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### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

#### **American University Washington College of Law, Washington, DC**

*Practitioner in Residence*, July 2025 to present.

- Co-teach the Gender Justice Clinic's weekly seminar on foundational lawyering skills for civil law practice. Supervise law students serving low-to-moderate income clients' legal matters including health law, public benefits, and family law. Supervise students in systems reform legal advocacy projects for community-based partners.

#### **George Washington University Law School, Washington, DC**

*Visiting Associate Professor of Clinical Law | Director, Health Rights Law Clinic*, July 2022–June 2025

- Designed and taught the Health Rights Law Clinic. Taught weekly seminars on health law, administrative law, legal ethics, client-centered lawyering skills, and well-being and professional identity formation. Partnered with a community mental health provider to address patients' unmet civil legal needs. Supervise law students representing low-income DC residents with health-harming civil legal needs including Medicaid eligibility, long-term care services, and public benefits.
- Guest speaker on public benefits in the Racial Justice and Social Equity in Public Interest Lawyering Reading Group. Spring 2023, Spring 2024, and Fall 2024

#### **American University Washington College of Law, Washington, DC**

*Adjunct Professorial Lecturer*, Summer 2020–Summer 2021

- Taught 2-credit Legal Ethics course. Adapted curriculum for online learning due to COVID-19-related campus closures.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

*Procedural Due Process in Times of Disaster: Unemployment Benefit Administration during the COVID-19 Pandemic* (work in progress).

*Reimagining Access to Clinical and Experiential Legal Education: Supporting Disabled Students with a Disability Justice Framework* (work in progress).

Editor, *Unemployment Insurance, Labor & Employment Law*, 1 THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PRACTICE MANUAL (29th ed. 2022).

*Responding to Catastrophic Job Loss during COVID-19: Mobilizing Resources for Unemployment Insurance Legal Matters*, MGMT. INFO. EXCH. J., Summer 2020, at 28.

Editor, American Bar Association, Unemployment Insurance and Domestic Violence, 2 THE IMPACT OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ON YOUR LEGAL PRACTICE 325-331 (3d ed. 2018).

Note, Fighting for Our Lives: The DC Trans Coalition's Campaign for Humane Treatment of Transgender Inmates in District of Columbia Correctional Facilities, 11 GEO. J. GENDER & L. 837 (2010).

Editor, *Annual Review of Gender, Sexuality & the Law*, Prostitution and Sex Work, 10 GEO. J. GENDER & L. 433 (2009).

## **EDUCATION**

**Georgetown University Law Center**, Washington, DC

*Juris Doctor, cum laude*, 2010

Editor in Chief, GEORGETOWN JOURNAL OF GENDER AND THE LAW, Vol. XI

Clinics: Domestic Violence Clinic and Street Law Clinic

**Vassar College**, Poughkeepsie, NY

Bachelor of Arts, 2004

Departmental Honors in Women's Studies

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia**, Washington, DC

*Supervising Attorney*, August 2020–June 2022

*Senior Staff Attorney*, January–August 2020

- Co-supervised twelve attorneys and two legal assistants providing free legal representation in a broad range of medical assistance and public benefits legal matters.
- Chaired the D.C. Consortium of Legal Services Providers' COVID-19 Emergency Response Committee on Workers' Rights.
- Designed and co-led a COVID-19 legal response team securing unemployment benefits for more than 700 low-income clients from 2020–2021.

**Legal Aid Society of San Diego**, San Diego, CA

*Staff Attorney, Consumer Center for Health, Education & Advocacy*, 2018–2019

- Represented low-income individuals as a Registered Legal Services Attorney in a range of health law matters, including Medicaid (Medi-Cal), health insurance denials of care, home health aide services, and medical debt.

**Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia**, *Washington, DC*

*Senior Staff Attorney*, 2016–2018

*Staff Attorney*, 2013–2016

*Equal Justice Works Fellow*, 2011–2013

- Represented clients at all stages of litigation in Medicaid, personal care aide, Social Security disability, unemployment compensation, and other public benefits matters.
- Annually trained DC government employees on unemployment compensation eligibility for survivors of domestic violence.
- Led a coalition of advocates to secure a legislative change increasing unemployment benefits in the District of Columbia, increasing benefit output by \$16.8 million in the first six months of implementation.

**U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia**, Washington, DC  
*Law Clerk to the late Hon. Alan Kay, Magistrate Judge, 2010–2011*

### **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

Moderator, *State and Federal Landscape of Trans Rights and Cases*, Symposium, American University Journal of Gender, Social Policy and the Law, June 2026.

Co-facilitator, *Medical-Legal Partnership Working Group*, 2025 AALS Annual Conference on Clinical Legal Education, April 2025.

*Procedural Due Process in Times of Disaster: Unemployment Benefit Administration during the COVID-19 Pandemic* (work in progress). Presented at:

- Mid-Atlantic Clinicians Summer Writing Workshop, July 2024
- Mid-Atlantic Regional Clinical Conference, February 2024
- AALS 2023 Conference on Clinical Legal Education, April 2023
- Poverty Law Conference, March 2023

Panelist, *Scholarship is Resistance: The Mid-Atlantic Clinicians Writers Workshop as a Model for Fostering Collaboration and Community Among Clinical Scholars*, AALS 2024 Conference on Clinical Legal Education, May 2024.

Co-presenter, *Reimagining Access to Clinical and Experiential Legal Education: Supporting Disabled Students with a Disability Justice Framework*, AALS 2024 Conference on Clinical Legal Education, May 2024.

Co-presenter, *Expanding Access to Clinical Legal Education and Supporting Clinical Students with Disabilities*, AALS 2023 Conference on Clinical Legal Education, April 2023.

Facilitator, *Poverty Law & Public Benefits Working Group*, 2023 AALS Annual Conference on Clinical Legal Education, April 2023.

Panelist, *Creating and Maintaining a Clinical Scholarship Community*, Mid-Atlantic Regional Clinical Conference, February 2023.

Panelist, *Helping the Helpers: Addressing Secondary Trauma to Support Sustainable Service*, National Association of Law Professionals Annual Education Conference, April 2019.

## **SELECTED MEDIA**

[Health Rights Law Clinic Restores Essential Home Health Aid for DC Resident with Disabilities](#), GW Law News Stories, Aug. 12, 2024.

Quoted in [Labor Dept. watchdog: More than \\$45B in insurance fraud claimed during pandemic](#), NEXSTAR, Sept. 28, 2022.

Quoted in [Labor Department offers unemployment claw back guidance](#), NPR MARKETPLACE, Feb. 9, 2022.

Interviewed for [How the Pandemic Transformed the Courts](#), WASH. LAWYER, Sept./Oct. 2020.

Quoted in [This fall, back-to-school may block back-to-work for many parents](#), NPR MARKETPLACE, Aug. 18, 2020.

Quoted in [Ahead of Trump inauguration, this group trains bystanders to stand up to hate](#), WASH. POST, Jan. 17, 2017.

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & MEMBERSHIPS**

*Mentor*, American University Washington College of Law Public Interest/Public Service (PIPS) Scholarship Program, Washington, DC, Spring 2026.

*Co-facilitator*, Mid-Atlantic Clinicians Writing Workshop, Virtual, 2023–2025.

- Co-host monthly scholarship workshops. Hosted twenty clinical faculty at GW Law for a Summer Writing Workshop, July 2024.

*Member*, Clinical Legal Education Association (CLEA)

*Member*, National LGBTQ+ Bar Association

*Member*, Washington Council of Lawyers, Public-Interest Bar Association

## **BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS**

District of Columbia (2011)

Maryland (2010)

U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia (2011)