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ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE: 2005-Present

University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law

Noel M. Ferris Professor of Trial Skills: Co-Director of Center for Advocacy and Dispute Resolution; Director of McGeorge Mock Trial Program

Courses taught over past 17 years:

Criminal Law,
Trial Advocacy
Advanced Trial Advocacy,
LLM Seminar in Experiential Learning
Professor of Externship Supervisor
Principles of Legal Analysis
The Legal Profession
Criminal Pretrial Litigation

Courses co-created and taught:

Mock Trial Evidence Year-long Federal Defender Clinic and Seminar The Art of Plea Bargaining

Other Academic Experiences from 2005-2021:

International LLM Teaching: Co-created and taught Chinese and Ukrainian graduate students enrolled in Pacific McGeorge LLM in Advocacy (2007–12)

Professor of Externship Training for students in prosecutor and defender externships (2009-2010)

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Faculty Participant in USAID Rule of Law Project in China and at McGeorge summer: Taught Chinese law professors in Beijing, Guangzhou and Hangzhou how to teach and use experiential legal education in their law school curricula (2008, 2009, 2011, Winter 2012)

Faculty in USRF (United States Russia Foundation) three-year experiential teaching program at the Russian Foreign Trade Academy in Moscow; (2015-2018)

Co-created and taught a course in Moscow called International Arbitration" with USRF and American colleagues (Summer 2018)

Faculty in New Orleans Gideon Katrina Project, December. Worked with team of Pacific McGeorge law students and New Orleans Public Defender's office representing indigent defendants who were arrested and jailed pre-Hurricane Katrina. (2006)

Directed Research Professor for numerous students completing articles for academic credit

Taught students at Sacramento High School Trial Advocacy skills culminating in jury trial as part of Street Law Course (2008-2012)

Taught summer middle-school course in Criminal Law and Trial Advocacy as part of Academic Talent Search on the Sacramento State Campus

SELECTED SERVICE POSITIONS: 2005-Present

Co-Director of the Center for Advocacy and Dispute Resolution (2016-2022)

Mock Trial Director (2006-2022)

Chair of the McGeorge Diversity Affairs Committee (2014–2019)

Member of Dean Search Committees for current and previous McGeorge Law School Deans Member of Pacific Legal Scholars Board: also presented and worked with undergraduate students in program (2015-2018)

Member of Re-envisioning Committee (2017)

Chair of the Faculty Advisory Committee (FAC) (2020-21)

Member of FAC three other years

Chair/Member of Honors and Awards (2007-2022)

Faculty Advisor for Criminal Law Society (2007-2022)

Faculty Advisor for Trial Advocacy Association (2007-2022)

Faculty Advisor for Public Legal Services Society (2019)

Faculty Interviewer for candidates for Academic Honors Program (2019-2021)

Committee Member on Grading and Advancement (2016-2021)

Member of Recruitment Committee (2021-22)

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Assisted Professor Leach with running the National Ethics Trial Competition and co-creating several case files for competitions (2010-2020)

SELECTED PANELS, TRAININGS AND PRESENTATIONS

Panelist for *Instituto de Estudios Comparados en Ciencias Penales y Sociales* (INECIP) presenting on "Rules of Evidence: In Honor of Óscar Pandolfi"

Created and participated in training with Emeritus Professor of Law Tom Gerahty for the Professional Skills Instruction Materials Consortium (PSIM)in Tokyo, Japan; taught Japanese law professors and practitioners client counseling experiential teaching methods (2019)

Created Symposium and moderated panel on McGeorge campus entitled "From Defender to Bench" (2017)

Created and moderated panel on McGeorge Campus entitled "The American Jury 2018-Issues and Directions" as part of Lou Ashe Jurist in Residence Event

Public Defender Trainer in Santiago, Chile: Created teaching materials for and trained Public Defenders in interviewing and counseling skills in Santiago, Chile (2014)

Presented at United States Russia Foundation conference in Washington, DC (2017)

Presented at Prague International Conference as part of USRF Project on "Effective Practices" for Simulation-Based Courses"

Presented on Cultural Competency Panel at the University of St. Thomas Holloran Center for Ethical Leadership in the Professions (2018)

Co-chaired and presented at the Association of American Law School's (AALSConference advocacy breakfast on the topic of "Bringing the Classroom into the Competitions."

Co-created, ran and moderated panels at the Stetson Law Regional Educating Advocacy Teachers (EATS) at Loyola Law School entitled "Teaching Humanity in Courtrooms, Classrooms, and competitions: (2018)

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Presented on various trial advocacy topics at EATS National Conferences at Stetson Law School (2006-2019)

Presented on international panels in Symposia in major Chinese Cities on experiential teaching and advocacy methods and training law professors how to teach this subject to their students (2010-2014)

Panelist presenting on Restorative Justice Model in Chilean Criminal Justice System at International forum honoring Professor Linda Carter (2016)

Panelist at International Conference on Human Rights in Professor Linda Carter's honor on "Restorative Justice Criminal Law Model In Chile" (2017)

Anthony Kennedy Inn of Court member and master: presented as part of teams on ethics, professionalism and civility (2008-2019)

Guest Lecturer:

Columbia Law School: Discussion of Federal Criminal Practice);

New York Law School: Federal Sentencing Guidelines: challenges in their application

Fordham Law School: various presentations on Trial Advocacy

NYU: Federal Criminal Practice

Philadelphia Public Defenders: Criminal Pretrial Practice

Federal Defender Organization National Conference: Federal Criminal Practice

University of Parma, Italy: American Criminal Justice System

New York Legal Aid Society: State Criminal Practice Court Television Network: Guest Commentator 1995-1999

OTHER ACADEMIC/TEACHING EXPERIENCE-

1983-2007

Temple University Beasley School of Law

2002-2005

Associate Professor of Law and Director of Trial Advocacy Programs

Wrote materials for and oversaw 14 advocacy skills classes.

Presented lectures to 168 students on all areas of trial advocacy.

Trained adjunct faculty and prepared faculty and student teaching memoranda.

Trained 14 teaching assistants/conducted weekly meetings.

Coached National Trial Teams (2002–2005)

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Team Leader, Temple University/China Master of Laws Program Summer 2003-4: taught trial advocacy to Chinese students as part of USAID collaborative program with Tsinghua University, the Supreme People's Court of China, and the National Judicial College of China.

King Hall, UC Davis Law School

Spring 2007

Visiting Professor

Directed the semester-long Trial Advocacy Program

Fordham University School of Law

1993-2002

Adjunct Professor

Trial Advocacy (nine years)

Foundation Skills (Fall 1999)

Taught semester-long course in Advanced Advocacy Techniques and coached newly formed Mock Trial team

New York State Defenders Institute Trial Institute

1988-2000

Faculty member

New York State Defenders Trial Institute (June 1998-2004): Taught junior public defenders trial advocacy and client-centered representation at intensive trial training program in Troy, New York.

Instructor for 12 years working with new public defender and indigent defense conflict attorneys

National Institute for Trial Advocacy (1990–present):

Team Leader at Western Regional Trial Program (2010 to present)

Program Director and faculty member teaching trial advocacy and deposition skills:

law firms, Public Interest programs and public agencies around the country

NITA faculty member in Belfast, Northern Ireland training Barristers and Solicitors (2010)

Program Director, Trial and Deposition programs for Legal Aid Association of California (four time)s

Assistant Team Leader- National Session in Louisville, Colorado (July 2004, 2006)

Assistant Team Leader-National Session in Louisville, Colorado (2000)

Bronx Community Defenders- March, 2001: taught public defenders trial advocacy in intensive trial training course.

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OTHER LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Federal Defender Division, Legal Aid Society

Associate Attorney

1987–1991, 1993–2002

As senior staff attorney tried 25 federal jury trials to verdict.

Conducted hundreds of pretrial and presentencing hearings.

Trained new attorneys in in-house classes and as "second-seat" at trial.

Vladick, Waldman, Elias and Engelhard, P.C.

Litigation Associate

1991-1993

Worked on ADEA, ADA, Title VII litigation.

Assisted and second-chaired ADEA trial to plaintiff's verdict in Southern District of New York.

New York Legal Aid Society, Criminal Division

Staff Attorney 1983–87

Tried 20 jury trials to verdict.

Trained new attorneys.

Conducted numerous pretrial and presentencing hearings.

EDUCATION

Boston University School of Law, J.D. 1983

Editor: Legislative Services

University of Rochester, B.A. magna cum laude, 1978

PUBLICATIONS

"The Crime Fraud Exception to the Attorney Client Privilege": Temple Law Review, 82 Temple 149 (2009)

"Chinese Homicide Law, Irrationality and Incremental Change": Temple International and Comparative Law Journal (co-authored with Professor Michael Vitiello): 27 Temp. Int'l & Comp. L.J. 43 (2013)

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"Teaching the Power of Empathy in Domestic and Transnational Experiential Public Defender Courses, 32 Buff. Pub. Int. L.J. 1 (2014

Peters v. Denvers NITA case file used at National Ethics Trial Competition

Two works in progress: "Plea Bargaining and Discovery: "Affirmative Defenses and Convicting the Innocent"

"Bringing the CDAA into the Progressive 21st Century: The Radical Need for Criminal Justice Reform"

HONORS

Professor of the Year: Day and Evening Division, 2005-6,

Professor of the Year: Evening Division: 2011-12 Professor of the Year: Evening Division: 2016-17 Professor the Year: Evening Division: 2019-20

Received University Outstanding Student Organization Advisor Award: 2015

Selected as one of 26 law professors featured in book: "What the Best Law Teachers Do"

(Hess, Schwartz and Sparrow: Harvard University Press, 2013.)