



- Introduced and facilitated coordination of work between Legal Research and Writing course and small sections of Contracts.
- Responsible for administration of class-wide Appellate Advocacy program, with invited outside judges.
- Definition of common curriculum for upper level Legal Research and Writing III seminar.
- Created and taught upper level elective in drafting of legal documents.
- Responsible for advertising, screening, interviewing and recommending hiring of full-time and part-time Legal Research and Writing Faculty and for evaluation of Legal Research and Writing Faculty for reappointment and promotion.
- Developed standards and procedures providing for long-term appointments that were adopted by Law Faculty and approved by University; served on Committee that obtained faculty approval in Spring of 2006 to move to tenure track appointments for legal writing and clinical faculty.
- Developed and presented workshops for law review candidates and note and comment editors on topic selection, writing of student articles, editing and citation.
- Presented guest lectures on legal writing to entering LLM students.

Courses taught: Legal Research and Writing I (Analysis and Objective Writing); Legal Research and Writing II (Persuasive Advocacy); Legal Research and Writing III (Client Letters, Litigation drafting, Trial Motions and Memoranda, Advanced Research); Drafting (new course); Education Law, Special Education Law Seminar; Comparative Education Law (Summer Study Abroad 2003 at Downing College, Cambridge). Guest lecturer in classes including Children and the Law, Education and the Law, Special Education Law (School of Education).

Instructor 1993-97  
Suffolk University Law School

- Teaching of legal analysis, writing, research and oral advocacy.
- Development and co-teaching of Pre-Trial Litigation course using simulation approach.

Courses taught: Legal Practice Skills (3 sections of approximately 20 students, day and evening divisions); Civil Pre-Trial Litigation (with Professor Linda Simard).

Lecturer in Law 1978-79  
Northeastern University School of Law

Course taught: Trial Practice (with Anthony Sager)

Instructor 1976-78  
Boston University School of Law

Course taught: Legal Research and Writing

### ***LEGAL EXPERIENCE***

Admitted: Massachusetts, 1974; Arkansas, 1998

Of Counsel 1988-91  
Heidlage & Reece, P.C.  
One Liberty Square  
Boston, Massachusetts

Staff Counsel 1985-88  
Supreme Judicial Court  
1300 New Courthouse  
Boston, Massachusetts

Associate 1980-85  
Herrick & Smith  
100 Federal Street  
Boston, Massachusetts

Assistant Attorney General 1975-1980  
Government Bureau  
Department of the Attorney General  
Boston, Massachusetts

Judicial Clerkship 1974-1975  
Hon. W. Arthur Garrity, Jr.  
United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts

### ***EDUCATION***

New York University Law School J.D. Cum Laude 1974

Editor, New York University Law Review  
New York University Scholar  
John Norton Pomeroy Prize

Order of the Coif

Mount Holyoke College

B.A. With Distinction 1970

Political Science Major

Dartmouth College, Twelve College Exchange Program, 1969-70

## ***PUBLICATIONS***

*Brown Comes to Boston: A Courtside View* in *LAW TOUCHED OUR HEARTS: A GENERATION REMEMBERS BROWN V. BOARD OF EDUCATION* (Mildred Wigfall Robinson and Richard J. Bonnie, eds. Vanderbilt University Press 2009).

*Schaffer v. Weast*, ABA Preview (September 2005).

*Rowley Comes Home to Roost: Judicial Review of Methodology Disputes in Autism Special Education Cases* 9 U.C. Davis J. Juv. L. & Pol'y 217 (2005).

*Why is a Legal Memorandum Like an Onion: A Student's Guide to Reviewing and Editing*, 56 Mercer L. Rev. 729 (2005).

*And Now for Something Completely Different...*, 18 The Second Draft 10 (June 2004).  
*Step - by- Step: A Guide to Disciplining Children with Disabilities*, 2002 Ark. Law Notes 65 (2002)(adapted from article previously published in the Arizona Law Review).

*A Practical Education: Putting Research and Writing to Work*, 16 The Second Draft 5 (May 2002).

*Living in the Sunlight: Showcasing the Legal Writing Faculty*, AALS Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning and Research, Section Newsletter, Spring 2002, at 3.

*Legal Research and Writing*, Arkansas Law Record, Fall/Winter 2002, at 18-19.

*A Diller, A Dollar: Section 1983 Damage Claims in Special Education Lawsuits* 36 Georgia L. Rev. 465 (2002).

*An analysis of the interrelationship of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and Section 1983 with respect to damage claims, examining the statutory text, legislative history, presumptions as to remedies, and federalism concerns.*

*An IDEA Schools Can Use: Lessons from Special Education Legislation* 29 Fordham Urban L. J. 759 (2001).

*A look at the educational, legal and policy critiques of special education legislation within the context of current regular and special education reform proposals; a call*

*for a commitment to an appropriate education for all children.*

*Testing the Waters*, 15 *The Second Draft* 12 (June 2001).

*Descriptions of collaborative peer editing and persuasive advocacy approaches used in the First Year Legal Research and Writing course.*

*Not as Simple as ABC: Disciplining Children With Disabilities Under the 1997 IDEA Amendments*, 42 *Ariz. L. Rev.* 77 (2000).

*A review and critique of the statutory and regulatory scheme under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act as it regulates school districts' discipline of children with disabilities.*

*Holding a Citation Carnival*, 8 *Perspectives* 18 (Fall 1999).

*A brief description of a group exercise which forces students to use the Bluebook and consolidates citation form skills.*

*Beyond "Bingo!"-- Educating Legal Researchers as Problem Solvers*, 26 *Wm. Mitchell L. Rev.* 180 (2000).

*Principles and strategies for the construction of an effective curriculum of legal research assignments.*

*Choosing and Using Legal Authority: The Top Ten Tips*, 6 *Perspectives* 1 (Fall 1997) (with Thomas H. Seymour); reprinted in *The Best of Perspectives* 73 (2001).

*In an article designed for students, the authors examine the impact of hierarchy, jurisdiction, primary and secondary sources and legal and factual similarity on the choice of authority in writing a legal document, and provide examples illustrating each consideration.*

*Coordinating Civil Procedure and Legal Writing: A Field Experience*, 47 *J. Legal Educ.* 246 (1997) (with Joseph Glannon, Linda Sandstrom Simard, and Medb Sichko)

*Critiquing the often passive nature of learning in the law school classroom, and stressing the importance of context to lasting learning, the authors evaluate the results of a coordinated syllabus addressing these aspects of legal education.*

Book Review, *Bimonthly Review of Law Books*, October 1995 (reviewing Kent Greenawalt, *Fighting Words* (1995)).

Video Reviews, *Legal Video Reviews*, May 1994 at 5 (reviewing Opening Statement, Closing Argument, What Every Female Litigator Should Know).

*Litigating a Special Education Appeal*, 71 *Mass. L. Rev.* 37 (1986) (co-author with Ellen Janos)

*In the course of providing guidance to the parties to such appeals, the authors*

*identify questions regarding scope of review and substantive rights where the interaction of state and federal law remains undefined, and suggest appropriate resolutions.*

*Materials on Unjust Dismissal and At-Will Employment* (MCLE-NELI, Inc. 1984)(co-author with Prof. Elizabeth Spahn)

*Massachusetts Materials on Unjust Dismissal and At-Will Employment* (MCLE-NELI, Inc. 1983)

"Appellate Practice in the United States Court of Appeals", *Appellate Practice: A View From the Bench* (MCLE-NELI, Inc. 1980) (jointly prepared by members of the Womens Bar Association of Massachusetts)

*Litigation in the Fast Lane* (materials on expediting civil litigation), Litigation Section, Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts (1979) (co-author with Janis Berry)

*Pinocchio's New Nose*, 48 N.Y.U. L. Rev. 339 (1973) (lie detector evidence)

## **PRESENTATIONS**

*What Makes for Good Teaching*, Association of Legal Writing Directors, Kansas City, Missouri, July 2009.

*The ABA Accreditation Process*, co-presenter, Association of Legal Writing Directors, Kansas City, Missouri, July 2009.

*Teaching Legal Writing Beyond the Office Memo*, presenter at Delaware Valley Legal Writing Consortium at the University of Pennsylvania Law School, November 2008.

*We're Quacking as Fast as We Can: Building a Tenure-Track Legal Writing Program from the Ground Up*, co-presenter at the 13th Biennial Conference of the Legal Writing Institute, Indianapolis, Indiana, July 2008.

*Staffing Models*, Breakout Session Co-leader, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, Denver, Colorado, June 14-16, 2007.

*Directing a Tenure-Track Legal Writing Program: An Oxymoron?*, Roundtable Discussion, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, Denver, Colorado, June 14-16, 2007.

*How to Use Your Scholarship to Win Friends and Influence People*, Legal Writing Institute Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, July 2006.

*Understanding and Preventing Plagiarism*, Guest Lecture to Honors College Students, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas, January 27, 2006.

*Brainstorming the Upper Level Writing Curriculum*, Roundtable Discussion, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, Chicago, Illinois, July, 2005.

*Special Education in Arkansas: Procedures, Policies and the Evolution of the Law*, (5.5 hour CLE) MEDS/PDN, Little Rock, Arkansas, February 28, 2005.

*Bringing Arkansas Special Education Law into Focus*, (5.5 hour CLE) MEDS/PDN, Fayetteville, Arkansas, November, 2004.

*Scholarship– After the Draft is Written*, Moderator, Legal Writing Institute Conference, Seattle, Washington, July 24, 2004.

*Bringing Arkansas Special Education Law into Focus*, (5.5 hour CLE) MEDS/PDN, Fayetteville, Arkansas, November, 2003.

*Autism and In-Home Therapy: How the Courts are Sorting it Out*, Virginia Education Law Conference, Williamsburg, Virginia, April 24, 2003.

*Legal Aspects of Diagnosing Autism* (panelist), Arkansas Association of School Psychologists, Springdale, Arkansas, December 6, 2002.

*Special Education Law in Arkansas*, (5.5 hour CLE) MEDS/PDN, Fayetteville, Arkansas, November 15, 2002.

*Investing Students in Their Work: Self-selected Drafting Projects in Advanced Legal Research and Writing* (with Richard J. Peltz, UALR), Legal Writing Institute Conference, Seattle, Washington, July 2000.

*Writing to Persuade: A Hands-on Program in Writing*, Arkansas Bar Association (CLE), Ft. Smith, Arkansas, May 12, 2000.

*Citation Carnival*, Central Region LRW/Lawyering Skills Conference, Kansas City, Missouri, September 25, 1999.

*Changing of the Guard: Influencing and Participating in the Dean Search Process*, Plenary Session, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, Boston, Massachusetts, July 1999.

*Hiring, Promotion and Firing of Contract LRW Faculty: Process and Practice*, Panel Moderator and Presenter (with Louis Sirico, Villanova and Grace Tonner, Michigan), Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, Boston, Massachusetts, July 1999.

*The Tender Trap of the Tenure Track: Teaching, Service, Scholarship (and oh yes, Administration)*, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, Boston, Massachusetts, July 1999.

*Developing a Direction: Student-Selected Research and Drafting Projects in Advanced Legal Research and Writing*, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, Boston, Massachusetts, July 1999.

*Arguing Your Case In Writing: Sharpening Your Written Advocacy Skills*, Arkansas Bar Association, 1999 Annual Meeting, Hot Springs, Arkansas, June 12, 1999.

*Recent Developments in Special Education Law*, Mid-South Conference on Education Law (CLE), Memphis, Tennessee, April 30, 1999.

*Persuading the Court: Oral and Written Advocacy*, University of Arkansas Continuing Legal Education, Fayetteville, Arkansas, September 25, 1998.

*Developing the Independent Researcher* (with Jane Gionfriddo, Boston College), Legal Writing Institute Conference, Ann Arbor, Michigan, June, 1998.

*Collaborating with Doctrinal Faculty in Developing Research and Writing Assignments* (Panelist with Diana Pratt, Wayne State University and Pamela Lysaght, Detroit Mercy), Legal Writing Institute Conference, Ann Arbor, Michigan, June 1998.

*Coordination of Legal Writing with Other First Year Courses*, Central States Law Schools Association Annual Meeting, Tulsa, Oklahoma, October 1997.

*Coordination of LRW and Other First Year Courses: A Panel Discussion*, Panel Moderator and Presenter (with Judith Fischer, Chapman, Pamela Lysaght, Detroit Mercy, Arnold Siegel, Loyola Los Angeles, and Louis Sirico, Villanova), Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, Chicago, Illinois, July 1997.

Other, prior presentations include programs for Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education, Inc. (MCLE) on employment and litigation topics, and for the Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts.

## ***PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT***

### ***National Organizations***

#### Legal Writing Institute

President, 2004-06  
President-Elect, 2002-04  
Board of Directors, 1998-present  
Conference Committee Co-Chair for 2004 Conference  
Chair, Elections Committee for 2004 Elections  
Program Committee for 2002 Conference  
Co-chair, New Member Outreach Committee, 1998-2000

#### Association of Legal Writing Directors

Outreach Committee, 2002  
Program Committee, 1999  
Co-chair, Membership Committee 2001  
Organizer, ALWD New(er) Directors' Roundtable, AALS Annual Meeting, San Francisco, January 2001.

### ***Regional, State and Local Organizations***

Delaware Valley Legal Writing Workshops, organizer and member, 2007-present

#### Central States Region LRW/Lawyering Skills Conference

Conference Planning Committee, 1999, 2001  
Program Planning Co-Chair, 1999

#### Arkansas Bar Association

Appellate Practice Committee, 1999-2001

#### Massachusetts Bar Association

Professional Ethics Committee, Vice-Chair 1984-1988, Member 1982-1984  
Participant in Law-Related Education Activities, Committee Member and "coach"  
for in-school mock trials

Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts

President, 1981-1982  
Vice-President, 1980-1981  
Board of Directors, Appointments Committee

Advisory Committee on Ethical Opinions for Clerks of Court, Attorney Member, 1990-1997

Board of Bar Overseers, Hearing Committee Member, 1988-1994

Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts Committee on Lawyer Solicitation, Member,  
1984-85

Flute Section, Arkansas Winds, Fayetteville, AR, 1997-2006

Past Co-President of elementary school PTA

Past President of After-School Program

*Law School and University*

*Drexel University College of Law*

2009-10 Tenure Committee, Chair; Long-Term Planning Committee

2008-09 Tenure Committee, Chair; Long-Term Planning Committee  
Coach, BALSAMoot Court competition team  
Coach, Admiralty Law Moot Court competition teams

2007-08 Tenure Committee, Chair; Long-Term Planning Committee

2006-07 Self-Study Committee, Chair; Professional Development Committee, Chair; Tenure  
Standards Committee; Lateral Hiring Committee

Senate Faculty Representative 2006-09; Senate Faculty Affairs Committee

*University of Arkansas School of Law*

2005-2006 Orientation Committee, Chair; Curriculum Committee; Legal Writing Committee;  
Self-Study Committee; Special Committee on Clinical Faculty Status

2004-2005 Orientation Committee, Chair; Curriculum Committee; Legal Writing Committee;

Disabled Students Committee

Judge, Fall Moot Court Competition; Negotiations Competition

2003-2004      Orientation Committee, Chair; Legal Writing Committee

Judge, Fall and Spring Moot Court Competitions

Advisor for two Law Review Candidates

Advisor for student-authored article published in Journal of Law & Education

2002-2003      Orientation Committee, Chair; Library Director Search Committee; Legal Writing Committee; Ad-Hoc Committee on Upper Level Legal Writing Requirement

Faculty Supervisor, Judicial Externship program, Spring semester

Judge, Fall and Spring Moot Court Competitions

Coach, Vanderbilt First Amendment Moot Court Competition Team

2001-2002      Orientation Committee; Legal Writing Committee; Curriculum Committee

Faculty Supervisor, Judicial Externship program, Spring semester

Judge, Fall Moot Court Competition

Coach, Vanderbilt First Amendment Moot Court Competition Team

2000-2001      Dean's Staff Working Group; Curriculum Committee; Legal Writing Committee; Orientation Committee; Special Committee on Academic Support Professionalism and Skills Working Group

Judge, Fall Moot Court Competition

Coach, Vanderbilt First Amendment Moot Court Competition Team

Advisor for Law Review Candidate

1999-2000      Dean's Staff Working Group; Chair, Special Committee on Externships; Member ex-officio, Special Committee on Promotions and Tenure; Curriculum Committee; Legal Writing Committee; Orientation Committee; Skills Working Group

Judge for Trial Advocacy and Fall Moot Court Competitions

1998-99 Dean Search Committee; Member ex-officio, Special Committee on Promotions and Tenure; Curriculum Committee; Legal Writing Committee; Skills Competitions Committee; Special Committee on Academic Support; Ad Hoc Orientation Committee

Judge for Negotiations, Client Counseling, Fall and Spring Moot Court Competitions, Practice round judge for intramural moot court teams

Advisor for law review comment by 1999-2000 editor-in-chief

1997-98 Curriculum Committee; Special Committee on Grading; Ad Hoc Orientation Committee; Legal Writing Committee

Judge for Negotiations, Client Counseling, Fall and Spring Moot Court Competitions, Practice round judge for intramural moot court teams