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Professional

Member, Oregon State Bar, September 1981-Present.

Member, Washington State Bar, May 1987-Present (inactive).

Member, U.S. District Court Bar, District of Oregon, January 1985-Present.

Education

J.D., May 1981.

Willamette University College of Law, Salem, Oregon.

B.A., Criminal Justice and Sociology, June 1977.

The Evergreen State College, Olympia, Washington.

Legal

**Employment
Experience**

Clinical Law Professor

Lewis and Clark Legal Clinic, Northwestern College of Law
Portland, Oregon, 1990-Present.

Teach upper division law students in civil clinical law program, primarily domestic relations, focusing on domestic violence, including substantive law and practical skills. Supervise students who handle all aspects of client representation, including initial interviews, correspondence, negotiations, discovery and appearing in court and administrative hearings. Some appellate work. Teach Client Interviewing and Counseling class and coach school's client counseling moot court competition teams. Co-teach classroom component of school's externship program. CLE speaker in the areas of client counseling, family law, domestic violence, working with low income clients, and ethics and professionalism.

Served as a consultant to the legal clinic at the Faculty of Law at the University of Latvia, Riga, Latvia. Designed and participated in three-day training session in Riga, October, 1999. Worked with Latvian clinicians in Portland, Oregon, Spring semester, 1999, and Winter semester, 2001. Returned to Latvia for two weeks in October, 2003, for follow-up training and assessment.

Served as a Legal Consultant with ABA/CEELI (American Bar Association/Central and Eastern European Law Initiative) in Croatia February to April, 2002. Reviewed, evaluated, and made recommendations regarding clinical programs at three faculties of law who had received ABA/CEELI grants to establish or enhance clinical programs.

Adjunct Professor/Supervising Attorney

Willamette University College of Law
Salem, Oregon, 1986-1990.

Taught upper division law students in civil and criminal clinical law settings, including substantive law and practical skills, primarily in the area of family law. Supervised students handling client caseloads. Advised Client Interviewing and Counseling Competition teams, including team representing U.S. in 1988 International Competition in London, England.

Staff Attorney/Managing Attorney

Hyatt Legal Services
Portland, Oregon, 1985-1986.

Provided legal services in general practice law firm, including dissolutions, probate, bankruptcies, civil litigation, guardianships, landlord/tenant issues, and misdemeanors. Negotiated settlements to cases; represented clients in court and at administrative hearings, drafted pleadings, researched legal issues. Managed an office, including hiring, training, supervising, evaluating, and terminating attorneys and support staff. Assisted in in-firm CLE programs.

Field Representative

Oregon School Employees Association
Salem and Portland, Oregon, 1981-1985.

Negotiated collective bargaining agreements. Represented employees in administrative hearings. Investigated potential grievances and unfair labor practices. Represented union and employees at unfair labor practice and unit clarification hearings before the Employment Relations Board and National Labor Relations Board and in grievance hearings and arbitrations. Participated in union organizing activities and training sessions for union members.

Law Clerk Law Clerk, Salem, Oregon, 1979-81.

Other Employment Facilitator for nonprofit agency meetings and planning sessions, 1988-1995.

Income Tax Counselor, Seattle, Washington, 1978.

Civil Litigation Paralegal/Office Manager, Olympia, Washington, 1976-77.

Human Resources Assistant/Governor's Office Intern, Olympia, Washington, 1975.

Youth Agency Summer Camp Staff Member, Washington and Oregon, 1973-78.

Other Information Oregon State Bar Special Task Force on the Unlawful Practice of Law, Chair, 2010-Present.

Oregon State Bar Client Security Fund Committee, Member, 2010-Present.

Oregon State Bar Discipline Board, Member, 2010-Present. Member, Oregon State Bar Board of Governors, 2006-2009. Served on Access to Justice, Appointments, and Member Services Committees, as well as several special committees and task forces.

Recipient, Multnomah Bar Association Award of Merit, 2005.

Recipient, Oregon State Bar Presidents Membership Services Award, 2000.

Recipient, Oregon State Bar New Lawyers Division Pro Bono Challenge Award, 1998.

Recipient, Volunteer of the Year Award, Multnomah Bar Association Volunteer Lawyers Project, 1992.

Oregon State Bar Unlawful Practice of Law Committee, 2001-05; Secretary 2001; Chair 2002.

Oregon State Bar Pro Bono Committee, Member 1997-99; Chair 1999-2001.

Oregon State Bar Lawyer Referral and Modest Means Committee, Member 1994-95; Secretary 1995-96; Chair 1996-97.

Oregon State Bar Public Service and Information Committee, Member 1991-92; Secretary 1992-93; Chair 1993-94.

Oregon State Bar Affirmative Action Committee, Member 1986-89.

Oregon State Bar Litigation Section Executive Committee, 1995-2004; Officer, 2000 - 2004.

Oregon State Bar Board of Bar Governors Executive Committee on Access to Justice, Member 1992-94; Secretary 1994-95. (Special Appointment by Board of Bar Governors.)

Multnomah Bar Association Court Liaison Committee, 2004-2007.

Multnomah Bar Association Judicial Screening Committee, 2001 - 2004; Chair, 2003-2004.

Multnomah Bar Association Continuing Legal Education Committee, 1998-2001.

Multnomah Bar Association Committee to Advance Equality in the Profession and the Justice System, Member 1994-97; Chair 1994-96.

Multnomah Bar Association Professionalism Committee, 1991-94.

Cascade AIDS Project Board of Directors, Portland, Oregon, Secretary 1985-91; Vice Chair 1991-93; Chair 1993-94.

Judge, Willamette University College of Law and Northwestern College of Law Moot Court competitions, including Mock Trial, Moot Court, Labor Law and Client Counseling.

Member and Officer, National Lawyers Guild, 1979-Present; Regional Organizer, 1986-90; Regional Vice President, 1990-92; Executive Vice President, 1993-98.

National Lawyers Guild AIDS Network, Executive Board and Executive Committee, 1989-94.

Legal Access Project, Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, Advisory Board Member, 1993-95.

Oregon State Bar Family and Juvenile Law Section Subcommittee on FAPA legislation and judicial deskbook preparation, 1995.

Multnomah County Family Violence Intervention Committee Court Liaison Subcommittee, Chair 1998-Present.

Tri-County Legal Access Project of Multnomah County Legal Aid and Oregon Legal Services Advisory Board, 1998-00.

Extensive travel experience throughout Oregon, Washington, the United States, Canada and Europe.