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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

UIC Law School (formerly John Marshall Law School)

Associate Professor of Law, August 2009-present; tenured, June 2011.

Previously: Assistant Professor of Law, Aug. 2005-July 2009; Adjunct Professor, Aug. 2001-July 2005.

Honors: UIC Award for Excellence in Teaching (2022)

(Each year UIC recognizes no more than five faculty colleagues across the University for exceptional teaching, effectiveness in curriculum and instructional material development, and for the impact their research and service activities have on the classroom.)

Lex Ancilla Justitiae Award (May 2022 and December 2023)

(Award given by the graduating class to a faculty member who most embodies the guiding principle of education that “law is the servant of justice.”)

Professor of the Year, small section, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Fall 2014.

Courses taught: Civil Procedure I and II, Torts, Seminar on Assisted Reproductive Technologies and the Law (developed this course) Conflicts of Law, Lawyering Skills I, II, and III
Expert Learning (developed course and book for course); Public International Law, Jurisdiction and Remedies (in the SCALES program; developed this course) Legal Writing (in the SCALES program; co-developed this course) Introduction to Legal Analysis (for M.S./Information Technology; co-taught).

Committee work: Chair, Faculty Recruiting Committee; Secretary, Executive Committee; Member of most other committees: Curriculum, Admissions, Library, etc.

Other service: Advisor to the Student Bar Association; advisor to the Women’s Law Caucus; mentor to law review members; frequent panelist at JMLS programs for admitted students and at orientation programs; frequent presenter on exam preparation and course reviews.

Associate Dean for Part-Time Programs, August 2023-present

Responsibilities: Develop curriculum and course materials for evening program; advise students; develop pipeline admissions programs; report to Dean on part-time student issues.

Fellow, UIC Honors College, August 2020-present

Responsibilities: Mentor and advise three students (AY 2020-2021) on courses and career plans; Faculty Judge, Honors College Research Symposium (Fall 2020).

Director, Summer Pre-Law Program for Undergraduates (PLAW), August 2019-June 2021

Responsibilities: Developed a program to introduce undergraduates to the study of law, with a focus on bringing in traditionally underrepresented groups into the legal profession.

Director, Expert Learning Program, August 2013- August 2016; January 2018-May 2018

Responsibilities: Program design and implementation of a comprehensive “introduction to legal education” program for all entering students; creating a syllabus; hiring, training, and mentoring adjunct faculty; reviewing classes taught; meeting with students; editing a course book; creating an extensive Teacher’s Manual for the course which includes exercises and grading rubrics.

Associate Director, Lawyering Skills Program, June 2002-August 2007

Interim Associate Director, Lawyering Skills Program, UIC LAW, August 2001-June 2002

Responsibilities: Hiring, training, supervising, and mentoring over sixty adjunct members; revising the Lawyering Skills curriculum; creating syllabi for new courses.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS (CONTINUED)

Chicago-Kent College of Law

Assistant Professor of Legal Research and Writing, August 1988 – July 2001

Visiting Assistant Professor of Law, August 1995 - July 1998

Honors: Nominated by students for Faculty Member of the Year, 1997.

Courses taught: Legal Research and Writing

International Law

Conflicts of Law

International Human Rights (Seminar)

Introduction to the American Legal System (foreign LL.M. students)

Committee Work: Committee on Academic Empowerment; Self-Study on LL.M. education

Other activities: International Moot Court Faculty Advisor; Interim Admissions Director for the LL.M. program in International Law; developed immigration/asylum law projects for students in conjunction with the Midwest Immigrant Rights Center.

Loyola University of Chicago School of Law

Adjunct Instructor of Legal Writing, August 1994 - May 1995

Course taught: Legal Writing and Research.

EDUCATION

University of Chicago Law School, Chicago, IL

Juris Doctor, June 1993

Activities: International Law Society (President); Model United Nations (Under Secretary General).

Research Assistant to Professor Cass Sunstein and in the Center for the Study of Constitutionalism in Eastern Europe:

Analyzed and wrote about new Eastern European constitutions.

Hague Academy of International Law, The Netherlands

Certificate of Attendance, August 1991

Received Ford Foundation Scholarship to attend summer session on Public International Law.

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Master of Arts with Honors in International Relations, June 1990

Honors Master's Thesis: *Slianie: Language Policy and Politics Under Khrushchev*.

Activities: International Relations Student Organization (Chairperson).

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Bachelor of Arts with University and Divisional Honors in Political Science, June 1990

Honors: University of Chicago Dean's List, 1986-87 and 1988-89; Truman Scholarship Nominee.

Honors Bachelors Thesis: *The Soviet Nationality Question: Components and Consequences of Multiethnicity*.

Activities: CHICAGO REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (Founder and Co-Editor of journal; wrote and edited articles), Model United Nations Team and Conference.

PUBLICATIONS

Law Review Articles and Book Chapters:

In progress: *Not Throwing Away My Shot: A Legal Cure to the Anti-Vaccine Epidemic in the US*

This law review article analyzes the problems with the rising anti-vaccine rhetoric in the United States, and explains the dangers posed by the anti-vaxxers and the resulting lowered rate in vaccinations.

In progress: *And When Our Children Tell Our Story: Modern Assisted Reproductive and the LGBT+ Community*

This law review article focuses on access to assisted reproductive technology (ART) for persons in the LGBT+ community

EXPERT LEARNING COURSE AT THE JOHN MARSHALL LAW SCHOOL, 1ST and 2ND ED. (Editor of Aspen Custom text; 2013 and revised, 2014).

This is a course textbook that I created for the Expert Learning course at the John Marshall Law School in my role as program director. I wrote, curated, and edited content for this book.

U.S. Conflicts of Law: Principles and Problems (Chapter) in ONE OR MANY? THE LAW AND STRUCTURE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AND THE UNITED STATES (East Hall Press, 2011) (book chapter)

Currency of Love: Customary International Law and the Battle for Same-Sex Marriage in the United States, 14 U. PA. J. LAW & SOC. CHANGE 53 (Fall, 2010).

This law review article has been listed in the top ten of a number of SSRN topics/journals.

Interstate Intercourse: How Modern Assisted Reproductive Technologies Challenge the Traditional Realm of Conflicts of Law, 24 WIS. J.L. GENDER & SOC'Y 25 (2009).

This law review article is in the all-time top ten downloads in the SSRN journal Reproductive Justice, Law & Policy. This article has also been listed in the top ten of several topics/journals of SSRN.

Sailing Against the Wind: How a Pre-Admission Program Can Prepare At-Risk Students for Success in the Journey Through Law School and Beyond (Green, Kordesh and Spanbauer), 39 U. MEM. L. REV. 307 (2009).

Language of Lullabies: The Russification and de-Russification of the Baltic States, 19 MICHIGAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 219 (1997).

Shorter Articles, Non-Law Publications, and Editor work:

Op-Ed: *Pride Month, Families, and Overturning Roe*, WEDNESDAY JOURNAL (6-28-2022)

Micro Essay on Artificial Intelligence and Law Teaching, 27 PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING LEGAL RESEARCH AND WRITING (Spring 2019).

OPEN YOUR EYES, IT'S OK TO LOOK: MY JOURNEY THROUGH AN ABUSIVE MARRIAGE, A HIGH CONFLICT DIVORCE, AND AN UNFAIRLY BLIND JUSTICE SYSTEM, Talia Burke (Editor; CreateSpace Custom Text, 2013).

Please Help Me Keep My Children Healthy, (<https://www.voicesforvaccines.org/please-help-me-keep-my-children-healthy/>) (5-6-2013)

The Nest, HEBREW IMMIGRANT AID SOCIETY (<https://www.hias.org/mystory/nest>) (12-22-2012).

ONE FLEW OVER THE IRON CURTAIN, by Vladimir Bychkov (Editor and Author of Introduction; CreateSpace Custom Text, 2012).

PUBLICATIONS (CONTINUED)

Shorter Articles, Non-Law Publications, and Editor work: (continued)

A Montessori Journey: Lessons for the Legal Writing Classroom, 13 PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING LEGAL RESEARCH AND WRITING 82 (Winter 2005).

And Now For Something Completely Different: Lessons Learned in Revising the Legal Writing Curriculum, (Green and Kordesh) 16(2) THE SECOND DRAFT 6 (2002).

Bilingualism in Immigrant Children: A Preliminary Essay, 72 J. OF JEWISH COMMUNAL SERVICE 339 (1996) (Green and Bychkov).

PRESENTATIONS

Presenter/Panelist:

The Supreme Court and Roe V. Wade, A Legal Safe Space Discussion, UIC Law, June 2022

Faculty Conversation: International Law and The Conflict in Ukraine, UIC Law, April 2022.

Empire's Embrace: Russia's War Against Ukraine, Panel Discussion, UIC, March 2022.

Interactive Discussion: Legal Issues Surrounding the COVID-19 Vaccines, Admitted Students' Virtual Preview Event, UIC John Marshall, January 2021.

Evaluating Fall Semester, panel hosted by The Impact Project, January 2021.

Vaccinate the Heartland, A Virtual Event Celebrating Vaccines, invited panelist, October 2020.

Use of Whiteboards in Online Classes, Breakout Sessions at the 2020 UIC Leadership Retreat, August 2020.

It Depends, invited guest in conversation about the law and legal education on Instagram Live, with Professor Kim Ricardo, August 2020.

Vaccines in the Time of Coronavirus, UIC John Marshall Lecture Series, July 22, 2020.

Thinking Outside the Screen: Enhancing Video Based Classes With "Actors", William & Mary Law School's Conference for Excellence in Teaching Legal Research & Writing Online (Poster), June 2020.

Debunking Law School Myths, panelist at UIC John Marshall Law School's Excel Program, May 2020.

And When Our Children Tell Our Story: Modern Assisted Reproductive Technologies and the LGBT+ Community, UIC E+W Research Mixer on Reproductive Health, UIC Innovation Center, Chicago, Illinois, September 2019.

PRESENTATIONS (CONTINUED)Presenter/Panelist (continued):

And When Our Children Tell Our Story: Modern Assisted Reproductive Technologies and the LGBT+ Community, 2019 International Society of Family Law/ United Nations (CEDAW) North American Regional Conference, University of Illinois, Discovery Partners Institute, Chicago, Illinois, June 2019.

Online Modules, The John Marshall Law School, Faculty Works in Progress, Chicago, Illinois, March 2019.

Emerging Advances in Reproductive Technologies and the Bio-ethical and Legal Implications of Those Advances: Legal Implications (aka, the Wild West of ART), Annual Conference of the American Academy of Adoption Attorneys and the American Academy of Assisted Reproductive Technology Attorneys, Montreal, Canada, May 2017 (invited speaker).

Interstate Intercourse: Navigating Conflicts of Laws and Choice of Law Issues in ART Arrangements, Coming Together to Address Family Building Issues in Sweet Home Chicago, 2015 Mid-Year Conference presented by the American Academy of Adoption Attorneys and the American Academy of Assisted Reproductive Technology Attorneys, Chicago, Illinois, October 2015 (invited speaker).

Conflicts of Law and Interstate Issues: Providing Workable Strategies for Contract Drafting, Choice of Law and Related Issues, Racing Toward Innovation: the 23rd Annual Conference, American Academy of Adoption Attorneys and the 3rd Annual Conference, American Academy of Assisted Reproductive Technology Attorneys, Indianapolis, May 2012 (invited speaker).

Erie Derailed: How Choice of Law Approaches Differ in State and Federal Courts, The John Marshall Law School, Faculty Works in Progress, Chicago, Illinois, October 2012.

Currency of Love: Customary International Law and the Legalization and Recognition of Same-Sex Marriage in the United States, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, May 2010.

Grading Papers and Handling Student Conferences, Legal Writing Institute One-Day Workshop for Adjunct Professors and New Legal Writing Professors, The John Marshall Law School, December 2009.

Currency of Love: Customary International Law and the Legalization and Recognition of Same-Sex Marriage in the United States, The John Marshall Law School, Faculty Works in Progress, Chicago, Illinois, November 2009.

An Inconvenient Obsession: Facebook in Law School, Central Region Legal Writing Conference, Marquette University Law School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, October 2009 (co-presenter with Professor Tracy McGaugh, Touro Law School).

You've Got to Move It, Move It: Techniques for Motivating (and Moving) Kinesthetic Learners, Summer 2009 Conference of the Institute for Law Teaching and Learning, Gonzaga University School of Law, Spokane, Washington, June 2009 (co-presenter with Professor Maureen Collins, John Marshall Law School).

Drop and give me 15 ... minutes of argument: Channeling Tom Landry for (Moot Court) Coaching Success, Lone Star Regional Legal Research and Writing Conference, Texas Tech, May 2009 (co-presenter with Professor Mary Nagel, John Marshall Law School).

Academic Writing and Publishing (for new faculty), The John Marshall Law School, Fall 2008.

PRESENTATIONS (CONTINUED)Presenter/Panelist (continued):

Reality Bites or Does It?: Incorporating Learning Theory and Student Expectations into Problem Design for a First-Year Legal Writing Course, Legal Writing Institute 2008 Biennial Conference, Indiana University School of Law – Indianapolis, Indiana, July 2008.

Interstate Intercourse: How Modern Advances in Assisted Reproductive Technologies Challenge Traditional Conflicts of Law Methodologies, The John Marshall Law School, Faculty Works in Progress, Chicago, Illinois, March 2008.

A Chance to Succeed: Teaching Legal Writing and Analysis to At-Risk Law Students in a Summer Assessment Program, Legal Writing Institute 2006 Biennial Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, July 2006.

Ready to Reason? Ready to Write? Teaching Logic and Eloquence to the Blogger Generation, Association of Legal Writing Directors 2005 Biennial Conference: Teaching Lawyers of and for the 21st Century, Northwestern University School of Law, Chicago, Illinois, July 2005.

Introductory Comments on the Development of the on-line Idea Bank, Legal Writing Institute, 2004 Biennial Conference, Seattle University, July 2004.

International Law After 9/11, The John Marshall Law School, Fall 2002.

Careers in International Law, The John Marshall Law School, Fall 2001.

Moderator / Commenter:

Experiential Learning and Teaching Undergraduates, UIC John Marshall Teaching Effectiveness Program, November 2019.

National Security, Privacy, and Privilege: Border Searches of Digital Data, CLE Conference On "Ethics and International Trade in the 21st Century", The John Marshall Law School Center for International Law, Chicago, IL, November 2008.

Comparative Teaching Approaches and Innovations, Global Legal Skills Conference, The John Marshall Law School, Chicago, May 2005.

Strategies for Academic and Professional Success, Global Legal Skills Conference, The John Marshall Law School, Chicago, May 2005.

Legal Writing Institute (LWI) 2006 Biennial Conference: *A Chance to Succeed: Teaching Legal Writing and Analysis to At-Risk Law Students in a Summer Assessment Program*, Atlanta, Georgia, July 2006.

Association of Legal Writing Directors (ALWD) 2005 Biennial Conference: *Teaching Lawyers of and for the 21st Century, Ready to Reason? Ready to Write? Teaching Logic and Eloquence to the Blogger Generation*, Northwestern University School of Law, Chicago, Illinois, July 2005.

SELECTED MEDIA APPEARANCES

- Interview About Employers Funding Abortion Travel, The John Howell Show (WLS Radio) (6-30-2022)
- Chicago Tribune Interview About Employers Funding Abortion Travel (6-28-2022)
- WTTW Interview About the War on Ukraine and The Impact on International Surrogacy (3-24-2022)
- WGN Chicago Appearance: OSHA Vaccine Mandate (11-4-2021)
- CBS2 Chicago Appearance: Vaccine Exemptions (8-27-2021)
- NBC5 Chicago Appearance: Mask Mandate (8-13-2021)
- Univision Chicago Appearance: Vaccine Exemptions (5-11-2021, 11pm)
- Univision Chicago Appearance: Vaccine Exemptions (5-11-2021, 5pm)
- UIC Law Presentation: Vaccines in The Time of Coronavirus (7-22-2020)
- Children's Inn At NIH, Article About My Family (8-30-2018)
- Immune Deficiency Foundation (IDF) Advocate: Promoting Herd Immunity (Summer 2014)
- NPR Appearance: Public Health Advocates (4-6-2014)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Law Practice:

Bates, Meckler, Bulger & Tilson (now, Meckler, Bulger & Tilson)

Associate: Researched and drafted legal memoranda and trial briefs on excess layer insurance and reinsurance. Attended and defended depositions. Appeared in federal and state courts. Evaluated exposure of insurance companies in complex environmental litigation. April - July 1995.

McCullough, Campbell & Lane

Associate: Researched and drafted trial briefs, motions and legal memoranda for commercial litigation, products liability, and personal injury defense. Appeared in court. Prepared comprehensive survey of medical malpractice laws. Monitored and evaluated claims on behalf of insurers. Represented pro-bono applicants in proceedings before the INS. Summer 1992; August 1993 - April 1995.

Consulting:

Lovells, LLP

Writing Consultant: Part time, over two summers, created and taught seminars for CLE credit for the attorneys; reviewed briefs and memoranda and taught attorneys how to improve their writing. June 2007 – June 2009.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND SERVICE**CALI: The Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction**

Civil Procedure Fellow, August 2017 – Jan 2018.

The International Lawyer

Deputy Editor (Summer 2009, Volume 43, No. 2; Summer 2010).

Legal Writing Institute

Served on the Website Committee. Served as Co-Chair of the Idea Bank Committee; served on the Awards committee.

Other Service to the Legal Writing Community

Brief grader for Scribes, the American Society of Legal Writers; Frequent participant on List Serv discussions; Reviewer of books and articles, both formally and informally; Mentor to new legal writing professors, both at John Marshall and at other schools; Association of Legal Writing Directors (ALWD), 2001-8: Served as Chair of the Listserv Committee; Member and "linkmaster" of the Website committee.

COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC SERVICE**Illinois Coalition for Immunization**

Founder and active member of a state group to promote vaccines. Advocate and activist; interviewed by media on issues involving vaccines.

Immune Deficiency Foundation

Key advocacy volunteer in the state of Illinois in this a national organization supporting individuals with primary immunodeficiencies. Travel to Washington DC to meet with legislators. Advocate for legislation, insurance coverage and awareness of issues that affect patients and families. Peer contact for people newly diagnosed, and for parents whose children are newly diagnosed with immunodeficiencies.

Rare Disease Legislative Advocate

Advocate and blogger. Traveled to Washington DC to meet with legislators (February 2018).

R.A.R.E. Project and Voices for Vaccines

Advocate and blogger. Top blog post: <http://www.voicesforvaccines.org/please-help-me-keep-my-children-healthy/>.

Resolve, Illinois Chapter

Former board member and active volunteer in an organization dedicated to education, advocacy, and support on issues of infertility. Former Director of Communication; former co-director and developer of Friends & Family program.

District 90 Schools (Willard Elementary School and Roosevelt Middle School)

Member of school committees.

Oak Park AYSO, River Forest Youth Soccer, Chicago Blast Soccer Club, Chicago Edge Soccer Club

Board Member; Registrar; Coach; Manager; Newsletter editor.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Russian: Native speaker (emigrated from Moscow, USSR in 1975); tutor and translator.
Hebrew: Oral and written proficiency; conducted tours of Chicago in Hebrew.
Spanish: Oral and written proficiency

BAR ADMISSIONS

Admitted to the Bar, 1993; Illinois and U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.