* 397 (1999).

The Scholar Warrior: Visualizing the Kaleidoscope that is Entity Liability, Negotiating the Terrain and Finding a New Paradigm, 48 *DePaul L. Rev.* 773 (1999).

Toward A New Vision of Informants: A History Of Abuses And Suggestions For Reform, 22 *Hastings Const. L.Q.* 81 (1994).

Book Chapters

From the Jailhouse to the Courthouse: The Role of Informants in Wrongful Convictions, in *Wrongly Convicted: Perspectives on Failed Justice* (Saundra D. Westervelt & John A. Humphrey, eds., Rutgers University Press, 2001).

Back from the Courthouse: Corrective Measures to Address The Role of Informants in Wrongful Convictions, in *Wrongly Convicted: Perspectives on Failed Justice* (Saundra D. Westervelt & John A. Humphrey, eds., Rutgers University Press, 2001).

Teaching Publications

Another View of the AALS Conference, AALS Section on Legal Writing Reasoning, and Research, 3-4 (Spring 2003).

With Judy Rosenbaum. *Fostering Teamwork Through Cooperative and Collaborative Assignments*, 15 *The Second Draft* 7 (June 2001).

Creative Ideas and Techniques for Teaching Rule Synthesis, 8 *Perspectives* (2000).

Teaching Tip, AALS Section on Teaching Methods Newsletter, 8 (December 1999).

Keyed Comment Sheets, 13 *The Second Draft* 19 (Nov. 1999).

In-class Editing Sessions, 13 *The Second Draft* 7 (May 1999).

Lectures and Legal Programs

Panel Presentation, *New Leadership Opportunities for Legal Writing Faculty*, Legal Writing Institute Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, June, 2006.

With David Thomson and Tracy L. McGaugh, *Preparing for the New Students: New Technologies in the Service of Teaching LRW*, Legal Writing Institute Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, June, 2006.

Panel Presentation, *Encouraging and Defending Activist Movements During 'The Chill'*, National Lawyers Guild Annual Midwest Regional Conference, Chicago, Illinois, March, 2006.

Panel Presentation, *LRW Visits*, Legal Writing Institute Conference, Seattle, Washington, July, 2004.

With Jonathan Gordon, Coordinating a LRW Problem With a Clinic, Southeastern Regional Research and Writing Conference, St. Petersburg, Florida, September, 2003.

With Jonathan Gordon, The Benefits and Challenges of Co-Teaching LRW, Central Regional LRW Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, September, 2003.

With Judith Rosenbaum, A Lively Discussion About How to Teach LRW in the Fall, Central Regional LRW Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, September, 2003.

With Elizabeth Inglehart & Kathleen Dillon Narko. Cooperative and Collaborative Learning Made Simple, Legal Writing Institute Conference, Knoxville, Tennessee, May, 2002.

With Judith Rosenbaum. Building a Community in the LRW Classroom, Central Regional LRW Conference. DePaul University College of Law, Chicago, Illinois, December, 2001.

Teaching Social Justice Through Legal Writing, Central Regional LRW Conference. DePaul University College of Law, Chicago, Illinois, December, 2001.

With Judith Rosenbaum. Grading with Power and Meaning, Southeastern Regional LRW Conference. Stetson University College of Law, St. Petersburg, Florida, September, 2001.

Cooperative and Collaborative Methods in the Legal Writing, Research, and Analysis Classroom, Rock Mountain Regional Conference. University of Arizona College of Law, Tucson, Arizona, March, 2001.

Creative Ideas and Techniques for Teaching Rule Synthesis, First Biennial Central States Regional LRW/Lawyering Skills Conference. University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law, Kansas City, Missouri, September, 1999

Jailhouse Snitches, National Conference on Wrongful Convictions and the Death Penalty, Northwestern University School of Law, November, 1998.

Judicial and Scholarly Writing, Legal Writing Institute Conference, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, June, 1998.

Moderator, DePaul Law Review Symposium on Municipal Liability Under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, March, 1998.

ABC World News Tonight with Peter Jennings, Interview on Jailhouse Informants, October 18, 1995.

National Immigration Project of the National Lawyers Guild, Paralegal training in legal

writing and research techniques.

Violence Against Women and The Police Failure to Protect, Women's Rights Litigation Clinic Fifteenth Anniversary Celebration, Rutgers Law School, Newark, New Jersey, March, 1989.

Vietnamese Death Squad Activity in the United States, City of Chicago Committee on Human Relations and Consumer Protection, September, 1989.

Book Reviews:

The Importance of Culture and Cognition, 14 Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research and Writing 142-44 (2006) (reviewing Richard Nisbett, *The Geography of Thought*).

AALS Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning and Research Newsletter (April 1993). (reviewing Josephine R. Potuto, *Winning Appeals: Persuasive Argument and The Appellate Process*)

Publications Directed Toward Practitioners

With G. Flint Taylor, *Supreme Court Review: 1997-1998 Term*, 5 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 193 (1998).

The Supreme Court Puts the Crunch on Monell Policymaker Liability Claims, 5 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 102 (1997).

The Interplay Between 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and 18 U.S.C. § 242, Recent Developments in § 242 and the Impact on § 1983, 5 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 97 (1997).

Supreme Court Docket is Chock Full of Cases Impacting Upon Section 1983 Litigation, 5 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 73 (1997).

Of Hopwood, Habeas, Haywood and Humanity: How Recent Events Reflect On Where We Are Now and Where We Are Going, 5 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 26 (1996).

Handling Informants, 3 CRIMINAL PRAC. L. REP. 49 (1995).

With John Stainthorp, *Newtlan "Tort Reform" - A Contract on Plaintiffs?*, 4 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 169 (1995).

Utilization of State Court Remedies in Failure to Act Cases, 4 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 133 (1994).

With G. Flint Taylor, *Judge Stephen Breyer on Civil Rights*, 4 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 110 (1994).

With G. Flint Taylor, *The Interrelationship of Police Disciplinary Decisions and Police Misconduct Litigation*, 4 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 97 (1994).

The Availability and Utility of Interim Fee Awards Under 42 U.S.C. §1983, 4 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 64 (1993).

With Peter Schmiedel, G. Flint Taylor & John Wylie, *Judge Ginsburg's Record: As A Lawyer and A Judge*, 4 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 37 (1993).

With G. Flint Taylor, *Supreme Court Review: Cases Granted Review for the October 1991 Term*, 3 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 134 (1991).

Beyond Batson: The Supreme Court and Peremptory Challenges in the 1990-91 Term, 3 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 127 (1991).

Court Comparisons of Compensatory Damage Awards: A Critique and a Re-Compilation of Damage Awards in the Federal Courts, 3 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 54 & 67 (1990).

Souted or Not for the Supreme Court? Judge Souter and Civil Rights, 3 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 49 (1990).

With Peter Schmiedel, Webster, *The 1988-89 Supreme Court Term and Beyond*, 2 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 205 (1989).

Recent Developments in Attorney Fees Under 42 U.S.C. §1988: The Supreme Court's 1989 Term and Recent Cases on Multipliers, 2 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 193 (1989).

The Path to Duty is Paved with Custody and Causation: The Supreme Court Frees Government Officials of Responsibility to Persons Known to be in Danger, 2 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 157 & 169 (1989).

With Marena McPherson, Peter Schmiedel & G. Flint Taylor, *Justice Anthony Kennedy: Where He Stands on Civil Rights Issues*, 2 POLICE MISCONDUCT & CIV. RTS. L. REP. 73 (1988).