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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Texas A&M University School of Law

Professor of Law

Fall 2017 - Present

Associate Professor of Law

Fall 2013 - Summer 2017

Courses

Civil Procedure; Complex Litigation; Legal Analysis, Research, and Writing I & II; LARW III: Litigation Drafting; Art of Lawyering

Texas Wesleyan University School of Law

Associate Professor of Law

Fall 2011 - Summer 2013

Professor of Legal Writing

Fall 2009 - Spring 2011

Visiting Professor of Legal Writing

Fall 2007 – Spring 2009

Legal Writing Specialist and Adjunct Professor

Spring 2006 - Spring 2007

Solo Law Practice

2005 - 2007

Fulbright & Jaworski, L.L.P (Norton, Rose, Fulbright) Austin, Texas

1998 – 2001 Associate – Litigation and Appellate Sections

Howrey & Simon, LLP, Washington, D.C.

1996 – 1998 Associate – Insurance Coverage and Products Liability Sections

TEACHING AWARDS

The Association of Former Students of Texas A&M University Distinguished Achievement Award College Level (Academic Year 2022 – 2023)

Legal Writing Professor of the Year (2014)

SCHOLARSHIP

Averting Plausibility Pleading's Threats to Novel FHA Legal Claims, 109 Iowa L. Rev. 1611 (2024)

To Remove or Not to Remove—Is that the Question in 1933 Act Securities Cases?, 73 Baylor L. Rev. 596 (2021)

The Class Action Fairness Act of 2005, Chapter 11, A PRACTITIONER'S GUIDE TO CLASS ACTIONS (Marcy Hogan Greer ed., ABA Book Publishing) (3d ed. 2021)

Righting the Ship: What Courts are still Getting Wrong about Electronic Discovery, 72 S.M.U. L. Rev. 785 (2019)

Dueling Grants: Reimagining CAFA's Jurisdictional Provisions, 33 Ga. St. U. L. Rev. 723 (2017)

Improving Predictability and Consistency in Class Action Tolling, 23 Geo. Mason L. Rev. 339 (2016) (featured article) (cited by the United States Supreme Court in China Agritech, Inc. v. Resh, 138 S. Ct. 1800, 1807, n. 2 (2018))

It's Not Over 'til It's Over: Mandating Federal Pretrial Jurisdiction and Oversight in Mass Torts, 79 Mo. L. Rev. 27 (2014)

The Class Action Fairness Act of 2005, Chapter 11, A PRACTITIONER'S GUIDE TO CLASS ACTIONS (Marcy Hogan Greer ed., ABA Book Publishing) (2d ed. 2017)

Modern Notice Through the Lens of Eisen and Mullane, 17 Class Action Litigation Report 1077, (October 14, 2016) (Bloomberg BNA) (co-authored with Jeanne Finnegan)

Beyond Rule 23: Standing Challenges to Class Actions, included in the written materials for the ABA-sponsored program, "ABA Class Action Litigation in America, A National Symposium," New Orleans, Louisiana (March 2016)

WORKS-IN-PROGRESS

Plaintiff's Personal Jurisdiction Challenges in Multidistrict Litigation

Property Rights of Partners in Nontraditional Partnerships

Preserving Large Patent Awards Using Litigation Risk Insurance

PRESENTATIONS

Women in Legal Education, Women's Work: Addressing the Obligations of Female Law Faculty, 2024 SEALS Annual Conference (Panelist) (July 2024)

My AI Co-Author: Did the Bot Plagiarize, 2024 SEALS Annual Conference (Panelist) (July 2024)

Lessons from Teaching Legal Writing to Apply in Doctrinal Courses, Summer Speed Share Series, AALS Balance Section (July 2024) (via Zoom)

Plaintiff's Personal Jurisdiction Challenges in MDLs, Third Annual Workshop for Asian American Pacific Islander and Middle Eastern and North African Women in the Legal Academy, CUNY School of Law (October 2023)

Experiences as an Asian American Woman in Law, AAPI Seminar Series, The College of Wooster (October 2022) (with Huyen Pham) (via Zoom)

Law Student Academic Success & Launching Your Career, Panelist, Second Annual Workshop for Women in the Legal Academy, U.C. Davis School of Law (September 2022)

Interpreting Plausibility Pleading to Prevent Unsupported Changes to Substantive Law under the Fair Housing Act, AAPI—MENA Women in the Legal Academy Workshop, U.C. Davis School of Law (September 2022)

Plausibility Pleading in Tenant-on-Tenant Harassment Claims Under the Fair Housing Act, SEALS Conference, Works-in-Progress Series, Civil Procedure (August 2022) (with Aric Short)

Large Patent Awards and Judgment Preservation Insurance, 2022 SEALS Annual Conference, Works-in-Progress Series, Property (August 2022) (with Saurabh Vishnubhakat)

Plausibility Pleading in Housing Discrimination Cases, Texas A&M Law School Scholarship Retreat (December 2021) (via Zoom)

CAFA Removal in 1933 Act Cases, Inaugural Workshop for Asian American Pacific Islander Women in the Legal Academy (August 2021) (via Zoom)

Does CAFA Authorize Removal of Cases in Contradiction of the Securities Act of 1933's Removal Prohibition?, Texas A&M—LSU Scholar Exchange Series and Texas A&M Faculty Workshop (January 2021) (both via Zoom)

Tips for Effective Writing and Speaking, Cuidado Casero Foundation Passport to Success Leadership Conference, Fort Worth, Texas (March 2019)

Problems with Spoliation of Electronic Information and the Application of Amended Rule 37(e), Central States Law Schools Conference, Texas A&M University School of Law (October 2018)

Learning to Write—Writing to Win, Cuidado Casero Foundation Passport to Success Leadership Conference, Fort Worth, Texas (January 2018)

Dueling Grants: Continuing Jurisdiction under CAFA, Texas Legal Scholars Conference, Southern Methodist University School of Law (August 2016)

Insiders Tips and Stories from the Trenches, 17th LWI Biennial Conference, Legal Writing Institute, Portland, Oregon (July 2016)

Reimagining CAFA's Jurisdictional Provisions, 2016 Conference of Asian Pacific American Law Faculty: Asian Pacific Americans: Unity & Diversity, UC Davis School of Law (April 2016)

Beyond Rule 23 Challenges to Class Actions, ABA Class Action Litigation in America, A National Symposium, New Orleans, Louisiana (March 2016) (invited speaker)

CAFA Continuing Jurisdiction, Gonzaga University School of Law, Faculty Colloquium Series (February 2016)

Minimal Diversity/Subject Matter Jurisdiction under CAFA, Central States Law Schools Association 2015 Annual Scholarship Conference, University of Toledo College of Law (October 2015)

Increasing Predictability and Consistency in Class Action Tolling, Texas Legal Scholars Workshop, University of Houston School of Law (August 2015)

A Call for Cross-Jurisdictional Tolling, 2015 SEALS Annual Conference, New Scholars Program (July 2015)

American Pipe Tolling: Assessing Outer Limits and Avoiding Bright Lines, ASU Legal Scholars Conference, Arizona State University, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law (March 2015)

Class Action Tolling Issues, Texas A&M University School of Law, Faculty Colloquium Series (February 2015)

Hot Topics in Legal Writing Curricular Development, Legal Writing Institute One-Day Workshop, University of Connecticut School of Law (December 2014)

Cross-Jurisdictional Tolling, Central State Law Schools Association Annual Scholarship Conference, Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center (October 2014)

How Expanded Pretrial Consolidation can Discourage Duplicative Litigation and Facilitate Global Settlements in Mass Torts, Southern University Law Center, South Central Association of Law Schools Faculty Exchange Program (March 2014)

Legal Writing Concepts and Issues, Continuing Legal Education, Texas State Bar Association and Texas A&M University School of Law Alumni Program (November 2013)

Proper Citations in Scholarly Works, Texas A&M University Law Review (August 2013 and 2014)

Expressly Authorizing Injunctions under the Multidistrict Litigation Statute, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law, Faculty Colloquium Series (March 2012)

Texas Wesleyan Law Review Energy Symposium, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law, Panel Moderator (March 2012)

Anti-Injunction Act and Injunctions under the Multidistrict Litigation Statute, Texas Wesleyan School of Law, Junior Faculty Workshop Series (February 2012)

Grading Papers and Conducting Student Conferences, Legal Writing Institute One-Day Workshop, Tulsa University School of Law (December 2011)

Reading and Writing Workshop/Road to Law School, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law & Council on Legal Educational, Office of Admissions (September 2010, 2011, and 2012)

Case Law Updates, Travis County Bar Association, Appellate Law Section Luncheons (periodically 1998 – 2001)

Texas Summary Judgment Practice, Continuing Legal Education, Texas State Bar Association & Travis County Bar Association (1999)

PRESS

"To Remove or Not to Remove—Is that the Question in 1933 Act Securities Cases?," Columbia Law School Blue Sky Blog (March 25, 2022) (invited post excerpting article published in Baylor Law Review)

"Guide to No Fault Insurance," Wallethub (Feb. 11, 2022) (invited contribution to the "Ask the Experts" section)

"San Antonio Consumers Angry, Confused Over Equifax Data Breach," San Antonio Express-News (Sept. 20, 2017) (quoted in article written by Samantha Ehlinger)

"Did the 8th Cir. Create Yet Another Class Member Test?" Bloomberg BNA Class Action Litigation Report, (May 9, 2016) (quoted in article written by Perry Cooper)

LAW SCHOOL & UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2023-2024	Promotion and Tenure Advisory Committee Academic Standards Committee Tenure Committee Honor Council
2022-2023	Peer Review Committee Tenure Committee
2021-2022	Curriculum Committee Student Code of Conduct Panel Tenure Committee
2020-2021	Promotion and Tenure Advisory Committee Tenure Committee
2019-2020	Chair, Academic Standards Committee Promotion and Tenure Advisory Committee Tenure Committee
2018-2019	Academic Standards Committee Faculty Governance Committee Honor Council Tenure Committee Association of Former Students Distinguished Achievement Awards, Research Subcommittee

2017-2018	Chair, Adjunct Professor Committee Faculty Governance Committee Strategic Planning Working Group Academic Support, Bar Passage, and Outcome Assessment Committee Honor Council
2016-2017	Faculty Governance Committee Advocacy Programs Oversight Committee Honor Council Association of Former Students Distinguished Achievement Awards, Research Subcommittee
2015-2016	Faculty Development Committee Advocacy Programs Oversight Committee Honor Council Ad-Hoc Committee on 1L Local Internship Placements Prepared Civil Procedure Video for Website Committee
2014-2015	Faculty Appointments Committee Honor Council Coordinator, Order of the Scribes Awards
2013 - 2014	Faculty Appointments Committee Future of Legal Education Committee Honor Council Coordinator, Order of the Scribes Awards
2012 - 2013	Faculty Appointments Committee Library Committee Ad Hoc Committee to Replace Outgoing Director, Dee J. Kelly Law Library Coordinator, Order of the Scribes Awards
2011 - 2012	Faculty Appointments Committee Library Committee Coordinator, Order of the Scribes Awards
2010 - 2011	Curriculum Committee Sub-Committee on Designing Your Course of Study Library Committee Ad Hoc Committee to Replace Assistant Dean of Admissions Coordinator, Order of the Scribes Awards
2009 – 2010	Academic Standards Committee Library Committee
2008 - 2009	Curriculum Committee Library Committee

OTHER SERVICE

Third Annual Workshop for Asian Pacific Islander and Middle Eastern and North African Women in the Legal Academy, CUNY School of Law

Co-Chair, Planning Committee (2023)

Second Annual Workshop for Asian Pacific Islander and Middle Eastern and North African Women in the Legal Academy, UC Davis Law School

Member, Planning Committee (2022)

American Bar Association

Member, Editorial Board, A PRACTITIONER'S GUIDE TO CLASS ACTIONS (2d ed. 2017 & 3d ed. 2021)

Tarrant County

Volunteer Deputy Registrar (2020)

The Sedona Conference

Member, Working Group One (2018 – 2020)

Texas Bar Association

Member, State Bar of Texas Advanced Appellate Course Planning Committee (2019)

Cuidado Casero Foundation

Invited Speaker, Passport to Success Leadership Conferences (March 2019 and January 2018)

Legal Writing Institute

Member (2007 - Present)

Member, Professional Development Committee (2014 – 2016 term)

Director, One-Day Workshop, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law (2012)

Planned Parenthood

Member, Host Committee, Cocktails for a Cause (2015)

American Bar Association Section of International Law

Deputy Editor, International Law Year in Review (2014)

American Bar Association

Member, Standards and Program Structures Committee (2010 – 2012)

Tarrant County Bar Association

Assistant Editor, Tarrant County Bar Bulletin (2009 – 2012)

Wolters Kluwer, Law & Business

Reviewer, Writing for Litigation, Kamela Bridges & Wayne Schiess (2011)

Guardianship Services, Inc.

Volunteer (2005 –2007)

American Red Cross

Disaster Relief Volunteer (2005)

EDUCATION

The University of Texas School of Law

- Juris Doctor
- Texas Journal of Women & Law, editorial board
- Endowed Presidential Scholarship Recipient

The University of Texas at Arlington

- Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, cum laude
- Member Alpha Chi (interdisciplinary honor society)
- Member Psi Chi (psychology honor society)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Legal Writing Institute
- Association of Legal Writing Directors
- American Bar Association
- American Bar Association Section on Tort, Trial, and Insurance Practice
- American Bar Association Section on International Law
- Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States
- Texas Bar Association
- Tarrant County Bar Association

ADMISSIONS

(some inactive)

- Texas state courts
- United States Supreme Court
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- United States District Court for the Western District of Texas
- District of Columbia