

EVAN DARRYL WALTON

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Northeastern University School of Law

Jul 2022–Present

*Associate Clinical Professor and Director of Community Business Clinic
Center for Law, Equity and Race (CLEAR) Faculty Fellow 2022-23*

Community Business Clinic

The Community Business Clinic provides second and third-year law students with client representation and professional development experiences by counseling returning citizens, local small business owners, community entrepreneurs, and nonprofit organizations on transactional legal matters.

- Teach and supervise 8 students per semester on client matters through seminar class, weekly team meetings, and office hours.
- Refocus clinic's geographic scope to serve clients in the neighborhoods surrounding the law school.

Boston University School of Law

Jul 2021–Jun 2022

Visiting Clinical Assistant Professor

Startup Law Clinic

The Startup Law Clinic prepares second and third-year law students for the transactional business and intellectual property law practices through representation of MIT and BU student entrepreneur ventures. Students learn substantive legal practice and soft skills like proper interviewing techniques and client counseling.

- Co-taught clinical seminar class of 20 students, specifically lecturing on corporate formation, founder's equity, nonprofit organization, and trademarks.
- Directly supervised 6 students on client matters using round robin team format and 1-on-1 meetings.

The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law

Jul 2019–Jun 2021

Jeff & Cynthia Harris Fellow

Entrepreneurial Business Law Clinic

The Entrepreneurial Business Law Clinic offers third-year law students the opportunity to represent local startup and nonprofit clients in transactional matters. Students develop the practical skills, professionalism, and confidence necessary to be successful early in their careers.

- Co-taught clinical seminar class of 16 students, specifically lecturing on client counseling, intellectual property (trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets), and nonprofit organizations.
- Directly supervised 8 students per semester on client matters through weekly team meetings; supervise additional students on specific IP and nonprofit matters as needed.
- Established clinic's intellectual property counseling practice to guide students through advising clients on trademark and copyright registration, trade secret protection, and IP assignment.

Wake Forest University School of Law

Aug 2018–Jul 2019

Clinical and Dean's Fellow

Community Law & Business Clinic

The Community Law & Business Clinic provides law students with an opportunity to develop the skills necessary to practice in an increasingly complex legal and regulatory environment by offering transactional legal assistance to small businesses, entrepreneurs, and nonprofit organizations.

- Supervised 7 students in the fall semester and 10 students in the spring semester through individual meetings and team discussions.
- Lectured on trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, and employment law topics.

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- Expanded nonprofit offerings by developing governance and employment practices check-ups for “mid-life” nonprofit organizations.
- Enhanced the efficiency of clinic’s trademark practice by leading the development of a tracking system for trademark applications and maintenance.

Veterans Legal Clinic

The Veterans Legal Clinic introduces law students to administrative law by providing them the opportunity to assist former service members, who have suffered from PTSD, traumatic brain injury or mitigating circumstances, in their petitions for upgrades to their discharge characterizations.

- Oversaw day-to-day operations, including managing the clinic’s budget and resources.
- Supervised 5 students in the fall semester and 7 students in the spring semester.
- Led students through client meeting preparation and peer-review discussion of their legal briefs.

EDUCATION

Wake Forest University School of Law *Juris Doctor* May 2018

CALI Award for Highest Grade: Community Law and Business Clinic I

Pro Bono Honor Society Inductee

Black Law Students Association, Treasurer

Duke University *Nonprofit Management Certificate* Jun 2018

Massachusetts Institute of Technology *Bachelor of Science in Political Science* Sept 2010

Thesis: Follow My Lead: Evaluating Coercion Theories for the 21st Century

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Wake Forest University School of Law

Student Clinician for Nonprofit, Small Business and Trademark Matters Aug 2017–May 2018

Counseled portfolio of small business and nonprofit clients on entity formation, operating agreements, trademarks, and 501(c)3 status under the supervision of a licensed attorney.

Research Assistant for Prof. Andrew Verstein Sept 2016–May 2018

Researched and analyzed case law for projects involving the court’s reliance on manipulatable interest rates and UCC 9-108 sufficiency requirements.

Co-Founder – Wake Forest Transactional Law Competition Apr 2016–May 2018

Created Wake Law’s annual contract drafting and negotiation competition to provide students with a transactional experience comparable to moot court or trial team.

Pro Bono Partnership of Atlanta

Nonprofit Legal Volunteer with General Counsel of the American Cancer Society Jun–Sept 2017

Transformed local nonprofit’s governance by revising bylaws to address the membership structure.

Court of Appeals of Georgia

Judicial Intern to the Honorable Carla Wong McMillian Jun–Aug 2017

Drafted memoranda, bench briefs, and opinions regarding case law precedent for judge’s use in determining how to rule on appeals.

Cober, Johnson & Romney

Legal Intern/Project Manager – Small Business & Real Estate Law Jun–Aug 2016

Analyzed developer proposals for client during selection process of \$60 million senior living facility.

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Maloney Law & Associates, PLLC

Legal Intern – Employment Law

May–Jun 2016

Researched remedies, prepared discovery requests, and wrote memoranda to advance litigation and settlement of employment claims.

WORK & BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

HTB Real Estate Holdings, LLC, <i>Co-Owner – Property Acquisition and Management</i>	2018–2021
Walled Town Consulting, LLC, <i>Owner and Principal – Educational and Career Consulting</i>	2013–2015
German Marshall Fund of the United States, <i>Global HR Operations and Compensation</i>	2013–2014
Cambridge Associates, <i>Investment Data Management and Research</i>	2012–2013
Draper Laboratory, <i>HR Operations and Recruitment</i>	2011–2012

REPRESENTATIVE LEGAL MATTERS PERFORMED AND SUPERVISED

Counseled founder of recently acquired company on his rights and obligations regarding continued employment at acquiring company and the payout amount owed for his shares.

Advised collegiate merchandise designer on drafting and negotiating production agreements with fabricators that clarifies IP ownership and prevents creation of illicit copies.

Guided disability advocacy LLC with multiple locations and \$1+ million in Medicaid revenue through the feasibility of and options for transitioning to a nonprofit corporation.

Counseled undergraduate student team on choosing between LLC and C-Corp based on their current activities and timing of future goals.

Advised former track & field Olympian on forming a tax-exempt health and literacy nonprofit organization.

Reviewed and revised the governance and employment practices for youth leadership nonprofit organization.

Advised entrepreneur networking company on whether its common law trademark had priority over a competitor's common law trademark.

Counseled women's empowerment LLC on responding to trademark opposition filed by movie studio.

Negotiated and settled a copyright infringement claim raised against client's use of a photo on blog.

Responded to USPTO trademark office action for rejection on Section 2(d) 'likelihood of confusion' grounds.

PUBLISHED SCHOLARSHIP

Evan Darryl Walton, Paige Wilson, Michael Murphy, and Emily Buchholz, *Zooming into the Future of Skills-based Teaching*, 23 Tenn. J. Bus. L. (2022)

E. Darryl Walton, *Avoiding Pitfalls: Employer Contractual and Compensation Lessons for Modifying the Employment Relationship*, 8 Wake Forest L. Rev. Online 27

Examination of compensatory and contractual pitfalls that employers face when altering the employment agreements of salaried, non-exempt employees.

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SCHOLARSHIP IN PROGRESS

[Article] Content House of Cards: Influencers' Path to Profits or Predatory Publicity Playground

PRESENTATIONS AND MEDIA APPEARANCES

Small Businesses and Startups Still Stymied by Substantial LLC Registration and Maintenance Fees, *Center for Law, Equity and Race, Northeastern University School of Law, Boston, MA, Jul. 17, 2023, Presenter*

Having Fun While Practicing Law: When Classes End and Career Begins, *AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, San Francisco, CA, April 28, 2023, Co-Presenter*

Spotlighting “Innocuous” Business Processes that Support Inequity and Spurring Social Justice and Socioeconomic Solutions, *ClassCrits XIII: Unlocking Race & Class For Just Transitions, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Houston, TX, October 21, 2022, Co-Presenter*

Choose Your Own Misadventure: Thrilling Tales of Student Disengagement, And How We Got Creative to Save the Day, *AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Online, May 13, 2022, Co-Presenter*

The AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education StorySlam: My Most Creative Moment as a Lawyer, *AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Online, May 11, 2022, Storyteller*

Nonprofit Basics, *BU/MIT Startup Law Clinic, October 14, 2021 (Online) and October 29, 2021, Presenter*

Zooming into the Future of Skills-Based Teaching, *Emory Conference on the Teaching of Transactional Law and Skills, June 4, 2021, Panelist*

How Dark Money is Reshaping Politics, *All Sides with Ann Fisher, July 30, 2020, Radio Guest*

Transactional Lawyering in a Time of Crisis, *AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Online, July 21-23, 2020, Co-Facilitator*

Legal Education Presentations for Early-Stage Entrepreneurs, *1 Million Cups Columbus, Columbus, OH*
September 25, 2019 – Trade Secrets: Protecting Your IP Before and Beyond Filing, Presenter
February 26, 2020 – Creating Valuable Written Contracts for Early-Stage Entrepreneurs, Presenter
April 22, 2020 – Employment Law: Proper Personnel Planning Pre and Post Pandemic, Presenter

Intellectual Property and Entrepreneurship *Wake Forest Center for Entrepreneurship, April 16, 2019, Winston-Salem, NC, Presenter*

“How to Protect A Startup” 2019 Presentation Series, *Flywheel Coworking Space, Winston-Salem, NC*
April 3, 2019 – Asset Protection & Vendor Agreements, Co-Presenter
May 1, 2019 – Engaging Legal Help & Managing Costs, Presenter

Administration and Finance in the Nonprofit Organization, *Wake Forest University Downtown Campus, October 17, 2018, Winston-Salem, NC, Presenter*

Nights for Nonprofits Presentation Series for Entry Nonprofit Practitioners, *Wake Forest University School of Law, Winston-Salem, NC*
October 16, 2018 – Cause Development & Market Awareness, Presenter
October 30, 2018 – Incorporation, Presenter
November 13, 2018 – Tax Exemption & Fundraising, Presenter

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Advocacy and Lobbying in the Nonprofit Sector, *HandsOn Northwest North Carolina*, May 17, 2018, Winston-Salem, NC, Co-Presenter

SCHOLARSHIP COMMENTS

Place-based Capital Raising, *Edward W. De Barbieri, Northeastern University School of Law Faculty Colloquium*, Mar. 15, 2023

PRACTICAL GUIDANCE MATERIALS

Trademark Clearance Search Memorandum Template, *OSU Entrepreneurial Business Law Clinic*, November 15, 2019, Columbus, OH, Author

Memorandum on Entity Tax Considerations Post Tax Cut and Jobs Act, *Wake Forest Community Law & Business Clinic*, May 9, 2018, Winston-Salem, NC, Co-Author

Nonprofit Bylaws Template w/ Insight Questions, *Wake Forest Community Law & Business Clinic*, May 10, 2017, Winston-Salem, NC, Author

Nonprofit HR Policies & Employee Handbook Template w/ Insight Questions, *Wake Forest Community Law & Business Clinic*, May 10, 2017, Winston-Salem, NC, Author

SERVICE TO ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS

CLEA Communications Committee, *Clinical Legal Education Association* – Member – Jan 2022–Present
Planning Committee, *Transactional Clinical Conference* – Chair – Nov 2022–Jul 2023

Assessments Committee, *Northeastern University School of Law* – Member – Aug 2022–May 2023
Experiential Education Committee, *Northeastern University School of Law* – Member – Aug 2022–May 2023

Planning Committee, *New England Clinical Conference* – Member – Jul 2022–Apr 2023

Assistant Director of Student Affairs Hiring Committee, *Northeastern University School of Law* – Member – Fall 2022

Divided Community Project Fellowship Hiring Committee, *The Ohio State Univ. Moritz College of Law* – Member – Spring 2020

Experiential Learning Committee, *Wake Forest Univ. School of Law* – Member – Aug 2018–Jul 2019

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

Georgia – Member – Nov 2018

North Carolina – Member – Apr 2019

Ohio (inactive and in good standing) – Member – Jan 2021

Massachusetts – Member – Aug 2021

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Beta Nu House Corp – Treasurer – Oct 2011–2012, Oct 2021–Present

Capital Area REACH – Mentor – Jun 2012–Dec 2017