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WORK EXPERIENCE

South Texas College of Law Houston – Professor

Teach law students the skills for a successful law practice: legal analysis, writing, citation, legal research, and professional responsibility. These courses involve multiple exercises using each of these skills to ensure students not only understand but also can apply these necessary lawyering skills.

August 2002 – present

Associate Dean of Students – Oversee Bar Readiness, Academic Success, Writing Center, and other student-centered areas of the law school.

August 2023 - present

Faculty Advisor – Women’s Law Society

August 2016 – present

Faculty Advisor – AMICUS

August 2018 – August 2020

Chair of Academic Success and Bar Performance Committee

August 2020 – May 2023

Chair of Faculty Hiring

August 2018 – June 2019

Associate Dean of Academic Administration - Oversee Financial Aid, Admissions, and Career Resources Departments at the law school.

August 2016 – August 2018

Chair of Admissions Committee and Co-Chair of Diversity Committee

August 2010 - August 2015

Executive Director of Consortium for Innovating Legal Education

January 2012 - January 2015

Carrigan, Lapin & Landa, L.L.P., Houston, Texas - Partner

Practiced civil litigation in state and federal courts handling consumer class actions, commercial disputes, and product and premises liability cases; Drafted and argued class action certification motions.

September 1994 - July 2002

Honorable Norman W. Black, United States District Court, Houston, Texas - Law Clerk
Assisted Judge Black in all aspects of case management; Drafted orders and memoranda;
Analyzed and discussed questions of federal civil and criminal law and procedure with
Judge Black.
September 1990 - September 1992

EDUCATION

The University of Texas School of Law, J.D., May 1990
Staff Member - Texas International Law Journal
Thad T. Hutcheson Moot Court Competition

Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts
B.A. Politics, June 1987
Cum Laude
High Honors in Politics for Senior Thesis
Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel - Junior Year Abroad

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Member of Board of Trustees and Exec. Committee – The Emery/Weiner School – 2020 -
present
Chair of Jewish Community Center Arts and Culture Fair – 2014 - 2015
President of Executive Committee—Congregation Brith Shalom – June 2009 – June 2011
Houston Bar Association: Editorial Board of Houston Lawyer, 2004 – 2008

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Presenter at Statewide AAG Conference – July 2006
Instructor at Law in London Program - Summer 2005
Presenter at Lone Star Legal Writing Conference - April 2003
Presenter at Central Region Legal Research and Writing Conference – 2003

HONORS

AALS Teacher of the Year selected by South Texas College of Law 2014 – 2015
STCL H Award for Excellence in Service 2020-2021
STCL H Award for Excellence in Service 2021-2022

PUBLICATIONS

Essay:

*The Expanding Role and Dwindling Protection for Private Religious School Teachers During the
Pandemic: Rethinking the Ministerial Exception after Morrissey-Berru*, 54 U.C. Davis L. Rev.
Online (2021).

Articles:

Courts' Failure to Use Religion Experts to Decide Difficult Fact Questions Concerning Who is a Minister for the Ministerial Exception: A Holy Mess, 72 *Baylor L. Rev.* 1 (2020).

The Obergefell Marriage Equality Decision, with Its Emphasis on Human Dignity, and a Fundamental Right to Food Security, 13 *Hastings Race and Poverty L.J.* 147 (2016).

In the Holocaust's Shadow: Can German and American Constitutional Jurisprudence Provide a "New Guarantee" of Human Dignity?, 4 *Br. J. Am. Leg. Studies* 303 (Spring 2015).

Shame, Angry Judges, and the Social Media Effect, 63 *Cath. U. L. Rev.* 589 (2014).

Three Likely Causes of Judicial Misbehavior and How These Causes Should Inform Judicial Discipline, 41 *Capital U.L. Rev.* 949 (2013).

Removing the Umpire's Mask: The Propriety and Impact of Judicial Apologies, 4 *Utah L. Rev.* 1529 (2011).

A Hedgehog on the Witness Stand—What's the Big Idea?: The Challenges of Using Daubert to Assess Social Science and Nonscientific Testimony, 69 *American U. L. Rev.* 635 (2010).

Slipping Through the Gate: Trusting Daubert and Trial Procedures to Reveal the "Pseudo-Historian" Expert Witness—Troubling Lessons from Holocaust-related Trials, 60 *Baylor L. Rev.* 824 (2008).

A Death Penalty Wake-Up Call: Reducing the Risk of Racial Discrimination in Capital Punishment, 12 *Berkeley J. Crim. L.* 29 (2007).

Human Dignity in Supreme Court Jurisprudence, 84 *Neb. L. Rev.* 740 (2006).

Reconstructing the Plain Language Rule of Statutory Construction: How and Why, 65 *Mont. L. Rev.* 229 (2004).

Other

Procedural Fairness website, invited to serve as guest blogger, October 2012.

Houston's Legal Community Answers the Call for Volunteers in the Wake of Katrina, 43 *Hous. Law.*, Mar./Apr. 2006, at 14.

Maxine Goodman, *Becoming Justice Blackmun*, 43 *Hous. Law.*, May/June 2006 (book review).