

curriculum vitae

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ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

University of Washington School of Law, Seattle, WA 2016-Present

Professor of Law (2016-Present)

Associate Dean for Experiential Education (2016-2023)

Director of Clinical Programs (2016-2023)

Direct and administer the clinical programs and oversee development and implementation of externship program, legal analysis, research and writing program, and trial advocacy program.

- Oversee and supervise tenure, tenure-track and contract clinical faculty and staff
- Collaborate with doctrinal faculty to implement experiential course offerings throughout the curriculum
- Develop strategic vision for broad based experiential learning at UW Law
- Supervise externship director, legal analysis, research and writing program director, and trial advocacy director
- Develop and manage budget for clinical, externship, and trial advocacy programs
- Support and encourage the scholarly and teaching development of experiential faculty

Teach and supervise law students in mediation clinic.

- Develop and implement pedagogically innovative curriculum
- Teach classes on substantive and skill-based topics related to mediation practice

Service on faculty committees including: Promotion and Tenure Committee, Appointments Committee, Curriculum Committee, Clinical Status Committee.

Vermont Law School, South Royalton, VT 2011-2016

Associate Dean for Research and Faculty Development (2013-2016)

Professor of Law (2011-2016)

Director of Externships (2011-2016)

Direct and administer the full- and part-time externship programs

- Oversee and supervise externship faculty and staff
- Develop and manage budget for externship program
- Develop manuals for mentors and students

Teach externship students

- Develop and teach externship curriculum

Service on faculty committees including: Faculty Governance Committee, Curriculum Mapping Committee, Faculty Development Committee (chair), Experiential and Clinical Committee, Tenure and Retention Committee, Ad Hoc Faculty Committee (elected), and Joint Faculty/Board of Trustees Committee (Dean appointed).

University of Denver College of Law, Denver, CO 1999-2013
Ronald V. Yegge Clinical Director (2010-2011) (on leave 2011-13)
Director of Clinical Programs (2005-2011)
Associate Professor of Law (with tenure) (2005-2011)
Assistant Professor of Law (1999-2005)

Direct and administer the clinical programs, externship program and clinical fellowship program.

- Oversee and supervise tenure and tenure-track clinical faculty, fellows and staff
- Supervise externship director and program that serves on average 400 students per year
- Develop and manage budget for clinical programs and externship program
- Create and implement curriculum for clinical teaching fellows
- Support and encourage the scholarly development of clinical faculty and fellows

Teach and supervise law students in civil litigation clinic.

- Develop and implement pedagogically innovative curriculum, casework and projects
- Teach classes on substantive and skill-based topics related to the practice of law in the areas of immigrant workers' rights, asylum, housing law and domestic violence
- Supervise law students on individual trial and appellate cases, larger litigation projects and community based legal projects including legislative advocacy and community development

Service on faculty committees including: Chair of Promotion and Tenure (elected), Faculty Executive (elected), Appointments, Dean Search, Curriculum and Clinic Advisory Committees.

Cornell Law School, Ithaca, NY 2002-2003

Visiting Clinical Professor

Taught and supervised law students in civil clinic.

- Developed and implemented curriculum and taught classes on substantive and skill-based topics related to the practice of law in the areas of government benefits, housing, family and asylum law
- Supervised law students on individual cases as well as community based legal projects

Yale Law School, New Haven, CT 1993-1996

Cover Fellow in Public Interest Law - Clinical Teaching Fellow and Supervising Attorney

Administered the Poverty/HIV legal clinic, supervised students and represented clients in civil matters.

- Developed and implemented poverty law and HIV/AIDS curriculum
- Supervised law students on casework and projects in the Poverty/HIV clinic, Disabilities clinic, Prison clinic and the Housing and Community Development clinic
- Represented clients in administrative hearings, probate court, state and federal courts on issues including housing, entitlements, discrimination, family law and estate and future planning
- Advised and assisted non-profit with formation and incorporation

Universidad de Granada, Facultad de Derecho, Granada Spain Jan. – March 2019

Visiting Research Faculty

ESADE Law School, Universidad Ramon Llull, Barcelona, Spain April – June 2019

Visiting Scholar

EDUCATION

University of Connecticut School of Law - Hartford, CT J.D., May 1992

- Connecticut Journal of International Law, Notes and Comments Editor
- Dean's Fellow, Legal Writing and Research Instructor
- Joseph F. Noonan Award for Legal Scholarship and Public Service, 1991 and 1992
- University of Connecticut Public Interest Law Group - President, 1991 and 1992

Clark University - Worcester, MA

B.A., Economics, May 1989

- Fiat Lux Honor Society
- Omicron Delta Epsilon, International Economic Honor Society
- Ruth G. Hodgkins Memorial Scholarship, 1985-1989

University of Stirling - Stirling, Scotland

- International Exchange Program, Fall Semester 1987

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

Modalities of Lawyering for Social Change (current work in progress), *Modalities of Social Change Lawyering*, 26 LEWIS & CLARK L. REV. 1035 (2023) (with Doug Smith).

Designing Interdisciplinary, Early Intervention Dispute Resolution Tools to Decrease Evictions and Increase Housing Stability, 70 WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY JOURNAL OF LAW & POLICY 33 (2022).

An Innovative Approach to Movement Lawyering: An Immigrant Rights Case Study, 35 GEO. IMM. L.J. 431 (2021) (with Doug Smith).

Symposium, *Experience the Future: Papers from the Second National Symposium on Experiential Education in Law, Creative Initiatives at U.S. Law Schools*, 7 ELON L. REV. 57 (with Roberto Corrada, Myra Berman, Christine Ceniglia Brown and Katherine R. Kruse) (2015).

Hands Off Our Fingerprints: State, Local and Individual Defiance of Federal Immigration Enforcement, 47 CONNECTICUT L. REV. 101 (2014-2015).

Scholarship with Purpose: The View From a Mission-Driven School, 31 TOURO L. REV. 39 (2014).

Undocumented Workers and Concepts of Fault: Are Courts Engaged in Legitimate Decision Making?, 65 VANDERBILT L. REV. 389 (2012).

Ask, Don't Tell: Ethical Issues Surrounding Undocumented Workers' Status in Employment Litigation, 61 STAN. L. REV. 355 (2008).

Principles of Non-Arbitrariness: Lawlessness in the Administration of Welfare, 57 RUTGERS L. REV. 451 (2005).

The New Contract: Private Law Implications of Welfare Reform, 61 MD. L. REV. 246 (2002).

Welfare Entitlements in the Era of Devolution, 9 GEO. J. ON POVERTY L & POL'Y 89 (2002).

Kathleen A. Sullivan: A True Teacher's Teacher, 8 CLINICAL L. REV. 13 (2001).

The United States Policy on HIV Infected Aliens: Is Exclusion an Effective Solution?, 7 CONN. J. INT'L L. 367 (1992).

Book Contribution

POVERTY AND SOCIAL WELFARE IN AMERICA: AN ENCYCLOPEDIA, Editors, Gwendolyn Mink and Alice O'Connor (chapter to the book on *Legal Aid/Legal Services*) (2004).

LEGAL PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

American Civil Liberties Union of Colorado, Denver, CO 1998-1999

Intake Director/Staff Attorney

Represented clients on constitutional law and civil rights issues.

- Represented clients in federal and state court on matters relating to civil rights and constitutional law
- Developed the factual and legal analysis for potential cases
- Screened all requests for assistance
- Supervised and trained law students and other volunteers

Legal Aid Services of Oregon, Portland, OR 1996-1998

Staff Attorney

Represented indigent clients in civil matters with a focus on administrative and family law.

- Represented clients at both trial and appellate level in administrative hearings and state and federal court on issues involving, cash benefits, health care, child support and food stamps
- Analyzed and commented on proposed administrative rules issued by the Department of Human Resources
- Created and implemented a pro bono panel to assist clients with contested FAPA hearings

Neighborhood Legal Services, Hartford, CT 1992-1993

Staff Attorney

Represented indigent clients in civil matters with particular focus on clients with HIV/AIDS.

- Represented clients in civil court on issues including: housing, entitlements, family, discrimination, and estate and future planning and administrative hearings before the Social Security Administration and Department of Social Services

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Elite Capture, the Mobilization Dilemma and Human Regard, Roundtable Discussion, Law and Society Association Conference, June 2023.

Designing Interdisciplinary, Early Intervention Dispute Resolution Tools to Increase Housing Stability, Work in Progress Presentation, AALS Clinical Conference, April 2023.

Distinctions Among Social Change Lawyering Models, Paper Presentation, Law and Society Annual Conference, July, 2022.

Modalities of Progressive Social Change Lawyering, New York University Law School, Clinical Writers' Workshop, Oct. 2, 2021.

Law and Social Movements, Paper Presentation, Law and Society Annual Conference, May 28, 2021.

Conceptualizing Movement Lawyering, Work in Progress Presentation, AALS Clinical Conference, April 30, 2021.

How to Use Mediation Skills in High Conflict Situations, Training for University of Washington Medical School, Palliative Care Team, Sept. 25, 2020.

Experiential Education as Part of the Law School Curriculum, Conference for Associate Deans, Texas A&M University, School of Law, June 2, 2020.

Maintaining High Quality Experiential Learning Opportunities from a Distance, Leaning into Uncertainty: Ensuring Quality Legal Education During Coronavirus, virtual conference sponsored by Drexel University, Klien School of Law, May 26, 2020.

Law, Lawyers and Social Movement Resilience, Annual Law and Society Conference, Toronto, Canada, June 7, 2018.

Community Lawyering's Effect on Social Change: An Immigration Enforcement Case Study, New York University Law School, Clinical Writers' Workshop, September 23, 2017.

Rethinking Modern Immigration Policy, Evans School of Public Policy, University of Washington, February 21, 2017.

Changes to the Immigration Landscape Post 2017 Presidential Election, University of Washington School of Law, February 17, 2017.

(Re-)Designing A Clinic Using Backward Design, Workshop Leader, AALS Annual Clinical Conference, Rancho Mirage, CA, May 5-6, 2014.

Hands Off Our Fingerprints: State, Local, and Individual Defiance of Federal Immigration Enforcement, Faculty Presentation, University of Washington School of Law, October 13, 2014.

Decisions From the Supreme Court's Most Recent Term, Moderator, Vermont Law School, September 17, 2014.

Creative Initiatives in Experiential Education at U.S. Law Schools, Second National Symposium on Experiential Education in Law, Elon University School of Law, June 13-15, 2014.

Backward Design Curricular Reform Workshop, Workshop Leader, AALS Annual Clinical Conference, Chicago, IL, April 27-30, 2014.

Concepts of Federalism and Immigration Enforcement, Faculty Speakers Series, Vermont Law School, February 24, 2014.

State, Local, and Individual Defiance of Federal Immigration Enforcement, NYU Clinical Writers Workshop, September 28, 2013.

The Value of Variety: Opportunities, Implications and Challenges of diversification in Clinical Programs, Closing Plenary Remarks, AALS Clinical Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 1, 2013.

Hands Off Our Fingerprints: Privacy and Federalism Concerns in the Enforcement of Immigration Laws, AALS Clinical Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico, April 30, 2013.

Teaching Community Lawyering: Interfacing with Community; Student Self-Directed Learning and Collaboration, Mid-West Clinical Conference, St. Louis University School of Law, November 10, 2012.

Advancing Shared Social Justice Goals Through Community-Based Teaching, Learning and Service Programs, Panel Presentation, 2012 SALT Teaching Conference, October 6, 2012.

Learning for Transfer: (Re)conceptualizing What We Do in Clinics and Across the Curriculum; Diagnosis: Defining the Problem, Plenary Session Presentation, AALS Annual Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Seattle, WA, June 15, 2011.

Razing Arizona: Critiques of Immigration Enforcement Regimes Ranging From Arizona SB 1070 to Secure Communities, Moderator, University of Denver Sturm College of Law, February 17, 2011.

Immigrant Youth Activism, Moderator, LatCrit XV Conference, Denver, CO, October, 9, 2010.

The Role of Fault in a Post-Hoffman World: Evolving or Misguided Jurisprudence?, Clinical Writers' Workshop, New York University Law School, October 3, 2010.

The Secure Communities Program and Its Impact on Immigrants, Constitutional Day Speakers' Panel, University of Denver Department of Political Science and Sturm College of Law, September 28, 2010.

Nuts and Bolts of Assessment, AALS Annual Clinical Conference, Baltimore, MD, May 5, 2010.

In The Public Interest: Exploring the Legacy of Robert Cover as Professor, Activist, and Scholar, SALT Robert Cover Workshop, AALS Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, January 8, 2010.

Tapping Into the Law School Market: Building Successful Partnerships with Law Schools, National Legal Aid and Defender Conference, Denver, CO, November 11, 2009.

Formative Assessment of Ethical Judgment: Clinical Course Models From the Past, Directions for the Future, Legal Education at the Crossroads v. 3: Conference on Assessment, Denver, CO, September 12, 2009.

Clinical Scholarship, AALS Annual Clinical Conference, Cleveland, OH, May 9, 2009.

Clinical Scholarship Work in Progress Session, AALS Annual Clinical Conference, Cleveland, OH, May 8, 2009.

Complex Personnel Issues, AALS Law Clinic Directors Workshop, May 6, 2009.

Community Needs & Curricular Challenge, Teaching in the Moment: A Workshop on Curricular Development, University of Minnesota Law School, Minneapolis, MN, April 27, 2009.

Reflecting on Pedagogy, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Tucson, AZ, May 4, 2008.

Ask, Don't Tell: Ethical Issues Surrounding Undocumented Workers' Status in Employment Litigation, Work in Progress Series, University of Denver Sturm College of Law, October 17, 2007.

Ethical Dilemmas in Representing Undocumented Workers, Mountain West Regional Clinical Conference, Scholarship Roundtable, Thomas Jefferson School of Law, October 13, 2007.

Ask, Don't Tell: Ethical Issues Surrounding Undocumented Workers' Status in Employment Litigation, Second Annual Colloquium on Current Scholarship in Labor & Employment Law, University of Denver Sturm College of Law, September 28-29, 2007.

Beyond Legal or Illegal: Ethical Issues Surrounding Undocumented Workers' Status in Civil Litigation, Denver University Law Review Symposium, February 16, 2007.

Responding to Community Needs – The Day Laborer Center in Denver, Mountain West Regional Clinical Conference, November 18, 2006.

Beyond Legal or Illegal: Ethical Issues Surrounding Undocumented Workers' Status in Civil Litigation, Clinical Writers' Workshop, New York University Law School, April 29, 2006.

Finding Your Niche in Clinical Teaching, CLEA New Clinicians Conference, AALS Clinical Conference, Chicago, IL, April 30, 2005.

Meeting Scholarship Requirements as a Clinical Professor, Rocky Mountain Regional Clinical Conference, University of Denver College of Law, October 23, 2004.

Serving America's Working Poor: Combating Multiple Injustices with Action and Advocacy, Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, April 7, 2003.

The Real Work That Lawyers Do on Behalf of Indigent Clients, Lafayette College, March 2003.

Beyond Experts: Using Interdisciplinary Models to Improve Litigation Solutions, American Association of Law Schools (AALS) Annual Meeting, January 2003.

The Voice of Experience, Society of American Law Teachers Panel Presentation, American Association of Law Schools (AALS) Annual Meeting, January 2003.

The New Contract: Welfare Reform, Devolution and Due Process, University of Maryland Law School, Conference on the Reauthorization of the Personal Responsibility Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act, October 2001.

Federal and State Fair Housing Laws, American Association of Law Schools (AALS) Equal Justice Colloquium, University of Denver, February 2001.

Application of Clinical Skills to a Clinical Individual Representation Model, American Association of Law Schools (AALS) Centennial Annual Conference, January 2000.

Welfare Reform and Entitlements: The Procedural Due Process Implications, University of Denver College of Law, Denver, CO, February 1999.

Family Law Issues Faced by Survivors of Domestic Violence, Portland State University Masters' Program, Hillsboro, OR, August 26, 1997.

The Representation of Clients in Family Abuse Prevention Act Hearings, Oregon Bar Association, Accredited Continuing Legal Education Seminar, Hillsboro, OR, February 1997.

The Impact of the AIDS Epidemic on Children - What Lawyers, Judges, and Other Child Advocates Can Do to Help, Connecticut Bar Association Midyear Meeting, Farmington, CT, November 17, 1995.

AIDS and the Law, AIDS Certification Class, Albertus Magnus College, New Haven, CT, February 1994 and February 1995.

Community Lawyering: A Model of Lawyering for Social Change, Speakers Forum, Lafayette College, Easton, PA, December 5, 1994.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Co-Chair, AALS Clinical Section 2016

Co-Chair Elect, AALS Clinical Section 2015

Steering Committee Member, Alliance for Experiential Education in Law 2012-Present

Member, Executive Committee, AALS Clinical Section 2013-2017

Member, American Bar Association, Section of Legal Education and Admission to the Bar, Clinical Skills Committee 2008-2013

Drafted and submitted comments to the ABA, Section on Legal Education and Admission to the Bar, Standards Review Committee supporting the incorporation of student learning outcome measures and assessment tools into its accreditation standards.

Board of Directors, Clinical Legal Education Association (CLEA) 2004-2009

Chair, CLEA Elections Committee 2007-2009

Member, AALS Clinical Section, Scholarship Committee 2006-present

Member, Membership, Outreach, and Training Committee, AALS Clinical Section 2010-2018

Co-Chair, Regional Conference Committee, AALS Clinical Section 2005-2010

Co-Chair, Litigation Section, American Association of Law Schools (AALS) 2002-2003

Executive Committee Member, Litigation Section, (AALS) 2000-2005

Board of Directors, Legal Center for Persons With Disabilities 2000-2005

National Institute of Trial Advocacy August 1999
Participated in eleven-day trial training that concluded with a jury trial.

Welfare Litigation Task Force 1998-2002
Member of a Task Force designed to strategically litigate issues that arise under the 1996 Welfare Reform Act. Actively participated on litigation teams to address issues identified as priorities.

Housing For All, Legal Panel 1998-1999
Legal Panel member for a nonprofit organization that provides assistance to individuals with housing discrimination complaints.

Shelter/Domestic Violence Resource Center, Board of Directors 1996-1997
Board member for a nonprofit organization that provides shelter, emergency assistance and education to those affected by domestic violence.

HIV/AIDS Statewide Legal Services Task Force 1992-1996
Member of task force designed to coordinate legislative, legal and educational advocacy on for people with HIV/AIDS.

AIDS Project New Haven, Board of Directors 1993-1994
Board member for nonprofit organization that provides HIV/AIDS-related education to the community and direct services to people with HIV/AIDS and their families.

New Haven Home Recovery, Board of Directors 1993-1996
Board member for nonprofit organization which provides shelter, case management and educational programs for single women with children and administers a transitional housing program for HIV positive women and their children.

AWARDS

Clinical Legal Education Award for Excellence in Public Interest Case or Project May 2002
Students and faculty designed and implemented a multi-dimensional project to combat predatory lending which included comprehensive legislative advocacy, community legal education and litigation.

BAR ADMISSIONS

State of Colorado
State of Oregon (inactive)
State of Connecticut
State of Vermont
United States District Court, District of Colorado
United States District Court, District of Connecticut
10th Circuit Court of Appeals
United States Supreme Court