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Professional Experience

Director of Faculty & Access Services and Lecturer in Law, Washington University in St. Louis School of Law, September 2024-Present

- Oversees the library's Faculty Services program.
- Teaches Legal Research Methodologies, a mandatory, credit-bearing legal research course taught in the School of Law's first-year curriculum.
- Provides comprehensive reference services to the University of Illinois community, as well as the public, including one-on-one instruction in the use of Westlaw Precision, HeinOnline, Lexis+, Nexis Uni, Bloomberg Law, ProQuest Congressional and other electronic and print resources.

Access & Operations Librarian; Teaching Assistant Professor, Law Library, Albert E. Jenner, Jr. Law Library, University of Illinois College of Law, June 2022-September 2024

- Manages the Jenner Law Library's circulation department, including supervising civil service staff and twelve undergraduate/graduate student hourly employees.
- Taught LAW 627: Legal Research, a mandatory, credit-bearing legal research course in the College of Law's first year curriculum.
- Taught LAW 792-A: Advanced Legal Research Illinois, an elective, credit-bearing legal research course offered to students in their second and third years at the College of Law.
- Taught LAW 792-PP: Advanced Legal Research, an elective, credit-bearing legal research course offered to students in their second and third years at the College of Law.
- Served as embedded librarian/liaison to the Immigration Law Clinic and to LAW 792: Empirical Legal Studies.
- Provided comprehensive reference services to the University of Illinois community, as well as the public, including one-on-one instruction in the use of Westlaw Precision, HeinOnline, Lexis+, Nexis Uni, Bloomberg Law, ProQuest Congressional and other electronic and print resources.

- Assisted law school faculty with written scholarship, including analyzing citations and conducting substantive legal research in various areas of law including, but not limited to, employment law, civil rights law, and higher education law.
- Acted as Federal Depository Library Program Coordinator for the Albert E. Jenner Memorial Library.
- Coordinated and compiled library data responsive to the annual surveys conducted U.S. News and World Reports, the Association of Research Libraries, and the Association of College & Research Libraries.

Reference Librarian and Lecturer, The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, June 2019-May 2022

- Provided comprehensive reference services to the Moritz College of Law community, The Ohio State University community, and the public.
- Taught Legal Analysis and Writing I (predictive writing) and II (persuasive writing), credit-bearing legal research and writing courses in the first-year curriculum.
- Conducted research on behalf of faculty members in a wide range of disciplines including legal ethics, administrative law, civil procedure, intellectual property, consumer fraud, and regulatory compliance.
- Acted as Reference Coordinator for the Spring 2020 and Summer 2021 semesters. As
 reference coordinator was responsible for scheduling and managing the reference
 desk calendar, including scheduling the shifts for five reference librarians, as well as
 the library's student research assistants.
- Assisted law school faculty with written scholarship, including analyzing citations and providing permanent links for cited websites via perma.cc.
- Acted as library liaison to the Ohio State Technology Law Journal and provided research and reference services to journal members as needed.
- Presented research and reference instructional sessions to various College groups, including at first-year orientation, law journal orientation, and to law school clinics.
- Created and managed LibGuides for courses, including the Immigration Law Clinic.

Attorney, Quinn, Johnston, Henderson, Pretorius, and Cerulo, Springfield, IL., February 2009-June 2018

- Managed complex civil litigation matters, in both state and federal court, from inception through resolution.
- Tried medical malpractice, long-term care, property damage, and general liability cases to verdict.
- Engaged in extensive motion practice, including researching, drafting, and arguing dispositive motions in diverse areas of law, including medical malpractice defense, long-term care liability defense, insurance coverage, civil rights defense, governmental tort claims, and general liability claims.
- Oversaw all aspects of written discovery, including drafting and responding to interrogatories, requests for production, and requests to admit.
- Negotiated favorable settlements for clients through direct negotiations with opposing counsel, in formal mediation proceedings, and in settlement conferences with presiding judges.
- Conducted and defended hundreds of depositions, including those of parties, retained and independent experts, and other key witnesses.
- Drafted appellate briefs for cases pending in the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Districts of the Illinois Appellate Court, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.
- Argued appeals before the Fourth and Fifth Districts of the Illinois Appellate Court, as well as before the Illinois Workers Compensation Commission.

Education

The Ohio State University, John Glenn College of Public Affairs, Columbus, Ohio Master of Public Administration and Leadership, 2022

University of Illinois School of Information Sciences, Champaign, Illinois
Master of Science in Library and Information Science, 2019

University of Illinois College of Law, Champaign, Illinois Juris Doctor, cum laude, 2008

Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois

Bachelor of Arts, History, 2005

Internships and Assistantships

- Graduate Assistant, University of Illinois College of Law, Albert E. Jenner, Jr. Memorial Law Library, June 2018-May 2019
- Cataloging Intern, Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, Springfield, Illinois, Fall 2018.

University Service

- University of Illinois Senate, Senator, 2024-2026
- University of Illinois Senate Council on Student Conduct Expectations and Accountability, 2023-present
- University of Illinois College of Law, Online Programs Committee, 2023-2024
- University of Illinois College of Law, Awards Committee, 2022-2023
- Moritz College of Law, Academic Affairs Committee, 2020-2022
- Moritz College of Law, Graduate Services Committee, 2019-2020

Professional Affiliations

- American Association of Law Libraries (2019-present)
- Midwest Association of Law Libraries (2022-present)
 - o MALL Membership Committee (2023-present)
- Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries (2019-2022)
 - ORALL Nominations Committee (2019-2020)
 - o ORALL Diversity and Inclusion Committee (2021-2022)
 - o ORALL Internet and Social Media Committee (2021-2022)
 - o ORALL Education Committee (2022-2022
 - o ORALL Membership Committee (2022-2022)
- Illinois State Bar Association (2009-2018, 2022-present)

Bar Admissions

- Illinois
- Missouri (inactive status)
- United States District Courts for the Southern and Central Districts of Illinois
- United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

Awards and Recognition

- Fall 2022 and Fall 2023, ICES List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Their Students, LAW 627
- Spring 2023, ICES List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Their Students, LAW 792-A
- Designated a Rising Star by Super Lawyers: 2014-2018
- Designated an Emerging Lawyer by Leading Lawyers: 2015-2018