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PRESENT POSITION

VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Assistant Dean for Academic Computing

2001-present

Responsibilities:

Managing and supervising academic and administrative technology needs and initiatives of the Law School which includes: Implementing and overseeing computerized law school exams since 2002, including selecting the appropriate software and supervising training and administration of exams; Working with faculty to integrate technology-based teaching tools, including effective use of presentation software, audience response systems, and smart boards; Supervising Media Services department and providing all classroom equipment including computers, network connections, projectors, screens, smart boards, and microphones, ensuring all equipment is in working order, ordering replacement parts and hiring outside contractors; Supervising Administrative Computing Coordinator and working with registrar, financial aid and admissions offices with Banner systems, administering Blackboard accounts and classrooms, creating seating charts and maintaining online photo directory; Supervising Webmaster and website development, including faculty publications database, exam database and other academic and administrative database projects; Supervising Social Science Research Network and Berkeley Electronic Press working papers coordinator and serving as liaison to both companies; Providing software services to law school organizations such as journals, honor board and student bar association; Developing website, email, exam and other policies and procedures for publication in student handbook and web; Working collaboratively with other University IT departments on projects and IT developments; Recording and distributing digital class recordings online; Overseeing purchase, configuration and maintenance of academic and administrative software packages including Course Management System (Blackboard), room scheduling software (Resource Scheduler), plagiarism software (Turnitin), legal writing software (Waypoint), clinical programs software (Kemps), career strategy software (Simplicity) and faculty administration software (Digital Measures); Serving as technology point person on building steering committee and working with AV and IT consultants, engineers and contractors to effectively communicate law school needs, reviewing architectural drawings and specifications, and working toward successfully implementing technology into all aspects of new law school building scheduled to open fall of 2009; and Co-chairing website committee through three comprehensive architectural and design renovations of law school website, including current website project which involves implementation of a CMS platform for website management.

Courses:

Administrative Practice (Agency Rulemaking)

PRIOR POSITIONS

UNITED STATES FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Staff Attorney

2000-2001

Bureau of Consumer Protection, Division of Marketing Practices, Washington, D.C.

Responsibilities: Strategic development and implementation of FTC internet-related policy initiatives; Internet Coordinating Committee; Civil prosecution of internet-related and high-tech unfair and deceptive practices; Administrative rulemaking.

Policy Projects: Leader of congressionally mandated study of Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act (“Esign”); Core member of Esign legal team analyzing Esign’s affect on all Commission rules and regulations; Leader of effort to examine warranty, intellectual property and licensing issues associated with software and other high-tech products and services and the Uniform Computer and Information Transactions Act (“UCITA”).

VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Visiting Assistant Professor of Law

1998-2000

Courses: Computer Law
Digital Law
First Amendment and Regulation in Cyberspace
Information Law Clinic

Faculty Director, Global Democracy Project

1998-2000

Responsibilities: Writing grants and briefing key government officials including Ministers of Justice, Foreign Diplomats, State Department members, and members of foreign governments. In Bosnia, designing networks, arranging internet connectivity for government offices, maintaining technical support, configuring and providing legal content for an in-country server, and teaching classes to Bosnian system administrators in UNIX and HTML.

Teaching Fellow

1996-1998

Courses: Computer Law
Information Law Clinic

Director of Operations, The Center for Information Law and Policy (“CILP”) 1997-1998

Director of Technology, CILP 1996-1997

Project Manager, CILP 1994-1996

Research Fellow, CILP 1993-1994

Overview: The Center for Information Law and Policy, (“CILP”) was a non-profit research institute dedicated to exploring issues at the intersection of law and technology. CILP had also been an active participant in the development of a global domain name policy and other public policy issues regarding internet governance.

MORAVIAN COLLEGE

Physics Lab Assistant, Physics Department

Summer 1992

BETHLEHEM STEEL CORPORATION

Intern, Basic Oxygen Furnace Department

Fall 1991

EDUCATION

VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW Villanova, PA
Degree: Juris Doctor 1996
Honors Herman Mitchell Schwartz Award (awarded annually to the person
& Awards: in the graduating class who, in the opinion of the faculty, has
contributed the most to the achievement of equality of opportunity
and treatment for women, either within the Law School, in the
legal profession, or in society at large) (1996)
President, Intellectual Property Society (1995-1996)
Managing Publications Editor, THE INFO. L. CHRON. (1994-1996)
Internet Server Advisory Group (1993-1996)
Quarterfinalist, Reimel Moot Court Competition (1996)

MORAVIAN COLLEGE Bethlehem, PA
Degree: Bachelor of Science 1993
Major: Physics, *cum laude*
Honors: Young Alumni Achievement Award, 2003 Recipient
Sigma Pi Sigma (National Physics Honor Society)
Vice-president, National Society of Physics Students, Moravian
College Chapter (1991-93)
Independent Study, Quantum Mechanics, 4.0
Dean's List

PUBLICATIONS

Application of Cascade Theory to Online Systems: A Study of Email and Google Cascades,
Forthcoming Minnesota Journal of Law, Science and Technology (Spring 2009).
Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act: Report to Congress, Joint report by the
Federal Trade Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection and the Department of
Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (June 2001).
<http://www.ntia.doc.gov/ntiahome/ntiageneral/esign/105b/esign7.pdf>.
The Creation of a New Top-Level Domain for Adult Content, Congressional Commission on
Online Child Protection, Children's Online Protection Act (COPA) Testimony (June
2000) <http://www.copacommission.org/meetings/hearing1/agenda.shtml>.
Norm Origin and Development in Cyberspace: Models of CyberNorm Evolution, 78 WASH.U.
L.Q., 59 (2000) (reprinted in part in *CyberEthics*, Halbert and Ingulli, 2002).
Information Technology: Building a Bridge to Bosnia's Future, United States Institute for Peace,
PEACEWORKS, (with Christopher Reenock) (October-November 1999 issue).
Copyright Law Tackles Yet Another Challenge; The Electronic Frontier of the World Wide Web,
24.1 RUTGERS COMP. & TECH. L. J., 75 (1997).
*Internet Red Light Districts? Domain Name Proposal for Regulatory Zoning of Obscene
Content*, 16.1 JOHN MARSHALL J. COMP. & INFO. L., 21 (1997).
General Contractor Site Safety Responsibility-The Courts' View (with Charles Culver, Ph.D.,
P.E.), CONSTRUCTOR, Vol. LXXX, No. 8, (August 1998).
Technical Note, Electronic Publishing, Pennsylvania Bar Association Course Text (1995, 1996,
1997); CTR. INFO. LAW & POLICY, Tech. Notes (with Henry H. Perritt, Jr.) (1996).
What is the Internet? Pennsylvania Bar Association Course Text (1997); CTR. INFO. LAW &
POLICY, Tech. Notes (with Henry H. Perritt, Jr.) (1997).

PRESENTATIONS

Pennsylvania Bar Institute, Tech Law Forum, *Ethics and Client Confidentiality Issues Associated
with Attorneys Using Online Storage and Backup Services*, Philadelphia (July 2007).
Pennsylvania Bar Institute, E-discovery Program, *Professional Responsibility Issues that Arise
When Lawyers use Embedded Information in Electronic Documents*, Philadelphia
(November 2007).

Moravian College, *The Practice of Law in the Digital Age*, Bethlehem, PA (October 2003).

Villanova University School of Law, 50th Anniversary Symposium, *The Next 50 Years in the Law, The Future of Law and Information Technology*, Villanova, PA (September 2003).

Pennsylvania Bar Institute, Internet Update, *Professional Responsibility and Attorney Ethics*, Philadelphia (April 2003).

Pennsylvania Bar Institute, Internet Update, *Social and Legal Ramifications of Peer-to-Peer (P2P) Technologies*, Philadelphia (April 2002).

Institute for the Study of Information Technology and Society, *Legal and Technological Change in E-commerce*, Heinz School of Public Policy and Management, Carnegie Mellon University (February 2002).

Pennsylvania Bar Institute, Legal Issues in Advertising, *Internet Advertising and FTC Regulations*, Philadelphia (March 2002).

American Society for Information Science and Technology, *UCITA and the Information Professional*, Washington, D.C. (November 2001).

National Association for College and University Attorneys, Universities, *UCITA and Information Access and Control*, Washington, D.C. (November 2001).

Federal Trade Commission, *ESIGN Public Workshop*, moderator, Washington, D.C. (April 2001).

Federal Trade Commission, *Warranty Protection for High-Tech Products and Services*, moderator, Washington, D.C. (October 2000).

Practicing Law Institute, *E-Commerce: Strategies for Success in the Digital Economy, Advertising on the Internet, Local and Global Issues*, New York City, Boston (September 2000).

Federal Trade Commission, Internet Investigations Training, *Internet Overview, Jurisdiction, Privacy-Related Legal Issues, Spam, Web Site Cramming, International Modem Dialing*, Washington, D.C. (June 2000), Austin (August 2000), Rockville (March 2001), Harrisburg (May 2001), Tallahassee (May 2001), Boston (June 2001).

Association for Telecommunications Professionals in Higher Education (ACUTA), *Cramming and the FTC's Pay-Per-Call Rule*, Washington, D.C. (July 2000).

Congressional Commission on Online Child Protection, Children's Online Protection Act (COPA) Testimony, *The Creation of a New Top-Level Domain for Adult Content*, Washington, D.C. (June 2000).

Pennsylvania Bar Institute, Internet Update, *Domain Names and Cybersquatting*, Philadelphia (April 2000).

The Global Democracy Project, *Cyberterrorism: The World Held Hostage in the Digital Age*, opening remarks, Villanova (March 2000).

Pennsylvania Bar Institute, Technology Institute, *Domain Names and Cybersquatting*, Philadelphia (February 2000).

The Delaware Valley and Pennsylvania Women Law Teachers, *Social Norm Theory and Internet Regulation*, Temple University (February 2000).

University of Maryland School of Law, Legal Theory Workshop, *Norm Origin and Development in Cyberspace: Models of Cybernorm Evolution*, Baltimore (September 1999).

Villanova Sports and Entertainment Law Journal Annual Symposium, *Place Your Bets: Who Will Hold the Cards in Internet Gambling*, moderator and panelist, Villanova (Spring 1999).

Pennsylvania Bar Institute, CLE, *Internet Law Update, Jurisdiction and Dispute Resolution*, Philadelphia (Spring 1999).

The Global Democracy Project and Villanova International Law & Policy Compendium, *NATO Troops in Bosnia-Herzegovina: Implications of a Sustained Involvement*, opening remarks, Villanova (Spring 1998).

National Association of Attorneys General and Appellate Chiefs, *The Future of the Internet and Other Important Trends in Technology*, Washington, D.C. (May 1998).

The Delaware Valley and Pennsylvania Women Law Teachers, *Information Technology as a Catalyst for Democratization*, Temple University (February 1998).

Pennsylvania Bar Institute, CLE, *The Internet for PA Lawyers*, Philadelphia, Mechanicsburg,

Pittsburgh, (February 1998).

United States Institute for Peace, *Strategic Plan to Rebuild Legal Information Infrastructure of Rwanda* (presentation to and discussion with the Rwandan Ministry of Justice and U.S. State Dept.) Washington, D.C. (December 1997).

Villanova University Professional Day, *Implications of the Communications Decency Act*, Villanova (November 1997).

European Commission for Democracy through Law/Venice Commission, *The Importance of Open Access to Court Opinions through the Internet, Central and Eastern European Legal Network*, Brussels (October 1997).

Delaware Council of 13, *Computer Law Issues for Corporate Attorneys*, Delaware (October 1997).

Berks County Bar Association, Bench Bar Conference, *Law and the Internet*, (September 1997).

Computer Aided Legal Instruction (CALI) 1997 Conference: *The Democratization of Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction*, plenary speaker, Chicago (June 1997).

United States Tax Court, *Integrated Systems for Legal Institutions*, Washington, D.C. (April 1997).

University of Buffalo Law Review Symposium: *Information Access Rights Based on International Human Rights Law*, Buffalo (March 1997).

Sarajevo Office of Management and Information Technologies Center, Soros Foundations – Open Society Fund Bosnia-Herzegovina, *Networked Systems for Legal Institutions*, Sarajevo (February 1997).

Pennsylvania Bar Institute, CLE, *The Internet for Attorneys, Technical Overview, Ethics and the Internet*, Philadelphia (May 1995, August 1996, April 1997, November 1998), Pittsburgh (August 1996).

Villanova University School of Law Alumni, *Law and the Internet*, Philadelphia, Delaware, New York (1995, 1996).

Benefit Program for Project Bosnia, *The Internet for Professionals*, Philadelphia (October 1996).

CEO Roundtable, *The Internet for CEOs*, Philadelphia (1996).

Philadelphia Bar Association CLE Presentation, *Intellectual Property and the Information Superhighway*, Philadelphia (October 1996).

State Presidents of American Association of University Women (AAUW), *Project Bosnia*, Washington, D.C. (September 1996).

Private Law Firm presentations, *Cyberspace and Attorneys with an Emphasis on Intellectual Property*, Philadelphia (August 1996).

Lancaster Bar Association, *Internet Applications for Lawyers* (February 1996).

The University of Sarajevo, ABA CEELI hosted presentation, *Technology Uses in Law Schools*, Villanova (January 1996).

MEDIA COMMENTARIES

WHYY, Commented on two cases pending before the Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit regarding students' free speech rights on the internet (June 2009).

WHYY, Radio Times, Program on Cyberterrorism, studio guest (March 2000).

The Oregonian, Commented about the availability and implications of public records on the internet (January 14, 2000).

ABCnews.com, Interview about the "internet intoxication" defense used by the lawyer for Columbine death threat suspect (January 13, 2000) <<http://www.abcnews.go.com/sections/us/DailyNews/rubin000112.html>>.

KYW 1060, Interview regarding Serbian war on Kosovo (aired April 1999).

ABCnews.com, Commented in follow-up news story on verdict against website targeting abortion doctors known as the Christian Gallery Nuremberg Files (February 3, 1999) <<http://204.202.137.114/sections/us/DailyNews/verdict990203.html>>.

ABCnews.com, Quoted in article exploring internet regulation as it related to Christian Gallery website operators (November 2, 1998) <<http://archive.abcnews.go.com/sections/us/DailyNews/websites981030.html>>.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Commented on Christian Gallery website verdict (February 3, 1999); Also appeared in online edition, Star-Telegram.Com at

<<http://www.netarrant.com/news/doc/1047/1:NE32/1:NE32020399.html>>.
The Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Quoted in story about the regulation of unsolicited email (January 24, 1999); Also appeared in online edition, Star-Telegram.Com at <<http://www.star-telegram.net/news/doc/1047/1:ARL11/1:ARL11012499.html>>.
Fox TV, Interview with Bruce Gordon about regulating internet content (aired on evening news February, 16, 1998).
Paramount UPN 57 TV, Interview about internet infrastructure and regulation, (aired several times during January 1998).
Wired Magazine, Interview about rebuilding the legal infrastructure of Bosnia-Herzegovina. (Spring 1997).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND COMMITTEES

Building Steering Committee (2001-present)
Website Advisory Committee (Co-Chair, 2001-present)
Information Technology Committee (1999-2007)
American Bar Association's Global Jurisdiction Task Force, "Transnational Issues in Cyberspace: A Project on the Law Relating to Jurisdiction" (1998-2000)
Pennsylvania Bar Association Technology Task Force (1998-2000)
United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Model Computer Commerce Law Project, Consultant, Purpose of project was to support economic development programs by fostering the legal and regulatory reforms within developing countries of the world to enhance and standardize electronic commerce. Consultants assisted in the development of model computer commerce laws to implement in developing countries. (1998-1999)
Pennsylvania Bar and Pennsylvania Bar Association
New Jersey Bar (inactive)
American Bar Association

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Arranged collection and shipment of more than 80 computers and over 1,000 legal books for shipment to Rwanda for use in Rwandan legal education facilities in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Defense. (1999)
Organized symposium and delivered opening remarks, *Cyberterrorism: The World Held Hostage in the Digital Age*. Panel Participants: Richard Downing, Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section, U.S. Department of Justice; Brigadier General Charles J. Dunlap, Jr., U.S. Air Force; Mark Montgomery, Director for Transnational Threats at the National Security Council; Captain Leslie J. Schaffner, Jr., U.S. Navy; David Tubbs, Executive Vice President, Chief Technology Office of Talon Technology International; John F. Murphy, Professor of Law, Villanova University School of Law. (2000)
Organized symposium and delivered opening remarks, *NATO Troops in Bosnia-Herzegovina: Implications of a Sustained Involvement*. Panel Participants: Tom Gjelten (moderator), Diplomatic Correspondent, National Public Radio; Senator Joseph Biden of Delaware; Ambassador Nedzib Sacirbey, Bosian Ambassador at Large to the United States; Matthew Daley, Deputy Special Representative of the President and the Secretary of the State for the Implementation of the Dayton Peace Accords; Kurt Bassuener, Policy Analyst, Balkan Institute; Ivo Daalder, Professor of Political Science, University of Chicago. (1998)
Arranged Ambassador Robert S. Gelbard, former Special Representative of the President and the Secretary of State to the Balkans for Implementation of the Dayton Accords, as Villanova University School of Law's Commencement Speaker. (1998)
Written grant proposals and received federal grant money from the United States Institute of Peace.

MISCELLANEOUS

Trained as a semi-professional ballerina at the Ballet Guild of the Lehigh Valley (now the Pennsylvania Youth Ballet) and was a soloist in the performing company.