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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, *Clinical Assistant Professor of Law*, Chicago, IL, July 2019 – Present

- Teach Communication and Legal Reasoning I & II to first-year law students.
- Serve by Dean's appointment on the Clerkship Committee.
- Research activity includes legal writing, civil procedure, legal education, and ethics.
- Mentor students and participate in law school and student events, including as a panelist for career opportunities and LGBTQ-focused issues.

Hon. Amy J. St. Eve, U.S. Circuit Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

- *Judicial Law Clerk*, Chicago, IL, Aug. 2018 – June 2019

Discovery Docket, LLC, *Founder & CEO*, Chicago, IL, Oct. 2017 – Aug. 2018

- Created innovative cloud-based platform to solve practical problems in discovery.

Jones Day, Issues & Appeals Practice, *Associate*, Chicago, IL, Nov. 2012 – Oct. 2017

- Practice focused on complex litigation and internal investigations; drafted motions and memoranda; coordinated discovery and took depositions; argued motions and appeals in federal court; defended class actions; counseled clients on litigation strategy; and negotiated settlements.
- Supervised nationwide team for client facing uptick in consumer litigation relating to particular credit reporting practices involving debts discharged in bankruptcy.
- Coordinated internal investigation into third-party fraud resulting in a criminal prosecution; activities included presenting case to federal prosecutors and supporting FBI investigation.
- Assisted *pro se* litigants with settlement as appointed *pro bono* counsel with the Northern District of Illinois Settlement Assistance Program; recognized by magistrate judge for "outstanding and selfless efforts on behalf of the plaintiff" that "make one proud to be a lawyer."

Hon. Amy J. St. Eve, U.S. District Judge, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

- *Judicial Law Clerk*, Chicago, IL, Oct. 2011 – Oct. 2012

Hon. Eric L. Clay, U.S. Circuit Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

- *Judicial Law Clerk*, Detroit, MI, Sept. 2010 – Sept. 2011

Hon. Cheryl L. Pollak, U.S. Magistrate Judge, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York

- *Judicial Law Clerk*, Brooklyn, NY, Sept. 2009 – Sept. 2010

Kirkland & Ellis, LLP, *Summer Associate*, Chicago, IL, Summer 2008 (offer extended)

EDUCATION

Cornell Law School, Ithaca, NY

J.D., *cum laude*, 2009; GPA 3.64; Public Law Concentration

- *Cornell Law Review* (note editor); *Supreme Court Bulletin* (editor)

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

B.S., Industrial and Labor Relations, 2006; GPA 3.96

- Senior Class President; delivered graduation speech

PUBLICATIONS (Selected)

- *Thanks for Nothing: When Should Lawyers End an Email with 'Thank You'?*, ABA Journal Online (2020)
- *Legal Ethics Apply on LinkedIn, Too*, Silicon Valley Business Journal (2020)
- *The Ethics of a Gig*, Lawyer's Forum, Chicago Daily Law Bulletin (2020)
- *One Gig Too Many*, Guest Post, Legal Profession Blog (2020)

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- *More from the #Jury Box: The Latest on Juries and Social Media*, 12 Duke L. & Tech. Rev. 64 (2014) (co-authored with Hon. Amy J. St. Eve and Hon. Charles P. Burns)
- *Ferrets and Truffles and Hounds, Oh My: Getting Beyond Waiver*, 18 Green Bag 2d 77 (2014) (co-authored with Andrey Spektor)
- *The Forgotten Pleading*, 7 Fed. Cts. L. Rev. 152 (2013) (co-authored with Hon. Amy J. St. Eve)
- *Legal Writing as Good Writing: Tips from the Trenches*, 14 J. App. Prac. & Proc. 303 (2013) (co-authored with Andrey Spektor)
- *Expert Case Management*, At Sidebar, 60 Fed. Lawyer 4 (2013)
- *Ensuring an Impartial Jury in the Age of Social Media*, 11 Duke L. & Tech. Rev. 1 (2012) (co-authored with Hon. Amy J. St. Eve)
- *Judicial Recusal and Expanding Notions of Due Process*, 13 U. Pa. J. Const. L. 977 (2011) (co-authored with Andrey Spektor)
- *Constitutional Clash: When English-Only Meets Voting Rights*, Essay, 28 Yale L. & Pol’y Rev. 353 (2010)
- *Yes, I Destroyed the Evidence – Sue Me? Intentional Spoliation of Evidence in Illinois*, 27 J. Marshall J. Comput. & Info. L. 235 (2009)
- *The Offshoring of American Government*, Note, 94 Cornell L. Rev. 165 (2009)
- *The Court of Congressional Contempt*, Note, 25 J. L. & Pol. 41 (2009)
- *One Student, One Vote? Equal Protection & Campus Elections*, Note, 35 J. Coll. & Univ. L. 217 (2008)

LEADERSHIP, AWARDS & PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Professional Appointments (selected)

- Publications Board, ABA Center for Professional Responsibility (appointed) (2020 – Present)
- Board Member, National Student/Parent Mock Election (2015 – Present)
- Member, National Young Leadership Cabinet, Jewish Federations of North America (2017 – Present)
- Contributing Editor, *Federal Employment Litigation*, The Rutter Group Practice Guide (2017 – Present)
- Vice Chair, FBA Federal Rules of Procedure & Trial Practice Committee, Fed. Lit. Sec. (2013 – 2018)
- Editorial Board Member, *The Federal Lawyer* (2012 – 2017)

Awards (selected)

- *Excellence in Pro Bono Service*, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (2016)
- *Outstanding Young Lawyer*, Chicago Lawyers’ Community for Civil Rights Under Law, Inc. (2014)
- *Burton Award for Distinguished Legal Writing*, Library of Congress & Burton Foundation (2009)
- *First Place, Vance Memorial Writing Competition*, Customs & Int’l Trade Bar Association (2009)
- *First Place, Public Contract Law Writing Competition*, American Bar Association (2009)
- *Second Place, Best Student Paper*, Inter-American Bar Association (2009)

Bar Association Affiliations (selected)

- American Bar Association
- Federal Bar Association
- Illinois State Bar Association
- Lesbian and Gay Bar Association of Chicago

Cornell University (selected volunteer roles)

- Member, Law School Dean’s Advisory Council (2015 – 2019)
- President (2006 – 2011) & Board Member (2011 – Present), Cornell Class Council
- National Campaign Chair, Cornell Young Alumni Annual Fund (2009 – 2013)

SELECTED BAR ADMISSIONS

- State of Illinois
- Supreme Court of the United States
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois