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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ACADEMIA

Assistant Professor of Legal Skills

CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

July 2025 – present

Teach skills-based, doctrinal, and experiential courses in the law school curriculum, including Legal Writing, Leadership, Experiential Learning, Advocacy, and Professionalism (LLEAP) I and II; Criminal Law; Pretrial Criminal Practice

Training Chair

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COMPUTER INVESTIGATIVE SPECIALISTS

March 2023 – present

Develop and present a week-long, CLE-accredited course for practicing attorneys focusing on the collection of digital evidence, development of computer-based investigations, and presentation of electronic evidence at trial; author a complementary white-paper and training materials

Assistant Professor of Legal Writing

UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA SCHOOL OF LAW

July 2022 – July 2025

Taught first-year legal writing course and upper-level experiential course focusing on federal criminal sentencing; coached Bruce Siegal Intellectual Property Moot Court Team; served as guest lecturer in Evidence Law at University's Summer Scholars Program; developed semi-regular group fitness classes as part of Student Bar Association's student wellness program

Professorial Lecturer at Law

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

August 2016 – May 2018

Taught first-year legal research and writing in an adjunct capacity

PRACTICE

Assistant United States Attorney

U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

December 2019 – July 2022

Managed criminal investigations and prosecuted federal white collar and child exploitation offenses in the United States District Courts; litigated criminal appeals before the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals

Investigative Counsel

NEW YORK OFFICES OF THE STATE INSPECTOR GENERAL

October 2018 – November 2019

Supervised investigations into allegations of public corruption, fraud, waste, and abuse within New York state government agencies; authored white papers detailing investigative processes, presenting findings, and making recommendations for public dissemination

Special Assistant United States Attorney

U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

November 2012 – August 2013 (Alexandria Division)

September 2014 – September 2018 (Richmond Division)

Collaborated with federal law enforcement agencies to investigate and prosecute violations of the Controlled Substances Act, Adam Walsh Act, and various other federal criminal statutes within the Eastern District of Virginia; briefed and argued appeals of criminal matters before the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals

Assistant Attorney General, Computer Crimes Section

OFFICE OF THE VIRGINIA ATTORNEY GENERAL

September 2014 – September 2018

Served as statewide prosecutor and cross-designated Special Assistant United States Attorney specializing in computer crime, white collar fraud, and child exploitation offenses; advised Virginia General Assembly on bills related to digital investigations, cyber security, and computer crime; briefed and argued criminal appeals before the Virginia Court of Appeals, Virginia Supreme Court, and Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney

COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, HANOVER COUNTY, VIRGINIA

August 2013 – September 2014

Prosecuted state-level felonies and misdemeanors in Hanover County, Virginia; led multi-jurisdictional Vice Crime Task Force, which involved working with local, state, and federal law enforcement partners to develop investigations of illegal gambling, sex trafficking, and narcotics distribution offenses and prosecute resulting cases; taught criminal law at Hanover County Sheriff's Academy

EDUCATION

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW (Juris Doctorate, May 2012)

Activities and Honors: Notes Editor, Journal of Energy and Environmental Law; Presidential Merit Scholar; U.S. Department of Justice, Criminal Division intern

BALDWIN WALLACE UNIVERSITY (B.A. Political Science, *summa cum laude*, May 2008)

Activities and Honors: Theater minor concentration; semester study abroad program – University of the Sunshine Coast, Queensland, Australia

BAR ADMISSIONS, PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS, & CERTIFICATIONS

- NY State Bar (active, member in good standing)
- VA State Bar (associate, member in good standing)
- Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals
- Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals
- International Association of Computer Investigative Specialists (IACIS)
- Schwinn Indoor Cycling Group Instructor Certification

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

“Collecting and Admitting Digital Evidence at Trial,” IACIS Summer Conference Seminar (anticipated, April 2026)

“Introduction to Witness Examination,” University of Alabama Summer Scholars Lecture (July 2024)

Collecting and Admitting Digital Evidence at Trial (IACIS whitepaper, 2024)

What’s In Her Bag: The Unreasonably Gendered Expectation of Privacy (forthcoming, 2025)

The Case for Uniformly Above-the-Line Commentary in the U.S. Sentencing Manual (work-in-progress)

Reining in Judicial Discretion in Criminal History-Based Guideline Departures (work-in-progress)