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TEACHING

Predatory Lending Clinic
Community Development Clinic

Mass Media Law and Policy
Law Practice Management

PRESENT EMPLOYMENT

SEATTLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF LAW (TENURED)

July 2002-present

Courses taught:

Predatory Lending Clinic, 2003-04; 2004-05; 2006- present

Students provide pro bono representation of clients presenting issues involving consumer protection. Specifically, clients represented are victims of unfair lending practices which impact their home ownership (popularly referred to as predatory lending), automobile ownership, or are facing credit or debt issues affecting their economic security.

Media Law and Policy, Spring 2007-present

Survey course examining newspaper, broadcast, radio, cable television, telephony (including wireless), music, and movie media in the context of exploring the constitutional, statutory, common law, public and private regulation of media. Course also examined media and cultural representations along racial, gender, and sexual orientation lines, and wartime propaganda.

Law Practice Management, Spring 2006

Examined the practical, professional, legal, and ethical issues in creating and maintaining a small or solo law practice. Covered considerations important to starting a law business, such as the creation of a business plan, formation, finance, taxation, employees, insurance, effective law office management, technology, and attorney-client relationships. Students develop a comprehensive business plan for a small firm law practice.

Community Development and Entrepreneurship Clinic, 2005-2006

Law students and Business students will work in teams to provide representation of new and existing businesses in the Central District area. Choice of corporate form, contracts, tax and insurance, business planning, and marketing represent some of the needs clients will present.

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor, Case Western Reserve University School of Law, 1990
Master of Arts, Mass Communication (Law and Regulation), Purdue University, 1987
Bachelor of Science (B.S.), Mass Communication; and
Bachelor of Philosophy (Ph.B.), Interdisciplinary Studies, Miami University (Ohio), 1985

SCHOLARSHIP

Critical Error [in solicitation]

Rule 52(a) As An Ideological Weapon?, 34 Fla. State Univ. L. Rev. 1026 (2007)

A Thousand Humiliations: What Brown Could Not Do, 9 St. Mary's Law Rev. on Min. Issues 187 (Feb. 2007)

The H'aint In The (School) House: Brown v. Board of Education, Interest Convergence Re-contextualized, and Continuing the Struggle for Racial Justice, 43 Cal. Western L. Rev. 1 (Fall 2006)

All Facts Are Not Created Equal, 13 Temple Pol. & Civ. Rights L. Rev. 629 (2004)

WORKS-IN-PROGRESS

The Muslim Manchurian Candidate: Barack Obama, Rumors, and Quotidian Hermeneutics

Case Comment: Snyder v. Louisiana

History of Residential Segregation in Seattle

Report, The Role and Status of Clinical Legal Educators in The Academy (forthcoming May 2008, co-authored with members of Taskforce on Clinicians and the Academy, American Association of Law Schools, Section on Clinical Legal Education)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Preparing our Students to Practice in the Age of Electronically-Based Information
The Lawyer, November 2004

The Future Of Clinical Legal Education
The Lawyer, November 2004

The Undergraduate Major of Law Students and Its Relationship to Law School Performance, 69 U.Mo.K.C.L. Rev. 533 (2001) (with Mark Graham)

Disability Trusts and Medicaid, Ohio Probate Law Journal, September/October 1994
(with William J. Day)

A Proposal for a Global/Regional Direct Broadcast Satellite System, Communications and the Law, February 1988, pp. 41-56 (with James Hsuing)

SCHOLARLY COLLOQUIA

CIVIL PROCEDURE

Presenter, “All Facts are Not Created Equal”
Temple University, Philadelphia, November 2003
Symposium—Vision and Revision: Exploring the History, Evolution, and Future of the Fourteenth Amendment, Sponsored by Temple Political & Civil Rights Law Review

Presenter, “Discovery(ing) the 21st Century: E-vidence,”
Association of American Law Schools Clinical Legal Education Conference,
San Diego, May 2004

MEDIA AND POLICY

Presenter, “As Far As I Know”: Rumors, Quotidian Hermeneutics, and Associative Preferences in The Construction of Barack Obama, Symposium, Making History: Race, Gender And The Media In The 2008 Elections, St. John’s School Of Law, September 2008

Presenter, “As Far As I Know”: Rumors, Quotidian Hermeneutics, and Associative Preferences in The Construction of Barack Obama, Seattle University Alumni Program, New York, October 2008

Presenter, A History of Racial Stereotypes and Tropes in Popular Media, as part of my research as a Faculty Fellow, Center for the Study of Justice in Society, May 2007

EDUCATION AND DESEGREGATION

Coordinator, Symposium: Brown Undone? The Future of Integrated Primary and Secondary Education After PICS, February 8-9, 2008

Presenter, “Residential Segregation in Seattle”

Presenter, *Parents Involved in Community Schools v. Seattle School District and Meredith v. Jefferson County Board of Education*
Constitution Day, September 17th, 2008 Seattle University

Presenter, “Commemorating Brown/Celebrating Grutter and Lawrence”—Opening Remarks
Association of American Law Schools Clinical Legal Education Conference,

San Diego, May 2004

Presenter, “Distinguishing Racial Integration (*Brown*) From Affirmative Action (*Grutter*)” Symposium "From Brown to Grutter: Racial Integration and the Law in the Northwest," Sponsored By Seattle University Law Review and the Seattle Journal for Social Justice, Seattle, 2004

Presenter, “The H’aint In The (School) House: *Brown v. Board of Education*, Interest Convergence Re-contextualized, and Continuing the Struggle for Racial Justice,” Western Law Professors of Color Conference, California Western School of Law, March 2006

Presenter, *The Legacy of Brown v. Board of Education*, October 2005, Washburn University

TEACHING METHODS AND CLINICAL EDUCATION

Presenter, Teaching Social Justice, March, 2008

Presenter, The Critical Role of “Play” in Legal Scholarship and Teaching
(Open Source selection as proposed by Professor Marilyn Berger)
AALS Annual Meeting, Reassessing Our Role as Scholars and Educators in Light of Change, January 2nd-6th, 2008, New York

Presenter, Teaching Supervision Skills, AALS New Law Teachers Workshop, June 2006
(with Professor Susan Jones)

Presenter, “Paradigm Shift In Clinical Legal Education”
Second National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference,
The George Washington University Law School, October 2004

Presenter, “How Do We Teach?”
Association of American Law Schools, New Teacher Training
Washington, D.C., June 2004

NEWS COMMENTARY/TELEVISION INTERVIEWS

“Impact of Supreme Court’s. Seattle School District Decision”
June 28, 2007, Northwest Cable News

“Justice Sandra Day O’Conner Retires from the Supreme Court”
July 1, 2005, Northwest Cable News

“President Bush Introduces Judge Roberts as Candidate for Supreme Court”
July 19, 2005, Northwest Cable News

BAR ADMISSIONS

Washington State
Ohio (inactive)
Federal Court, W.D. Washington

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Bar Association
Association of American Law Schools Section on Clinical Legal Education
Clinical Legal Education Association
Loren Miller Bar Association
King County Bar Association
Washington State Bar Association
Washington State Minority and Justice Commission
Society of American Law Teachers

PAST EMPLOYMENT

SEATTLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, DIRECTOR, RONALD A. PETERSON LAW CLINIC

July 2002-June 2006

Managed day-to-day operations of office, and 6 full-time, visiting, and adjunct faculty. Responsible for strategic planning and annual reporting. and 50-60 attorneys per semester, with my own caseload. I endeavored to improve the Law Clinic as a Law Office and as an essential educational component of the Law School. Served as a liaison between the law clinic and the law school at large, the University, the legal community, and the public. Instrumental in developing Community Development and Entrepreneurship Clinic, and Predatory Lending Clinic.

CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW (Now CASE LAW)

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, MILTON A. KRAMER LAW CLINIC CENTER

January 1995-2002

Courses taught: Community Development Law Clinic (not-for-profit formation and organization), Civil Practice Clinic (predatory lending in mortgage and home refinance), Administrative Law Clinic (Social Security, Medicaid and Medicare), Mass Media Law and Policy seminar. In the course of my work expanded Law Clinic's representation to HIV/AIDS clients; co-founded community development law clinic; implemented ethnographic theory and studies as foundation for teaching lawyering skills and values; designed exercises to explore race and culture and their impact on client representation.

ASSISTANT DEAN FOR STUDENT SERVICES

July 1997 - May 2001

For four of my seven years at Case, I also served as Dean of Students simultaneously. In that role, my duties were: counseling; student organizations

and program oversight; faculty advisor program coordination; academic support; student program development (academic and social); disability accommodations; bar examination compliance; student discipline; advisor in adjunct faculty hiring; student recruitment; alumni relations; orientation and commencement coordination; student community service volunteer coordinator. Produce reports regarding: student service activities; budget projections; bar passage rate and law school performance correlations; first-year performance predictors and law school success.

Innovations: designed and implemented: law school's first ever programs on diversity and culture; Academic Enrichment Program; Bar Examination Workshop; Student Note program; developed and implemented policies on student event scheduling, e-mail communications; increased student opportunities for community service through forming law school partnerships with community organizations and institutions.

DIRECTOR, ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

August 1998 - May 2001

Designed, implemented and taught first-year course on law school skills. Topics include learning style, time and stress management, the Socratic method, briefing cases, synthesizing materials, statutory analysis, examination preparation and examination taking.

**APPELLATE ADVOCACY
ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR**

Fall 1993; Fall 1994

Instructed law students in appellate civil procedure, writing, argumentation, and critique.

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY PROSECUTORS OFFICE
ASSISTANT PROSECUTOR, CIVIL DIVISION**

Cleveland, Ohio
1994 - 1995

Represented and advised county agencies, townships, commissioners, and judges in state and federal courts regarding eminent domain, labor, human services and public benefits, mandamus actions, bankruptcy, and County Treasury investment program. Drafted court documents, memoranda, advisory letters; defended and took depositions, negotiated settlements, handled pretrials and trials.

**SQUIRE, SANDERS & DEMPSEY, L.L.P.,
ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY, LITIGATION DEPARTMENT,**

Cleveland, Ohio
1990-1993

Counseled on matters involving contract disputes, arbitration, property rights, torts, business, constitutional, and communications law litigation in federal and state courts. Drafted court documents, memoranda, advisory letters; assisted in trials; defended and conducted depositions, negotiated settlements, conducted pretrials and bench trials.

Notable cases as junior associate: *Brooks v. Geraldo Rivera, et. al.* (libel and defamation); *Reed v. Rhodes* (desegregation plan for Cleveland Public Schools).

PURDUE UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION

INSTRUCTOR

West Lafayette, Indiana
1985 - 1987

Persuasive speaking, argumentation, interpersonal communication, negotiation, and interviewing skills taught to undergraduate Honors and mainstream students.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Wisner Fellow, 2007

Dean's Award of Excellence, 2006

Administrator of the Year, 1999

Outstanding Educator, Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. (1999)

Outstanding Graduate, Warren Western Reserve High School (1999)

Who's Who in American Law (1994 ed.)

SERVICE

NATIONAL SERVICE

Through the American Bar Association

Site Team Member, ABA Accreditation Committee Site Visit

Duke University School of Law, October 2007

Faulkner University, Jones School of Law, October 2005

Cornell University, March 2004

Through the Association of American Law Schools

Co-Chair, Taskforce on the Future of Clinical Legal Education (part of the AALS Section on Clinical Legal Education)

Appointed January 2005-Present

Chair, Committee on Clinical Legal Education, AALS

Appointed October 2006- Present

Member, Planning Committee, January 2008 Clinical Section Program ("Teaching the Art of Listening")

Member, Planning Committee, 2004-05 for 2005 Clinical Conference

Author, Program for 2004 Clinical Conference, San Diego, "Back To Basics/Back To The Future" (a four-day conference examining the future of clinical legal education as impacted by globalization, specialization, expanding technology, interdisciplinary, multi-jurisdictional and multidisciplinary practices)

Chair, Clinical Section, 2003

Chair, Clinicians of Color, part of the Section on Clinical Legal Education (1998-2002)

Through Other Organizations

Clinical Legal Education Association

Member, Taskforce on Minorities in Clinical Legal Education, 2008

Member, Best Practices Implementation Committee—2005-present

Board Member, Clinical Legal Education Association, 2001-04

Researcher, co-author, Amicus brief on behalf of Clinical Legal Education Association in *Grutter v. Bollinger*

Society of American Law Teachers

Board Member, Society of American Law Teachers

Appointed January 2006-Present

Committee Member, Affirmative Action

Member, Advisory Board, The JD Project, 2007 (dedicated to preparing minority students for law school)

Invitee, Carnegie Foundation Report on the Future of Legal Education Conference, University of South Carolina School of Law, November 2007

National Black Law Students Association

Panelist, Law Careers for Minority Students, February 2005

Presentations

Promoting Diversity in Law Deanships, September 28-29th, Seattle University

Moderator, Best Practices and Reforming Legal Education, 2007

AALS Annual Meeting, Reassessing Our Role as Scholars and Educators in Light of Change, January 2nd-6th, 2008 New York

Discussant, Best Practices for the Recruitment of Minority Law Professors
(sponsored by the Committee on Recruitment and Retention of Minority Law Teachers Program)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Member, Engaging Our Diversity Task Force, December 2006-December 2007

Member, Division 1 Committee, 2007-08

Speaker, Community Conversations: A Renewed Legacy of Segregation, October 2007

Speaker, Academic Salon on Consumption and Poverty, Seattle University, February 2005, "Poverty and Alternative Financial Services"

Presenter and Co-coordinator, Tent City Homeless Initiative, February 2005

Offered legal counsel and advice sessions for Tent City residents on debt and credit issues

SEATTLE UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL SERVICE

Access to Justice Institute

Search Committee for AtJI Director, 2007

Presented independently, and coordinated student presentations at Community Legal Center on credit and debt issues, April 2004, October 2004, February 2005

Guest Facilitator, Broken Promises, January 2004

Academic Affairs

Co-developed 2-day Bar Examination preparation seminar for law students

Admissions

Attended Law School Forum on behalf of the Law School, Atlanta, October 2004

Advancement

Offered assistance and support for development through community networks, December 2004-present

Member, Alumni Steering Committee, appointed 2007

Appointments Committee, AY 2003-2004, 2004-2005

Curriculum Committee, AY

Dean of Students

Co-coordinated orientation programs on *Grutter v. Bollinger* and affirmative action, 2003; Same-Sex Marriage discussion, 2004

Journals and Law Review

Moderator, *Brown v. Board of Education* Symposium Panel

Presenter, *Brown v. Board of Education* Symposium Panel

Coordinated publication of Clinical Legal Education Symposium Papers in the Seattle Journal for Social Justice, Vol. 3, Issue 1 (2004) *Theory Meets Praxis: The Impact of Critical Legal Theory on Lawyering Strategies and Experiential Learning*

Law School Steering Committee, 2007

Member, helped research and draft Law School's Strategic Plan

Lectures

"To Kill A Mockingbird," "Do the Right Thing," Marilyn Berger's Film and Law class, February 2004, October 2004, February 2005, October 2006, October 2007

"Race and Law, Professor Tayyub Mahmud's Race and Law class, February, March 2004

"Race and Crime", Dr. Ed Reed's Criminal Justice class, November 2003

Moot Court Competition, Judge (2005)

Student Organizations

Black Law Students Association co-advisor, 2003-04

Black Law Students Association and Federalist Society, February 2004

Moderator, Reparations Debate

OUTLAWS, 2004

Assisted in developing by-laws

Student Bar Association, February 2005
Presenter, Difficult Discussion Series, "Same Sex Marriage"
Women's Law Caucus, March 2005
Opening Remarks, Moderator, HIV/AIDS in the Seattle Community
Symposium Coordinator and Speaker, Brown Undone? The Future of Integrated
Primary and Secondary Education After PICS, February 2008

LOCAL COMMUNITY SERVICE

Washington State Minority and Justice Commission, Board Member, 2006-Present
Justice Works

Secured 501(c)(3) status for prisoner re-entry organization, 2003-04

King County Bar Association

Accepted predatory lending cases as referral resource (Recognition for Pro Bono Service 2004, 2005)

Presented at three CLE programs, March 2004, March 2005, June 2006

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

"Financial Literacy for Parents and Teens"
Youth and The Law Forum, April 2005

"Credit and Debt Issues"
Tent City Project, February 2005

"Difficult Discussions: Same Sex Marriage"
Seattle University School of Law, February 2005

"Credit and Debt Issues"
Access to Justice Institute, Community Center, March 2005, October 2004, April 2004

"Post-Graduate Careers For Law Students"
National Black Law Students Association Annual Convention, Seattle, February 2005

"Predatory Mortgage Lending Practices"
Urban League, April 2004

"Predatory Mortgage Lending Practices"
Fremont Public Assistance (now Solid Ground) (counselor education program on residential lending, credit, and debt issues)

CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION PRESENTATIONS

"Valuing, Negotiating, and Settling a Mortgage Lending Case," KCBA, March 2008

“Subpoenas—Washington Rules and Practices,”
WSBA, Seattle, April 2007

“Credit Reporting and Credit Discrimination”
King County Bar Association, Seattle, June 2006

“Ethical and Practical Considerations of Working with Diverse Clients”
King County Bar Association, Seattle, March 2005

“Why Diversity Matters: Perspectives from a Teacher/Practitioner”
King County Bar Association, Seattle, March 2004