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EXPERIENCE

LMU Duncan School of Law, Knoxville, Tennessee

August 2015 – present

Director of Legal Writing & Assessment and Assistant Professor of Law. Lead the legal writing program and teach courses in Legal Communication, Academic Success, Bar Exam Preparation, and Immigration Law. Play a leading role in the implementation of the school's ongoing assessment of its program of legal education. Have served as faculty advisor for several student organizations, including the Law Review and the Mock Trial team. Have contributed to the Experiential Learning Program by advising and acting as supervising attorney for students in externships.

Tennessee Supreme Court, Knoxville, Tennessee

August 2012 – August 2015

Law Clerk for Justice Gary R. Wade. Assisted in the preparation of opinions through researching, drafting, and editing. Reviewed applications for permission to appeal and assisted in evaluating opinions by other justices.

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Georgia, Augusta, Georgia

August 2010 – August 2012

Law Clerk for U.S. Magistrate Judge W. Leon Barfield. Managed a civil docket with approximately 200 open cases.

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Atlanta, Georgia

Spring 2010

Intern in the Legal Unit of the EEOC. Drafted administrative memoranda and motions in Title VII cases.

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta, Georgia

Fall 2009

Intern. Drafted proposed orders in numerous cases, including a mortgage fraud case and a Clean Water Act suit.

Holland & Knight, LLP, Atlanta, Georgia

Summer 2009

Summer Associate. Drafted motions in limine for an employment discrimination suit, among other projects.

Experience Prior to Law School: Worked as a university instructor of English in Guanajuato, Mexico; a private investigator specializing in fraud; a cook in a high-volume restaurant; and a cook and server at Waffle House.

EDUCATION

Emory University School of Law, Atlanta, Georgia

J.D., *cum laude*, May 2010

G.P.A.: 3.71 (top 6%)

Honors: Order of the Coif

Labor Award of the State Bar of Georgia

Activities: *Emory Law Journal*, Managing Editor

Dean's Teaching Fellow (teaching fellowship awarded to four third-year students)

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee

B.A., *magna cum laude*, English Literature, December 2004 (awarded membership in Phi Beta Kappa Society)

PRO BONO SERVICE

Catholic Charities of East Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee

April 2016 – present

Represent non-citizens in humanitarian and family-based immigration cases, including marriage petitions, naturalization applications, and visa petitions for victims of domestic abuse, human trafficking, and other

crimes. Frequently participate in free clinics that offer screening to noncitizens to identify potential immigration benefits.

Community Legal Center, Memphis, Tennessee

January 2017 – present

Collaborate with attorneys in Memphis in the representation of unaccompanied minors in deportation proceedings.

Volunteer Immigrant Defense Advocates, Memphis, Tennessee

June 2017 – present

Collaborate with attorneys in Knoxville in the representation of unaccompanied minors in deportation proceedings.

Knoxville Bar Association, Access to Justice Committee

March 2017 – present

Serve as Chair of the Access to Justice Subcommittee on Immigration.

Recognized by the Tennessee Supreme Court as a Tennessee Attorney for Justice in 2016 and 2017

PUBLICATIONS

Damn the Torpedoes! President Trump Goes Full Speed Ahead with His Immigration Agenda, DICTA, May 2017, at 16.
Supreme Court Reviews Claim by Tennessee Resident Who Pled Guilty Based on Bad Immigration Advice, DICTA, April 2017, at 11.

Tennessee's Test for Lesser Included Offenses Continues to Evolve, DICTA, April 2017, at 11.

Wartime Quarters with and without Legislative Authorization, 82 Tenn. L. Rev. 567 (2015).

A Tale of Two Ironies: In Defense of Tort, 25 Pac. McGeorge Global Bus. & Dev. L.J. (2012).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Licensed to practice in Tennessee (active) and Georgia (inactive)

Fluent in Spanish