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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Associate Clinical Professor (August 2022-present)

Director, Housing Rights Advocacy Clinic

Supervise SJC 3:03 certified law students in their direct legal representation of clients facing housing insecurity in eviction cases and other matters. Teach related weekly seminar that combines opportunities for development of core lawyering skills, the examination of social and racial justice themes, and constructive reflections on practice.

Course: Experiential Clinic and related Clinical Seminar

Research Interest(s): The intersection of property and housing law frameworks with systemic housing inequities.

NEW ENGLAND LAW | BOSTON

Faculty Fellow (August 2021-July 2022)

Courses Taught: Property I and II; Introduction to Negotiation

BOSTON COLLEGE LAW SCHOOL

Visiting Clinical Professor

Director, Covid Relief Housing Clinic (Spring 2021)

Designed, implemented, and managed a housing clinic responsive to the pandemic-related eviction crisis. Supervised SJC 3:03 certified law students in their legal representation of clients facing eviction during the pandemic crisis. Partnered with a Waltham-based community housing organization to share and expand resources in delivering legal services and community education to Waltham residents.

Supervising Attorney, Civil Litigation Clinic (Fall 2013; Fall 2017; Fall 2018-Fall 2020)

Supervised SJC 3:03 certified law students in their legal representation of clients in this long-standing experiential clinic at Boston College Law School, focusing primarily on family, housing, and public benefits cases.

Courses Taught: Clinical Seminar; Introduction to Negotiation; Semester in Practice

ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

CLEAR Faculty Fellow (August 2022-present)

Selected to join interdisciplinary faculty cohort that will examine systemic inequities in the community business development, entrepreneurship, and housing spaces.

Latin American Law Student Association Moot Court Coach (August 2022-present)
Coach upper-level students in oral advocacy competition(s) featuring participation by LALSA students.

Pro Bono Public Interest Attorney (July 2021-present)
Direct representation of clients in housing and unemployment matters at BC Legal Services LAB.

Presentation: Addressing Landlord Unlawful Conduct (Spring 2021)
Presented a "Know Your Rights" live session (virtual) in partnership with a local housing organization to educate constituents about unlawful landlord conduct.

Supervising Attorney: Covid Relief Legal Services Project (Summer 2020)
In response to the growing demand for services by individuals affected by Covid-19, joined newly formed summer project to supervise cohort of Boston College Law School students assisting Boston-based residents establish eligibility for unemployment benefits in Massachusetts.

Presentation: Massachusetts Tenant Rights During Covid-19 (Spring 2020)
Partnered with local community organization to present a "Know Your Rights" live session (virtual) to relay information regarding the moratorium of eviction matters in Massachusetts.

ABA Law Student Division Negotiation Competition Co-Coach (Fall 2018; Fall 2019)
Coached Boston College Law School first-year student teams competing in the ABA negotiation competition.

Pro Bono Public Interest Attorney (2009-2011)
Joined BC Legal Services LAB at Boston College Law School to assist with direct client representation primarily in family law and social security disability matters.

EDUCATION

BOSTON COLLEGE LAW SCHOOL, Newton, MA
Juris Doctor, May 1995

SMITH COLLEGE, Northampton, MA
Bachelor of Arts, May 1989

PROFESSIONAL LAWYERING EXPERIENCE

Contract Attorney/Part-time Outside Counsel (2013-2018)
Boch Enterprises, Norwood, MA, 2012-2018
Provided advice and counsel in consumer, employment, and business contract matters, and representation in select commercial litigation matters.

Civil Litigation and Trial Attorney
Todd & Weld, LLP, Boston, MA (2002-04)

Represented plaintiffs and defendants in all areas of business litigation, including matters involving contract disputes, consumer protection matters, the protection of trade secrets and enforcement of non-competition agreements, and partnership disputes.

Peabody & Arnold, LLP, Boston, MA (1999-2002)

Managed a varied civil caseload in the areas of ERISA litigation, insurance coverage, federal and state consumer protections, and employment law, including litigation of claims relating to discrimination and wrongful discharge, wage and hour issues, and non-competition and other restrictive covenants.

Martin, Magnuson, McCarthy & Kenney, LLP, Boston, MA (1996-98)

Managed a civil caseload primarily to the defense of healthcare providers in professional malpractice cases. Defended physicians in complaints before the Board of Registration in Medicine and subsequent administrative appeals. Coordinated defense of malpractice cases with hospital general counsel, risk managers, and medical experts.

Law Clerk to the Justices of the Superior Court

Massachusetts Superior Court Department (1995-96)

Assisted Justices in all phases of civil and criminal litigation in a wide variety of substantive legal areas. Prepared legal memoranda, proposed jury instructions, and draft decisions and orders on dispositive motions.

AFFILIATIONS

BAR ADMISSIONS

Massachusetts, 1995

United States District Court of Massachusetts, 1995

BAR ASSOCIATIONS

Women's Bar Association

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY

Clinical Legal Education Association, 2018-present

Arlington Soccer Club Coach, 2015-18

Co-President, Dallin Elementary School PTO Board, 2014-16

Member, Dallin Elementary School PTO Board, 2011-16

Member, Community Farms Outreach Board of Directors, 2005-09

LANGUAGES

Native fluency in Spanish.