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Education

University of Georgia School of Law, Athens, Georgia

J.D. *magna cum laude*, 1994, graduated 12/190 (top 6%)

Honors: Order of the Coif

William King Meadow Award, 1994 - given annually to the individual law graduate who best exemplifies the integrity, sense of responsibility, and high standards of the legal profession

Am Jur Award – Constitutional Law; Am Jur Award – Corporations

Activities: Public Interest Practicum – inaugural class member

Western Judicial Circuit Criminal Legal Aid Clinic

Court Appointed Special Advocate volunteer

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia

B.A., with distinction, 1991 – History and French double major

Experience

University of Georgia School of Law, Athens, GA

Clinical Associate Professor

Family Justice Clinic seminar – Fall 2015-present

Law and Social Justice: Strategic Advocacy – Fall 2022, Spring 2022, Fall 2020, Fall 2019

Service-learning discussion-based class for undergraduates

Family Law – Spring 2022, Fall 2021, Spring 2021, Fall 2018

Spring 2021-Spring 2022: small section class taught using collaborative learning pedagogy

Fall 2018: large lecture-style class with 65 law students enrolled

Director, Jane W. Wilson Family Justice Clinic – July 2015-present

Clinical supervisor for 2L and 3L students certified to practice in Superior Courts under the Student Practice Act representing indigent survivors of domestic violence in protective order and related domestic relations proceedings

1994-1997, Adjunct Instructor, Public Interest Practicum

Assisted Professor Milner Ball in teaching and student supervision in Public Interest Practicum. Designed, implemented and secured initial funding for Protective Order Project. Supervised law students enrolled in Public Interest Practicum and placed with the Project. In 1998, Project folded into the Civil Clinics program, and was renamed Family Violence Clinic

Daniels & Taylor, P.C., Lawrenceville, Georgia; March 2013-June 2015; Associate Attorney

Domestic relations and criminal defense practice concentrated in Gwinnett County. Responsible for all phases of client representation from business origination through obtaining final judgment. Extensive experience in civil discovery, motions practice, and evidentiary hearings.

Court-Appointed Attorney, Criminal Appeals, Gwinnett County Superior Court, 2010-2012

Representing criminal defendants in post-conviction proceedings, including researching and writing appellate briefs for the Georgia Court of Appeals. Assisting clients with other issues related to their convictions.

Law Office of Mike Bothwell, Roswell, Georgia, 1998-1999; Litigation Associate

Broad litigation practice in state and federal courts concentrating on representation of small businesses and individuals. Active management of caseload, significant decision making authority, and substantive client responsibility. Drafted pleadings, briefs, discovery and agreements as well as negotiated and managed cases as the sole associate in an active civil litigation practice.

Grants / Fellowships

Fellow, Georgia Women's Policy Institute, 2021-2022

Service-Learning Fellow, University of Georgia Office of Service-Learning, 2020-2021

Fellow, University of Georgia Center for Teaching and Learning Fellows for Innovative Teaching, 2019-2020

U.S. Department of Justice Crime Victims Justice Corps grant, with Professor Jason Cade; awarded \$147,000.00 to fund a two-year legal fellow and two summer law students fellowships to provide direct services to immigrant victims of crime and collaborate with local service providers working with the same population, 2018-2020

Equal Justice Fellow, National Association for Public Interest Law (now Equal Justice Works), 1995-1997

Service and Memberships

American Bar Association Commission on Domestic and Sexual Violence Faculty Facilitator Team, 2022

Amicable Divorce Network, 2022

The Georgia Club Foundation, Inc., board member, December 2021-present

State Bar of Georgia Access to Justice committee member, July 2021-present

Marsy's Law Georgia, advisory board member, February 2021-present

Western Judicial Circuit District Attorney Deborah Gonzalez transition team, 2021

University of Georgia University Council Faculty Conference Steering Committee, 2021-present

University of Georgia University Council COVID Response Committee, 2020-2022

Igniting Hope Coalition, 2020-2021

Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence Justice for Incarcerated Survivors Project, 2019-present

WIPI (Working in the Public Interest) student organization faculty advisor, 2017-2021

1L Mentor and Orientation Breakout Group Leader, Fall 2017-present

Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence Parole Packet / Clemency Project, December 2015-2018

Pro Se Litigant Court Navigation Project with Athens-Clarke County Law Library Board, Fall 2016-2017

Law Student Experience Committee, 2016-2020

Western Judicial Circuit Domestic Violence Task Force, 2015-present

Co-secretary 2016-2019; By-laws Revision Committee, 2016; Firearms Surrender Protocol Committee, 2019-present; Systems Assessment Committee, Chairperson, 2020-present; Child Survivors of IPV Homicide Committee, 2020-present

Fatality Review Panel, Athens-Clarke County, 2015-present

Presentations

Georgia Commission on Family Violence Annual Conference, September 27, 2022

Foster Parent Training on 2020 Law Updates, Bethany Christian Services, October 27, 2020

American Association of Law Schools/Clinical Legal Educators Association conference, May 2020

Women's Law Student Association Work-Life Balance panel, February 2020

CEASE (Child Endangerment and Sexual Exploitation) Clinic, guest lecturer Fall 2018

Alternative Dispute Resolution Society, Lunch and Learn panelist, November 13, 2017

Mediation "Boot Camp", Professor Ellie Lanier, lecturer August 2017

Family Law guest lecturer Fall 2016

If When How Domestic Violence Awareness month event, lecturer October 31, 2016

Athens-Clarke County Police Department New Officer Boot Camp, four session per year, August 2016-present

Forever Family - Strength to Love Pulaski State Prison presentation, March 15, 2016

Publications

"Lessons from a Pandemic: The Georgia TPO Forum's Recommendations for Strengthening Protections Against Domestic Violence." with co-authors Sarah White and Jamie Bormann. *Family Law Quarterly*, Volume 55, Number 2, 2022.

"Why is the Protective Order Project Still in Business; or, if the Family Justice Clinic Has Been at it So Long, Why Hasn't Anything Changed? Domestic Violence as a Continuing Societal Concern." with Chelsea Reese, *Georgia Law Review* online, lawclinics@50 special issue, June 2019