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Licensed & Practicing Attorney Since 1990
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Licensed Colorado Attorney
Licensed Illinois Attorney

Member Federal District Court
Member Federal Trial Bar

LEGAL, MANAGEMENT & EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Denver Sturm College of Law Director, Center for Advocacy; Professor of the Practice

August 2009-Present

- Appointed as inaugural director for The Center for Advocacy in 2009.
Manage law school's Center for Advocacy (CFA) which is dedicated to professional teaching and preparation of law school students through simulated litigation and courtroom procedure, focusing on applied critical thinking, issue identification, applied evidence, vertical case development, factual synthesis, persuasive writing, and flash advocacy, spanning the four primary areas of advocacy required in the practice of the legal profession: *Pre-Trial Advocacy; Trial Advocacy; Appellate Advocacy; Client Advocacy.*
- Consistently held Top 15 national ranking (USN&WR) since third year of CFA's inception
- Manage general operations of nationally-ranked Center for Advocacy and all related courses, roundtables, guest speakers series, CLE segment creation and presentations, educational events, and primers.
- Teach 8-14 courses per year on average
- Oversee and coordinate 24 Adjunct Instructors and courses.
- Oversee and coordinate Adjunct Instructors and budgets for 13 national trial advocacy and moot court traveling appellate teams
- Head Coach, National Trial Team

Courses Conceived, Designed & Taught

Day 1 Civil Practice Lab
Day 1 Criminal Practice Lab
Trial Practice I - Intensive
Trial Practice III – Mentors' Practicum
Trial Practice III – National Trial Team
Trial Practice III – Trial Practicum

Additional Courses Taught

Trial Practice I – Basic Courtroom Practice
Trial Practice II – Advanced Courtroom Practice
Evidence
Evidence Practicum

Advocacy Events Created &/Or Managed

The National Summit Cup (created 2017)
The Advocates Cup (created 2014)
The Hoffman

Faculty Advisor

Trial Advocacy Board
Moot Court Board
Student Trial Lawyers Association

Faculty Committee Assignments

University Senator
Chairman, Faculty Executive Committee
Member, Modern Learning Committee
Member, EAC Task Force

Various Programming Development

Facilitated, hosted and participated in numerous seminars, roundtables, and workshops on topics ranging from evidence, ethics, critical thinking
Produced various accredited Live CLE & Home Study programming for alumni education.
Authored 50-page instructional packet for litigation and trial procedure.

THEMIS® Bar Review.

National Evidence Lecturer for bar review preparatory and review course.

2010-Present.

- Trial Attorney.** 1998 – Present.
Current licensed & practicing trial attorney. *Of Counsel*, Kurtz & Peckham, P.C.; The Olson Firm; Bruno Colin Jewell & Lowe. Trial attorney practicing in areas of commercial litigation, personal injury, and domestic relations, handling all aspects of client relations and litigation, including but not limited to investigation, discovery and depositions, negotiation, and trial presentation. 36 jury trials to verdict. In excess of 1,000 depositions, 500 mediations, arbitrations, and bench trials. Additionally, served as counsel to corporate entities, including serving as general counsel to various profit and not-for-profit corporate entities. From 1998-2002, served as consultant for clients including : Dr. Pepper (*Dallas*); Starz-Encore (*Denver*); Allen & Co-NYC (*Fortune 100*); MAMSI Health Systems (*D.C.*); SuperValu (*Fortune 68*); Secured Funding (*Schwann's Intl*).
- CamBar Industries, Inc.** Florence, Alabama. 1997–1998.
One-year interim General Counsel and Chief Operating Officer to steel service center and tube mill operation. Responsible for all day-to-day operations, policy drafting, EEOC compliance, hiring/firing, contract drafting/negotiations, management strategies, budget forecasting, long-term strategic and organizational planning. Managed company growth from annual sales of \$300,000 to \$3M.
- Hedeen International.** Green Bay, Wisconsin. 1996-1997.
General Counsel for creative development/ real estate company, during which time served as Litigation Counsel & Manager in successful \$33M settlement of trademark infringement action. \$1.2M litigation operating budget.
- Cook County State's Attorney's Office.** Chicago, Illinois. 1992-1996.
Assistant State's Attorney. Litigation and trial attorney in vertical case management system.
- Associate Trial Attorney.** Chicago, Illinois. 1991-1992.
Associate attorney in forty-attorney civil defense firm, practicing products liability, Structural Work Act, and premises liability litigation defense. Six jury trials to verdict.
- Public Defender's Office.** Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. 1989-1990.
Law Clerk/Intern responsible for research and writing criminal appeals.
- Levere Educational Foundation.** Chicago, Illinois. 1985-1987.
Educational Consultant . Designed and delivered educational undergraduate programming at 172 colleges.

TEACHING & EDUCATIONAL FACILITATION EXPERIENCE

- University of Denver Sturm College of Law.** 2005-2009.
Adjunct Instructor for *Basic Trial Practice* and *Advanced Trial Practice*.
- The Providence Foundation of Law & Leadership.** 2004-2016.
Serve as Founder and Chairman, as well as course instructor, for 501(c)(3) Foundation with mission to provide college scholarships to students displaying dedication to community leadership and critical thinking skills.
- National Institute for Trial Advocacy (NITA).** 2006-2009.
Faculty Instructor for nationwide trial lawyers college, charged with educating practicing attorneys in areas of trial strategy, evidentiary rules, and courtroom decorum.
- High School Trial Team Head Coach.** 1999–2009.
Volunteer head coach for Regis Jesuit Academy and Bear Creek trial teams. Entails six-month, semi-weekly commitment to education of approximately 55 students and management of 11 coaches.

- University of Denver.** 2005-2006.
Summer course instructor and curriculum developer for RMTS Department for gifted and talented students.
- National Institute of Legal Education (NILE).** 1997-2001.
Trial Tactics Course Designer and Instructor. Developed and implemented curriculum for summer trial tactics program sponsored by NILE for summer programming on campuses of Stanford and The American Universities.
- Constitutional Rights Foundation.** Chicago, Illinois. 1994–1996.
Volunteer Program Developer and Instructor for teaching U.S. Constitution in the Chicago Public School system.
- Various Collegiate Instruction.** 1999-2002.
Adjunct Course Designer/ Instructor, developed and implemented curriculum for collegiate undergraduates.

BOARDS, ADVISORY POSITIONS, AWARDS

Colorado Center for Career Education - Criminal Justice Advisory Board Member
Providence Foundation of Law & Leadership - Board of Directors, Chairman
Everyday Hero – Channel 7, ABC Affiliate, Denver
Arapahoe County Bar Association Award for Merit in Community Service

EDUCATION

University of Pittsburgh School of Law. May 1990. Juris Doctorate Recipient.
Carnegie-Mellon University. May 1985. B.S. Degree Recipient. Management & Policy Analysis.

INTERESTS & HOBBIE

Guitar/Singing. Creative Writing. Tennis. Licorice.