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**FACULTY  
APPOINTMENTS:**

**Associate Professor of Law**  
Lincoln Memorial University – Duncan School of Law  
Knoxville, Tennessee

Teach in the Lawyering Skills program which includes teaching trial and appellate brief writing, oral advocacy and professionalism, as well as teaching in the Academic Success Program. Areas of interest also include Immigration law, Asylum law and Poverty law issues. (July 2011- present)

**Director of Notre Dame Immigration Clinic**  
**Co-Director of Notre Dame Legal Aid Clinic**  
University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame Law School  
Notre Dame, Indiana

Organized and directed the Law School's pro bono Clinic, taught the course component on poverty law and skills training, and supervised student interns in the interviewing of clients, filing and litigating of cases in the state courts. Set up and directed the Immigration Clinic as well as taught substantive law courses in Immigration Law and Refugee and Asylum Law, supervised students in litigating cases before IJ, BIA and Seventh Circuit. (1990-2002)

**Director of Notre Dame Immigration Clinic**  
University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame Law School  
Notre Dame, Indiana

Taught the substantive law courses entitled Immigration Law, and, Refugee and Asylum Law. Taught and supervised student interns and the Immigration Clinic Fellow in the Immigration Clinic and the Asylum Clinic in the practice of Immigration law, professional responsibility and trial advocacy. With students, prepared and gave community presentations on immigration issues. (2002-2006)

**Adjunct Professor**  
University of Utah, S.J. Quinney School of Law  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Taught a substantive law course entitled Refugee and Asylum Law. (Summer 2008). Supervise law students in the Law School's pro bono immigration advice clinic at Horizonte and in the Immigration Court. (2006-present)

**COURSES  
TAUGHT:**

Immigration Law [1992-2006]  
Asylum and Refugee Law [1995-2006, 2008]

Clinical Law Courses: Family Law, Poverty Issues, Legal Skills Training, Professional Responsibility [1990-2006]

“Power to Communion” through the Department of Theology [2003]

“Border Issues and the Immersion Experience,” a course for law students and Masters of Divinity students exploring the issues of immigration culminating in trips to the Mexican/US Border, El Salvador, Monterrey, Mexico, and Cuba [2001-2008].

**LEGAL  
EXPERIENCE:**

**Legal Director - Utah Health and Human Rights Project**

Salt Lake City, Utah (2010-July 2011)

Worked with survivors of torture, war trauma, and human trafficking, as well as asylees to provide legal service to help them regularize their status in the United States and to reunite them with families. This was done within a continuum of care including specialized mental health services, health care and medical advocacy and comprehensive case management. Also trained and consulted with members of the community and professionals to improve the quality and efficacy of victim assistance in Utah.

**Public Policy Advocate, ACLU-Utah**

Salt Lake City, Utah (2008-2009)

Responsible for advancing the ACLU’s policy priorities through coalition building, implementing legislative strategies, field organizing and involving ACLU members and leaders in the policy work of the organization.

**Co-Director - Immigrant Legal Access Initiative**

Salt Lake City, Utah (2006-July 2011)

Directed and worked with the Immigration Court, AILA and the Utah Bar to train attorneys and law students to handle asylum cases and cases before the Immigration Court in order to provide pro bono services to indigent immigrants.

**Director of Immigration**

Holy Cross Ministries, Salt Lake City, Utah (2006-2007)

Worked with the Sisters of the Holy Cross in their ministry for immigrants in Utah. Provided direct immigrant legal services for those seeking family based immigration as well as those in court proceedings. Trained and supervised three BIA accredited representatives as well as law students from the University of Utah, BYU and Notre Dame. Provided training on immigration to community groups and Utah lawyers through the Utah Continuing Education Program.

**Private Practice Attorney**

Tulsa, Oklahoma (1983-1989) :

Los Angeles, California (1980-1983)

Pretrial and appellate litigation in state and federal courts with principal practice areas including business litigation, oil and gas, antitrust, copyright infringement, product liability, personal injury and medical and legal malpractice.

**Law Clerk**

Honorable Venetta Tassopoulos, United States District Court, Central District of California. (1980)

**PUBLICATIONS:**

**CASES:**

*Flores-Torres v. Mukessey*, (7<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2008) No. 08-1614

*Jeannette Uwase v. Ashcroft*, 349 f. 3d 1039 (7<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2003)

**ARTICLES:**

“Practicing Law on September 11”, *Notre Dame Lawyer*, Spring 2002  
“Reaching Beyond Borders”, *Notre Dame Lawyer*, Spring 2003  
“Road to Emmaus”, Malloy Hall, University of Notre Dame, 2005

**EDUCATION:**

Pepperdine University School of Law, California  
Doctor of Jurisprudence, May 1980

Lawrence University, Appleton, Wisconsin  
Bachelor of Arts Degree, June 1975

**INVITED  
LECTURES:**

**“Asylum Pro Bono Training”**  
Utah State Bar, October 2007

**“Fundamentals of Handling Removal Cases”**  
Immigration Law Training and Immigration Model Hearing Program  
EOIR Pro Bono Training Project, Salt Lake City, Utah, August 2007, May 2010

**“What You Should Know About U and T Visas”**  
Utah Victims Assistance Academy, Weber State University, Ogden, Utah, June 2007

**“Trafficking and the T visa”**  
**“Building Bridges Not Walls”**  
Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. 10th Annual Convening  
Tucson, Arizona, May 2007

**“Family Immigration Law”**  
Mennonite Central Committee, Akron, Pennsylvania, May 2002

**“Immigration Issues at the Border”**  
Mennonite Central Committee, Nogales Arizona, March 2002

**“Recent Developments in Asylum Law”**  
American Immigration Lawyers Association, Chicago Illinois, October 2001

**“New Developments for Immigrants”**  
Mennonite Central Committee, Phoenix, Arizona, April 2000

**“Ask a Lawyer”**  
Sponsored by the St. Joseph Bar Association with WSBT-TV, 1996 & 1998

**“The Effects of the New Immigration Law”**  
Friends of the Library Program Series, WNDU, January 1998

**“Teaching Skills in Substantive Law Courses”**  
Presentation at American Immigration Lawyers Association Conference  
San Francisco, California, June 1994

**“Alternate Resolution of Legal Problems”**  
St. Mary’s College, Notre Dame, Indiana, May 1993

**“Legal Issues in Dissolution and Custody Disputes”**  
Madison Center Counseling staff, South Bend, Indiana, March 1993

**“Legal Issues of the Homeless”**  
University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana, September 1990

**PROFESSIONAL  
MEMBERSHIPS:**

American Immigration Lawyers Association  
California Bar Association  
Indiana Bar Association

**ADMISSIONS:**

State of California, 1980  
United States District Court, Central District of California, 1981  
State of Oklahoma, 1987  
United States District Court, Northern District of Oklahoma, 1988  
State of Indiana, 1990  
United States District Court, Northern District of Indiana, 1991

**AWARDS:**

“Distinguished Notre Dame Woman Recognition Award”: April 14, 2003: The award recognizes the contributions of women who have served as outstanding role models for students at Notre Dame.

“Presidential Award”: 1995: Awarded by the President of the University of Notre Dame to faculty members for outstanding service to the University and the community in responding to the needs of the poor.