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***EDUCATION***

**HARVARD LAW SCHOOL**  
J.D., June 2002

**INDIANA UNIVERSITY-PURDUE UNIVERSITY INDIANAPOLIS**  
B.A. in Journalism, May 1999  
Highest Distinction  
Chancellor's Scholar  
Outstanding Woman Student Leader Award  
Central Newspapers Foundation Scholar  
Minority Achievement Scholar

***ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS***

**UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS CHICAGO SCHOOL OF LAW** Chicago, Illinois  
Director of Center for Intellectual Property, Information, July 2023-Present  
and Privacy Law and Associate Professor of Law

Courses Taught: Copyright Law, Property

**NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW** DeKalb, Illinois  
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs 2020-July 2023  
(LOA Spring 2022)  
Interim Assistant/Associate Dean for Student Affairs 2017-2020/July 2022  
Associate Professor of Law 2014-Present  
Director of Faculty Development Spring 2016  
Assistant Professor of Law 2010-2014  
Visiting Assistant Professor of Law Spring 2010

Courses Taught: Copyright Law, Entertainment Law (on campus and online),  
Intellectual Property Law (on campus and online), International Intellectual Property  
Seminar, Property (on campus and online), Trademark Law

**INDIANA UNIVERSITY ROBERT H. MCKINNEY SCHOOL OF LAW** Indianapolis, Indiana  
Associate Faculty Spring and Fall 2022  
Visiting Associate Professor of Law Fall 2021

Courses Taught: Entertainment Law, Intellectual Property, Property

## ***TEACHING EXPERIENCE***

Council on Legal Education Opportunity (CLEO) Sophomore Summer Institute –  
Northern Illinois University College of Law DeKalb, Illinois

Course Taught: Legal Methods/Torts Introduction Summer 2010

## ***PUBLICATIONS***

*Written Statement: Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts, Inc. v. Goldsmith*, \_\_\_ Chi.-Kent. J. Intell. Prop. \_\_ (Forthcoming) (by invitation).

*Tattoo Use: What Does the Right of Publicity Have To Do With It?*, in INSTITUTE OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE HANDBOOK (with Lateef Mtima, Steven D. Jamar and Lateef Mtima eds., Forthcoming).

*Why Women of Color Remain 'Invisible' in IP Law*, 37 GPSolo 45 (2020) (with J. Shontavia Johnson and Tonya M. Evans).

*Diversifying Your Roster of Guest Speakers for Your Law School Course*, AALS New Law Professors Section Annual Newsletter (December 2018).

*Copyright Protection of Tattoos*, in NON-CONVENTIONAL COPYRIGHT (Edward Elgar Publishing, Enrico Bonadio and Nicola Lucchi eds., 2018).

*Solid Oak Sketches v. 2K Games: Is This Lawsuit the Beginning of the End of Uncertainty Concerning The Enforceability of Tattoo Copyrights?*, 1 Interactive Ent. L. Rev. 62 (2018).

*Diversifying Intellectual Property Law: Why Women of Color Remain “Invisible” and How to Provide More Seats at the Table*, *Landslide*, Mar./Apr. 2018, at 31. (with J. Shontavia Johnson and Tonya M. Evans).

*Tattoo Copyrights May Finally Get Their Day in Court*, Law360 (April 28, 2016, 10:38 AM), <https://www.law360.com/articles/788694/tattoo-copyrights-may-finally-get-their-day-in-court>.

*The Inadvisability of Nonuniformity in the Licensing of Cover Songs*, 3 Belmont L. Rev. 51 (2016) (symposium) (by invitation).

*Protection and Enforcement Challenges for Tattoo Copyrights*, 39 Colum. J.L. & Arts 437 (2016) (symposium remarks) (by invitation).

*The Right of Publicity Challenges for Tattoo Copyrights*, 16 Nev. L.J. 441 (2016).

*The Enforcement Challenges for Tattoo Copyrights*, 22 J. Intell. Prop. L. 29 (2014).

*The Challenges “Facing” Copyright Protection for Tattoos*, 92 Or. L. Rev. 129 (2013).

*From Servants to Workers: South African Domestic Workers and the Democratic State*, 14 Perspectives on Work 55 (Summer 2010/Winter 2011) (book review).

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Panelist, *Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts, Inc. v. Goldsmith*, Supreme Court Intellectual Property Review, Chicago-Kent College of Law, Chicago, Illinois, September 29, 2023.

Presenter (virtual), *Introduction to Entertainment Law*, Cary-Grove High School, Cary, Illinois, September 25, 2023.

Guest Lecturer (virtual), *Copyright and Trademark Laws Overview*, Professional Practices in Design, School of Art and Design, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, February 2, 2023.

Panelist, *Designing Impactful Diversity Pathway Programs*, AccessLex Legal Education Research Symposium, Nashville, Tennessee, November 7, 2022.

Presenter (virtual), *Introduction to Entertainment Law*, Cary-Grove High School, Cary, Illinois, September 12, 2022.

Panelist, *Rivalry Game? Copyright, Right of Publicity and College Athletes*, The Copyright Society of the USA 2022 Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, Monday, June 13, 2022.

Presenter (virtual), *What’s Copyright Got To Do With Tattoos?*, Nassau County Bar Association, Intellectual Property Committee, New York City, New York, February 4, 2022.

Panelist (virtual), *Runway Rights: Copyright Issues in Fashion, Makeup, and Body Art*, The Copyright Society of the USA, Southeast Chapter, December 1, 2021.

Presenter (virtual), *Right of Publicity Licensing*, Practising Law Institute, New York City, New York, November 5, 2021.

Presenter (virtual), *Introduction to Entertainment Law*, Cary-Grove High School, Cary, Illinois, September 3, 2021.

Presenter (virtual), *Diversifying Intellectual Property Law: Why Women of Color Remain “Invisible” and How to Provide More Seats at the Table*, Nassau County Bar Association, Intellectual Property Committee, New York City, New York, April 22, 2021.

Panelist (virtual), American University Business Law Review Spring Symposium: Third Annual Women in Business Law Leadership Conference, Washington D.C., March 26, 2021.

Guest Lecturer (virtual), *Copyright and Trademark Laws Overview*, Professional Practices in Design, School of Art and Design, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, March 22, 2021.

Panelist (virtual), Los Angeles Intellectual Property Law Association Annual Judges' Night, Los Angeles, California, February 25, 2021.

Presenter (virtual), *Right of Publicity Licensing*, Practising Law Institute, New York City, New York, November 5, 2020.

Presenter (virtual), *Diversifying Intellectual Property Law: Why Women of Color Remain "Invisible" and How to Provide More Seats at the Table*, Intellectual Property Law Society, University of Iowa College of Law, Iowa City, Iowa, October 12, 2020.

Presenter (virtual), *Introduction to Entertainment Law*, Cary-Grove High School, Cary, Illinois, September 17, 2020.

Presenter, *Epic Games Lawsuits*, The Dr. LaVerne Gyant Lecture Series, Center for Black Studies, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, February 3, 2020.

Presenter, *Right of Publicity Licensing*, Licensing Executives Society Annual Meeting, McAndrews Held & Malloy Ltd, Chicago, Illinois, November 19, 2019.

Presenter, *Right of Publicity Licensing*, Practising Law Institute, New York City, New York, November 4, 2019.

Presenter, *Introduction to Entertainment Law*, Cary-Grove High School, Cary, Illinois, September 13, 2019.

Presenter, *Right of Publicity Issues in Various Media*, McAndrews Held & Malloy Ltd, Chicago, Illinois, May 23, 2019.

Panelist, *Graffiti, Tattoos, and More: Fixation of Work on Property or People: Are They Your Source?*, 2019 American Bar Association IPL Annual Meeting and Intellectual Property Law Conference, Arlington, Virginia, April 12, 2019.

Panelist, *What is Intellectual Property? When to Patent, Trademark, or Copyright*, Northern Illinois University EIGERlab Innovation Network, Northern Illinois University-Rockford, Rockford, Illinois, March 12, 2019.

Presenter (co-keynote), *Publicity Rights: Identity and Economic Empowerment*, Institute for Intellectual Property and & Social Justice Sixteenth Annual IP and Social Justice Seminar, Howard University School of Law, Washington D.C., March 1, 2019.

Moderator, *Real Talk: Discussing Diversity*, Cole Hall, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, February 13, 2019.

Presenter, *The Epic Games Lawsuits*, Sports and Entertainment Law Society, Northern Illinois University College of Law, DeKalb, Illinois, February 4, 2019.

Presenter, *Spreading the Word of God: How Are Churches and Their Leadership Protecting and Enforcing Their Copyrights?*, The Fourth Annual Mosaic Conference: Intellectual Property Unbundled: Theory, Policy and Practice, University of New Hampshire School of Law, Concord, New Hampshire, October 26, 2018.

Presenter, *Introduction to Law School*, Political Science Professional Development Seminar, DuSable Hall, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, September 28, 2018.

Presenter, *Introduction to Entertainment Law*, Cary-Grove High School, Cary, Illinois, August 29, 2018.

Presenter, *Making A Movie*, McAndrews Held & Malloy Ltd, Chicago, Illinois, May 17, 2018.

Panelist, Careers Panel, Career Planning Class, Graham Hall, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, May 2, 2018.

Panelist, March 28, 2018, Law School Admissions Process Panel, Pre-Law Honors Society, Northern Illinois University College of Law, DeKalb, Illinois, March 28, 2018.

Guest Lecturer (virtual), *Tattle Tales: Tattoos, Copyrights, and Protection*, Global Perspectives in Copyright seminar, University of New Hampshire School of Law, Concord, New Hampshire, March 15, 2018.

Presenter, *Tattle Tales: Tattoos, Copyrights, and Protection*, Midwest Chapter of the Copyright Society of the USA and the Chicago Bar Association Intellectual Property Committee, Chicago, Illinois, January 23, 2018.

Panelist, *Know Your Rights: First Amendment*, Black Student Union, Campus Life Building, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, November 15, 2017.

Guest Lecturer, *Copyright Law Overview*, Technology and Assessment for Secondary Education Class, Gabel Hall, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, November 2, 2017.

Presenter, *Introduction to Law School*, Political Science Professional Development Seminar, DuSable Hall, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, October 20, 2017.

Presenter, *The Protection and Enforcement Challenges for Tattoo Copyrights*, Asociacion Mexicana para la Proteccion de la Propiedad Intelectual, A.C. (English translation: Mexican Association for Intellectual Property Protection) seminar, Mexico City, Mexico, October 18, 2017.

Panelist, *The Protection and Enforcement Challenges for Tattoo Copyrights*, Tats Entertainment! Tattoos, Copyright, and the Entertainment Industry, Los Angeles Chapter of The Copyright Society of the USA, Los Angeles, California, September 28, 2017.

Presenter, *Introduction to Entertainment Law*, Cary-Grove High School, Cary, Illinois, August 31, 2017.

Presenter, *Right of Publicity*, McAndrews Held & Malloy Ltd, Chicago, Illinois, May 25, 2017.

Panelist, Women Faculty Panel, Women in Higher Education Class, Northern Illinois University, April 5, 2017.

Presenter, *The Challenges of Intellectual Property Protection for Tattoos*, Research Roundtable, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, March 31, 2017.

Panelist, *What is Intellectual Property? When to Patent, Copyright, or Trademark.*, Northern Illinois University EIGERlab Innovation Network, Northern Illinois University-Rockford, Rockford, Illinois, March 14, 2017.

Presenter, *The Enforcement Challenges for Tattoo Copyrights*, Hosier IP Scholars Series, DePaul University College of Law, Chicago, Illinois, March 9, 2017.

Panelist, *Tattoos and Intellectual Property*, Northern Illinois University College of Law, DeKalb, Illinois, February 16, 2017.

Panelist, Faculty Panel, Pre-Law Workshop, Northern Illinois University College of Law, DeKalb, Illinois, January 14, 2017.

Presenter, *Introduction to Law School*, Political Science Professional Development Seminar, DuSable Hall, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, November 4, 2016.

Panelist, *Fall 2016 Visit Day: An Introduction to Northern Law's Trial Advocacy Program*, Northern Illinois University College of Law, DeKalb, Illinois, November 3, 2016.

Presenter, *The Challenges for Intellectual Property Protection for Tattoos*, McAndrews Held & Malloy Ltd, Chicago, Illinois, October 6, 2016.

Presenter, *Introduction to Entertainment Law and Intellectual Property Law*, Prairie Ridge High School, Crystal Lake, Illinois, October 6, 2016.

Presenter, *Tattoos and Intellectual Property*, Big IDEA Speaker Series, Drake Law School, Des Moines, Iowa, October 4, 2016.

Guest Lecturer (virtual), *The Inadvisability of Nonuniformity in the Licensing of Cover Songs*, Michigan State University College of Law, Lansing, Michigan, September 29, 2016.

Presenter, *Introduction to Entertainment Law and Intellectual Property Law*, Cary-Grove High School, Cary, Illinois, September 1, 2016.

Presenter, *Pushing the Body Beyond its Limits: Copyright Protection of Body Art*, Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Writing Workshop, University of Iowa College of Law, Iowa City, Iowa, July 9, 2016.

Moderator, *The First Amendment, Free Speech, and Lawful Assembly*, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, March 23, 2016.

Panelist, *Gender Discrimination*, Women's Law Caucus Luncheon, Northern Illinois University College of Law, DeKalb, Illinois, March 2, 2016.

Presenter, *Thinking of a Master Plan: Protecting Your Creative Mind*, National Society of Black Engineers, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, February 22, 2016.

Panelist, *What is Intellectual Property? When to Patent, Copyright, or Trademark.*, Northern Illinois University EIGERlab Innovation Network, Northern Illinois University-Rockford, Rockford, Illinois, February 9, 2016.

Presenter, *The Inadvisability of Nonuniformity in the Licensing of Cover Songs*, "Entertainment Law and Music Business in Transition" symposium, Belmont University College of Law, Nashville, Tennessee, October 16, 2015.

Panelist, "Copyright Outside the Box" symposium, Kernochan Center for Law, Media, and the Arts, Columbia Law School, New York City, New York, October 2, 2015.

Presenter (virtual), *The Inadvisability of Nonuniformity in the Licensing of Cover Songs*, Intellectual Property Law Seminar Series, Michigan State University College of Law, East Lansing, Michigan, September 29, 2015.

Presenter, *The Inadvisability of Nonuniformity in the Licensing of Cover Songs*, 2015 Intellectual Property Scholars Conference, DePaul College of Law, Chicago, Illinois, August 6, 2015.

Presenter, *The Right of Publicity Challenges for Tattoo Copyrights*, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington, May 31, 2015.

Presenter, *The Right of Publicity Challenges for Tattoo Copyrights*, Faculty Development Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law, DeKalb, Illinois, February 25, 2015.

Presenter, *The Right of Publicity Challenges for Tattoo Copyrights*, Eighth Annual Regional Junior Faculty Works-in-Progress Workshop, Washington University Law School, St. Louis, Missouri, December 12, 2014.

Guest Lecturer, *Patents, Copyrights, and Trademarks*, Graphic Design Class, Visual Arts Building, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, December 2, 2014.

Panelist, *Teaching Intellectual Property from a Progressive Perspective*, The First Annual Mosaic Conference: Diverse Voices in IP Scholarship, Marquette University Law School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, November 16, 2014.

Presenter, *The Enforcement Challenges for Tattoo Copyrights*, DuPage County Bar Association, Wheaton, Illinois, November 12, 2014.

Presenter, *Patents and Copyrights*, Joseph F. Glidden Homestead & Historical Center, DeKalb, Illinois, September 28, 2014.

Panelist, Constitution Day, Supreme Court Intellectual Property Docket 2013 and 2014, Northern Illinois University College of Law, DeKalb, Illinois, September 17, 2014.

Presenter, *The Challenges "Facing" Copyright Protection for Tattoos*, DuPage County Bar Association, Wheaton, Illinois, February 18, 2014.

Presenter, *The Enforcement Challenges for Tattoo Copyrights*, Chicago Junior Faculty Workshop, Valparaiso University Law School, Chicago, Illinois, February 7, 2014.

Panelist, Mock AALS Interview, *Resistance Rising: Theorizing and Building Cross-Sector Movements*, 2013 Biennial LatCrit Conference, Hilton Chicago O'Hare Airport, Chicago, Illinois, October 3, 2013.

Presenter, *The Enforcement Challenges for Tattoo Copyrights*, 2013 Intellectual Property Scholars Conference, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University, New York City, New York, August 8, 2013.

Panelist, *PED Panel: Careers in the Law*, Walter Payton College Prep, Chicago, Illinois, April 25, 2013.



Presenter, *The Challenges "Facing" Copyright Protection for Tattoos*, Faculty Development Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law, DeKalb, Illinois, March 27, 2013.

Presenter, *The Challenges "Facing" Copyright Protection for Tattoos*, Central States Law Schools Association's 2012 Annual Conference, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, Cleveland, Ohio, October 20, 2012.

Panelist, Northern Illinois University College of Law Black Law Student Association Presents: "What Can I Do With My Law Degree?", Northern Illinois University College of Law, DeKalb, Illinois, September 26, 2012.

Panelist, Black Women Lawyers' Association of Greater Chicago, 2012 National Summit of Black Women Lawyers, Hyatt Regency Chicago on the Riverwalk, Chicago, Illinois, April 13, 2012.

Presenter, *Copyright Law*, Survey of the Music Industry Class, School of Music, Northern Illinois University College of Visual & Performing Arts, DeKalb, Illinois, March 2012.

Panelist, *So You Want an A? How to be Successful in Your Classes*, Black Faculty Association-Sponsored Panel Discussion, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, February 8, 2012.

Panelist and Organizer, *Breaking In: How to Become a Law Professor or Law School Administrator*, Society of American Law Teachers, The John Marshall Law School and Northern Illinois University College of Law's Breaking In Program, Chicago, Illinois, September 16, 2011.

Presenter, *Copyright Law*, Survey of the Music Industry Class, School of Music, Northern Illinois University College of Visual & Performing Arts, DeKalb, Illinois, April 2010.

Panelist, City of Chicago Department of Law's Diversity in the Law Pipeline Program, City Council Chambers, Chicago, Illinois, February 23, 2007.

## ***PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE***

### **ADVITAM IP**

Chicago, Illinois

#### ***Of Counsel***

2013 – present

Conducting copyright and trademark searches, drafting risk assessment opinions, preparing and filing copyright and trademark applications, handling matters related to prosecution, registration and maintenance of copyright and trademark applications, conducting legal research, and reviewing, drafting and filing litigious documents.

**HUSCH BLACKWELL SANDERS WELSH & KATZ**  
*Intellectual Property Attorney*  
2008 – 2009, 2002-2004

Chicago, Illinois

Conducted and reviewed trademark clearance searches. Advised clients regarding filing strategies. Handled trademark opposition proceedings before Trademark Trial and Appeal Board. Maintained trademark portfolios of clients through filing of trademark applications and post-registration documents with U.S. Patent & Trademark Office. Filed copyright applications with U.S. Copyright Office. Drafted and analyzed non-disclosure, employee non-compete and trademark consent agreements. Drafted motions to compel, motions for sanctions and motions *in limine* for trademark and patent litigations. Drafted opposition to motion to dismiss and motion to quash subpoenas in trade secret litigations.

**CITY OF CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF LAW**  
*Assistant Corporation Counsel*  
2006-2008

Chicago, Illinois

Drafted and negotiated purchasing and licensing agreements for City departments. Interpreted intellectual property provisions of agreements for Department of Procurement Services. Reviewed sponsorship agreements for Mayor's Office of Special Events. Supervised outside counsel's drafting and negotiation of agreements on behalf of City. Drafted and reviewed Requests for Proposals. Reviewed Economic Disclosure Statements of parties interested in conducting business with City. Drafted ordinances for introduction to City Council. Researched state and municipal contract laws.

**BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE**  
*Intellectual Property Attorney*  
2004-2006

Chicago, Illinois

Prosecuted trademark applications for registration with U.S. Patent & Trademark Office. Filed and defended oppositions before Trademark Trial and Appeal Board. Instructed foreign counsel in filing trademark applications and responding to office actions abroad. Conducted and reviewed trademark clearance searches. Drafted trademark clearance opinion letters. Advised clients regarding worldwide filing strategies and dispute resolution. Drafted worldwide coexistence and consent agreements. Filed complaints with World Intellectual Property Organization to request transfer of domain names.

### ***AWARDS AND HONORS***

Excellence in Service and Leadership Award, Northern Illinois University College of Law, 2023.

Deacon Davis Diversity Award, Presidential Commission on the Status of Minorities, Northern Illinois University, 2017.

Outstanding Professor of the Year Award, Northern Illinois University College of Law, Alumni Council, 2012

Alumni Hall of Fame Inductee, Pike High School, 2012

Corporate Woman of Achievement Award, National Association of Women Business Owners, 2009

### ***BAR ADMISSIONS AND COURT AFFILIATIONS***

Illinois State Bar, 2002

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, 2002

### ***GRANTS***

AccessLex Institute  
Diversity Pipeline Programs in Legal Education  
Legal Education, Access, and Recognition at NIU  
\$124,842.85  
January 15, 2019 – November 30, 2020  
Principal Investigator

### ***MEDIA MENTIONS***

On Tiffany Cunningham's Appointment to the CAFC: An Impeccable Candidate and a Rallying Call for More Diversity in IP, IPWatchdog.com, July 11, 2021.

NIU Launches Program to Coach Minority Students on LSAT Prep, Chicago Daily Law Bulletin, July 23, 2019.

NIU Law Creates Innovative Program to Decrease Barriers to Law School, Northern Illinois University NIU Today, July 8, 2019.

What Can The Fashion Industry Learn From a Legal Squabble Over Video Games & Tattoos?, The Fashion Law, January 31, 2019.

Athletes Don't Own Their Tattoos. That's a Problem for Video Game Developers., The New York Times, December 27, 2018.

Artist Sues Kendrick Lamar, Alleging Black Panther Music Video Copied Her Work, Artsy, February 21, 2018.

Why LeBron James Doesn't Own the Rights to His Tattoos, Artsy, October 3, 2017.

Tattoo Copyrights May Finally Get Their Day in Court, Law360, April 28, 2016.

The First Amendment, Free Speech, and Lawful Assembly, Northern Illinois University podcast, March 17, 2016.

Halloween-Themed Lawsuits, Fantasy Draft Legislation, Derrick Rose, Dennis Hastert's Guilty Plea, and More (Intellectual Property and Tattoos), WGN Legal Face-Off podcast, October 31, 2015.

NIU Law Professor Yolanda M. King Takes Copyright Law "Outside the Box," Chicago Tribune, September 11, 2015.

Professor Yolanda M. King Takes Copyright Law "Outside the Box", Northern Illinois University College of Law August eNotes, August 2015.

Law professor Yolanda M. King to take copyright law 'Outside the Box', Northern Illinois University NIU Today, August 18, 2015.

NIU Law Professor Yolanda M. King Takes Copyright Law "Outside the Box", Press Release, Northern Illinois University College of Law, August 17, 2015.

NIU professor becomes expert on IP tattoo law, Chicago Daily Law Bulletin, August 10, 2015.

Copyright considerations for tattoo art, Northern Illinois University NIU Newsroom, March 12, 2015.

### ***PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES***

Advisory Board Member, Campus Child Care, Northern Illinois University (2011-2015)

Chair, Admissions Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2014-2015, 2015-2016)

Chair, Appointments Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020)

Chair, Curriculum Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2020-2021, Spring 2022, 2022-2023)

Chair, Dean Review Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2017-2018)

Chair, Equity/Diversity Committee, Athletic Board, Northern Illinois University (2014-2016)

Chair, Faculty Working Group on Diversity and Equity, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019)

Chair, Search Committee for Associate Dean for Student Affairs, Northern Illinois University College of Law (Spring-Summer 2022)

Chair, Search Committee for Postdoctoral Fellow in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Northern Illinois University (Spring-Spring 2022)

Faculty Advisor, American Bar Association Law Student Division's Regional Client Counseling Competition (2012-2021)

Faculty Advisor, Black Law Students Association, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2011-present)

Faculty Advisor, Student Intellectual Property Law Association, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2020-present)

Faculty Advisor, Sports and Entertainment Law Society, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2014-present)

Faculty Liaison to Northern Illinois University College of Law Alumni Council and Board of Visitors (2012-2013, 2013-2014, Spring 2022)

Faculty Liaison, Diversity Integration Group, Athletic Board, Northern Illinois University (2016-2018)

Fellow, Mid-American Conference Leadership Development Program, Northern Illinois University (2022-2023)

Instructor, Council on Legal Education Opportunity's Sophomore Summer Institute, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2010)

Member, Academic Affairs Committee, University of Illinois Chicago School of Law (2023-2024)

Member, Academic Standing Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015)

Member, Academic Standing, Scholarships, and Awards Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, Spring 2022, 2022-2023)

Member, Admissions Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2011-2012, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016)

Member, Athletic Board, Northern Illinois University (2013-2018)

Member, Climate Survey Advisory Committee, Northern Illinois University (2018-2019)

Member, Clinical Promotion Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2019-2020)

Member, College of Advisors, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2016-2017)

Member, Community Life Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2017-2018, 2018-2019)

Member, Curriculum Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2018-2019)

Member (Alternate), Disciplinary Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2016-2017)

Member, Diversity Dialogue Planning Committee, Northern Illinois University (2015-2016, 2016-2017)

Member, Diversity and Equity Task Force, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2019-2020)

Member, Diversity Integration Group, Athletics Department, Northern Illinois University (2014-2018)

Member, Embracing Diversity Speaker Series Committee (2015-2016)

Member, Executive Committee, Athletic Board, Northern Illinois University (2014-2018)

Member, Executive Committee, Black Faculty and Staff Association, Northern Illinois University (2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020)

Member, Faculty Salary Study Task Force, Northern Illinois University (2016-2018)

Member, Faculty Working Group on Diversity and Equity, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2020-2021, Spring 2022)

Member, Intellectual Property Law Association of Chicago (2002-2006, 2008-present)

Member, International Trademark Association (2002-2006, 2008-present)

Member, Library Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2012-2013)

Member, National Association of Women Business Owners (2002-2004, 2008-2009)

Member, New Teachers Pipeline Committee, and NIU COL Representative, Society of American Law Teachers (2011-2015)

Member, Online Learning Advisory Council, Northern Illinois University (2019-2020)

Member, Professional Identity Formation Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2018-2019)

Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2022-2023)

Member, Revenue Generating Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2020-2021)

Member, Search Committee for Assistant Dean and Director of Admissions, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2022-2023)

Member, Search Committee for Assistant Director of Admissions and Financial Aid, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2012-2013)

Member, Search Committee for Assistant Professor – Critical Race Studies, Northern Illinois University (2018-2019)

Member, Search Committee for Associate Director of Admissions, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2020-2021)

Member, Search Committee for Associate Director of Campus Child Care, Northern Illinois University (Summer 2013)

Member, Search Committee for Associate Vice President and Director of Athletics, Northern Illinois University (Summer 2013)

Member, Search Committee for Dean, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2015-2016)

Member, Search Committee for Director of Admissions and Financial Aid, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2017-2018)

Member, Search Committee for General Counsel, Northern Illinois University (2018-2019)

Member, Search Committee for Legal Writing and Academic Success Program Instructor, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2022-2023)

Member, Search Committee for Vice President for Research and Innovation Partnerships, Northern Illinois University (2016-2017)

Member, Selection Committee for Professionalism Commission Liaison (2014)

Member, Strategic Planning and Budget Committee, Northern Illinois University College of Law (Spring 2023)

Member, Student Recruitment Task Force, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2016-2017)

Member, The Association of American Law Schools, Intellectual Property Section (2012-present)

Mentor, 1L Introduction to Professionalism Program, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2017-2018, 2018-2019)

Mentor, 1L Mentor Program, Northern Illinois University College of Law (2012-2013, 2014-2015)

Participant, Northern Illinois University Libraries' Digital Preservation Study (2012)

Secretary, Black Faculty and Staff Association, Northern Illinois University (2017-2018, 2018-2019)

Treasurer, Black Faculty and Staff Association, Northern Illinois University (2019-2021)