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#### **JURISDICTION**

Pennsylvania Bar, Admitted November, 1989 Florida Bar, Admitted November, 1989 United States District Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania, November, 1989

#### **EDUCATION**

**THOMAS M. COOLEY LAW SCHOOL**, Lansing, Michigan Juris Doctor, January 1989

**PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY**, University Park, Pennsylvania Bachelor of Science, Administration of Justice, May 1986

## ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, SHEPARD BROAD COLLEGE OF LAW, 3305 College Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33315

#### **Interim Director, Children and Families Law Clinic,** 1/22 - present

• Responsible for directing the NSU College of Law in-house, live-client clinic. The Children and Family Law Clinic provides representation to indigent persons in Broward County, Florida in domestic relations matters. Legal services are provided by third year law students certified by the Supreme Court of Florida to practice law in conjunction with Nova's Clinical Law Program. Responsibilities include supervision of student interns as well as support staff. Primarily responsible for case selection, supervision of legal work, court appearances, and other aspects of civil practice. The Children and Family Clinic is a course that may be taken for up to twelve (12) credits.

**Director, Adults with Intellectual and Development Disabilities Clinic (AIDD),** 6/18 - to 9/21

• Responsible for directing the AIDD in-house, live-client clinic. The AIDD Clinic

provides representation to indigent persons of Broward County in legal matters dealing with incapacity, guardianship, and protection of civil rights. Representations is provided by third year law students certified by the Supreme Court of Florida to practice law in conjunction with Nova's clinical law program. Responsibilities include supervision of student interns as well as support staff. Primarily responsible for case selection, supervision of legal work, court appearances, and other aspects of civil practice. The AIDD Clinic is a flexible course that may be taken for up to twelve (12) credits.

# **AAMPLE® (Alternative Admissions Model Program for Legal Education) Program Director, 6/17** – to 9/19

• Responsible for directing the NSU Shepard Broad College of Law, AAMPLE Program and Online Master Programs. Responsibilities include: curriculum development and course selection; faculty selection, training, and review; various administrative tasks associated with program development and delivery.

## Associate Dean, AAMPLE® and Online Programs, 1/12 – 6/17

• Responsible for directing the NSU Shepard Broad College of Law, AAMPLE Program and Online Master Programs. Responsibilities include: curriculum development and course selection; faculty selection, training, and review; various administrative tasks associated with program development and delivery.

# **Director, Master of Science in Education Law Program,** 8/05 - 1/12

 Responsible for developing and directing the NSU Shepard Broad College of LawMaster of Science in Education Law Program. Responsibilities include: preparation of draft proposal for new program review; curriculum development and course selection; faculty selection and training; faculty review and evaluations; various administrative tasks associated with program development and delivery.

#### Director, Master of Science in Health Law Program, 1/03 - 8/05

 Responsible for directing the NSU Shepard Broad College of LawMaster of Science in Health Law degree program. Responsibilities include the selection and training of faculty members, faculty review and evaluations, course selection and curriculum development, and various other administrative tasks associated with program development and delivery.

# **Director, Children and Family Law Clinic,** 4/98 - 12/03; Adjunct Clinician 12/03 - present

- Responsible for directing the Law School's in-house, live-client clinic.
- As a clinical adjunct and a member of the ICAAN (International Child Abduction Attorney Network), I accept pro bono referrals from the U.S. State Department Office of Children's Affairs for representation in cases directly involving *The Hague Convention on Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction*. In

conjunction with clinical interns, we provide pro bono legal services to parents in international child abduction cases.

#### **COURSE INSTRUCTOR:**

## Shepard Broad College of Law- Law

- Advanced Family Law (Clinic 2 credits)
- Advanced Lawyer Skills and Values (Clinic 2 credits)
- Children and Family Law Clinic (12 Credits)
- Children and Family Clinical Placement (Clinic 6 credits)
- Civil Procedure (4 credits)
- Criminal Procedure (3 credits)
- Dependency Workshop (3 credits)
- Domestic Violence Workshop (3 credits)
- Employment Law (3 credits)
- Evidence (4 credits)
- Family Law (3 credits)
- International Family Law (1 credit)
- International Human Rights (3 credits)
- Immigration Law (3 credits)
- Juvenile Dependency Workshop (3 credits)
- Juvenile Law (3 credits)
- Negotiating Workshop (3 credits)
- Professional Responsibility (3 credits)

## Shepard Broad Law School, Master of Science in Education Law

- Administrative Law (2 credits)
- Civil Rights in Education (2 credits)
- Individual Research Project (2 credits)
- Privacy Law (2 *credits*)

#### Shepard Broad Law School, Master of Science in Employment Law

- Individual Research Project (4 credits)
- Professional Communications (2 *credits*)
- Statutes and Regulations (2 credits)

## Shepard Broad Law School, Master of Science in Health Law

- Health Care Human Resource Issues (2 credits)
- Individual Research Project (4 credits)
- Statutes and Regulations (2 credits)

# Shepard Broad Law School, AAMPLE® (Alternative Admissions Model Program for Legal Education)

- Negotiable Instruments
- Introduction to 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment Law

# Nova Southeastern University, Master of Science in Child Protection Law

- Foundations in Law (3 credits)
- Domestic Violence (3 credits)

## Clinical Instructor, Nova Southeastern Civil Law Clinic, August 1994 - April 1998

- Practicum Skills, Children and Family Clinical Placement. The courses are designed to provide each student with an opportunity to enhance basic lawyering skills through the practical application of substantive family law. Students participate in simulated exercises which require the utilization of statutory law, procedural rules, ethical considerations and assigned readings. Responsibilities include preparing and leading class discussions, conducting simulation exercises, grading written and oral assignments, and supervision of internal and external placements.
- Supervise legal work performed by certified legal interns on various family law cases from the initial client interview through pre-trial discovery, trial and appellate procedures. Each student placed in the in-house clinic will take depositions, appear in court as counsel of record, argue on the uniform motion calendar and actively participate in evidentiary proceedings.
- Maintain active caseload of divorce, dependency, adoption and termination of parental rights cases; provide representation to indigent persons in Broward, Dade and Palm Beach Counties in family law proceedings.

# LEGAL EXPERIENCE

# AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION, CENTRAL AND EAST EUROPEAN LAW INITIATIVE (ABA/CEELI), Washington, D.C. 20005-1022 Clinical Legal Specialist, Central Asia, May 2000 - July 2000

- Provide technical assistance for the design and implementation of poverty law clinics.
- Provide technical assistance to law schools in Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan on curriculum development and course design for clinical legal education paradigm.
- Provide technical assistance on ethics, professionalism and advocacy skills to law students in Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan.

MONDSCHEIN ASSOCIATES, Allentown, Pennsylvania Attorney, October 1993 - May 1994

• Associate, "AV" rated firm, practice limited exclusively to matrimonial and family law in high-line divorce, custody and support cases.

# PALM BEACH COUNTY LEGAL AID SOCIETY, West Palm Beach, Florida Director, Family Law Project, April 1990 - October 1993

- Supervising attorney for legal work performed by project members which consisted of eight (8) staff attorneys, support staff of six (6), certified legal interns and various other volunteers.
- Coordinator for complex divorce, dependency and termination of parental rights proceedings at the trial and appellate court level.

## Co-Director, Juvenile Advocacy Project

- Co-founder of the Society's Juvenile Advocacy Project.
- Served one year as special counsel/attorney ad litem for children involved in dependency, divorce, adoption, and termination of parental rights litigation.

# STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & REHABILITATIVE SERVICES, West Palm Beach, Florida

Attorney, December 1989 - April 1990

- Civil and Administrative practice in the Department's Children, Youth & Family Division.
- Case load management of dependency actions from initial petition filing through trial and termination of parent rights proceedings.

#### SIGNIFICANT SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- International Family Law (selected course instructor), Charles University Faculty of Law, Prague, Czech Republic, May 2023
- Litigation Updates: The Hague Abduction Convention, Broward County Bar Matrimonial Luncheon, Broward County Bar Association, Fort Lauderdale, FL, February 2023
- Annual Disability Roundtable: Access to Justice, NSU Shepard Broad College of Law, Fort Lauderdale, FL June 10, 2022
- Faculty Commencement Speaker, NSU Shepard Broad College of Law Winter Graduation, December 7, 2021
- *Niche Legal Professions*, NSU Law Chapter of Florida Association for Women Lawyers, (Zoom presentation) October 21, 2021
- How Do I Get THIS Into Evidence? 2021 Raising the Bar, Broward County Bar

Association, Fort Lauderdale, FL, April 2021

- Elder/Disability/Health Clinical Legal Education, American Association of Law Schools Conference on Clinical Legal Education, (Zoom Presentation) April 28 & 29, 2021
- Federal Practice Preview Series: Crimes Against Children, NSU Law Chapter, Federal Bar Association, (Zoom presentation) February 11, 2021
- International Family Law (study abroad course instructor), Hague, Netherlands, 2019
- Effects of Psychotropic Drugs and Negative Tendencies; Is the Florida Baker Act Enough to Stop Killings? Broward County Crime Commission, Fort Lauderdale, FL, November 2018
- Juvenile Dependency and the UCCJEA, Florida Bar Public Interest Section, Juvenile Review Certification Course, Orlando, FL, April 2018
- Evidence for Litigators, Broward County Bar Association, Fort Lauderdale, FL, March 16, 2018
- International Family Law (study abroad course instructor), Hague, Netherlands, May 2017
- Avoiding Evidentiary Pitfalls in Family Law Practice: 2017 Raising the Bar, Broward County Bar Association, Fort Lauderdale, FL, April 2017
- Enforcement of The Hague Abduction Convention, U.S. Department of State, Office of International Visitors, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, International Leadership Program, Miami, FL, December 8, 2016
- The Hague Abduction Convention on Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: Post Trial Jurisdiction, Undertakings, Mirror Custody Orders and Provisional Remedies, Broward Country Matrimonial Lawyers Section, Fort Lauderdale, FL, November 7, 2016
- International Family Law: A Primer on Navigating an International Divorce, Florida Bar International Litigation, Arbitration & Transaction (ILAT) Conference, Miami, FL, February 26, 2016
- Law School Migration to Distance Learning Platforms, Distance Learning Administration Conference, Jekyll Island, GA, June 30, 2015
- Family Law Meets Animal Law, Animal Law Section of the Florida Bar Association, Annual Bar Meeting Section CLE, Boca Raton, FL, June 26, 2015

- Alternative Admission Model for Legal Education during Times of Change, Society of American Law Teachers Teaching Conference, Las Vegas, NV, October 10, 2014
- Building Support Systems for Online Program Expansion, Distance Learning Administration Conference, Jekyll Island, GA, June 11, 2014
- Resolving Jurisdictional Conflicts Arising Under the Uniform Child Custody and Jurisdiction Enforcement Act, Raising the Bar: The (Broward County Bar Association) Annual Family Law Seminar, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, April 27, 2012
- Five Lessons Learned in Launching Online Master Degree Programs at a Traditional U.S. Law School, E-Learn 2011World Conference on E-Learning in Corporate, Government, Healthcare, and Higher Education, Honolulu, Hawaii, October 21, 2011
- The Economic Climate and its Impact on Domestic Violence and the Family, The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Be Aware Presentation, Broward County Courthouse, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, October 14, 2011
- Child Abuse, Neglect, and Dependency State Rights v. Parental Autonomy, The Pennsylvania State University, Worthington Scranton Campus, Scranton, Pennsylvania, April 28, 2011
- The Best of the Brave New World: Painless Practices to Implement Learning Theory in Both the Real and Virtual Classroom, Teaching in a Transformative Era: The Law School of the Future, Society of American Law Teachers, University of Hawaii School of Law, Honolulu, Hawaii, December 11, 2010
- Mediating International Child Abduction Cases and Other High Conflict Cross Border Custody Disputes, American Bar Association International Law Section, Miami, Florida, October 28, 2009
- Current Issues in Adoption, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Ritz Carlton, Palm Beach, Florida, August 2-8, 2009
- Cross-Border Family Mediation with an Emphasis on the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction, University of Miami Law School, Miami, Florida, February 22-24, 2008
- Using Cases Arising under the Hague Convention on Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction to Challenge Clinical Case Selection and Student Assumptions about the Practice of Domestic Relations Law, American Association of Law Schools Clinical Legal Education Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, May 5, 2007

- Basic Discovery Seminar (Third Party Discovery Presentation) Florida Bar, Young Lawyers Division, Miami & Tampa, Florida, May 18 & 19, 2006 (Continuing Legal Education - 7 hours, 1hour ethics)
- Florida Family Law Seminar, Legal Aid Service of Broward County Inc., Fort Lauderdale, Florida, March 24, 2006 (Continuing Legal Education 4 hours, 1 hour ethics)
- Litigating Visitation and Child Custody Claims under The Hague Convention On Civil Aspects of International Child Abuse, Crossing Cultures, Miami, Florida, February 10-13, 2006 (Continuing Legal Education Provider- 7.5 hours, .5 ethics)
- Visitation and Child Custody Claims under the Hague Convention On Civil Aspects of International Child Abuse, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Hilton Head, South Carolina, July, 2005
- The American Trial Court Process, Johnson and Wales University, Miami, Florida, May, 2005
- Creating a Law School Model for Representing Left Behind Parents (Hague Abduction Convention Training), National School for Missing and Exploited Children, Washington, DC, October, 2002
- Institutional & Social Needs Addressing Domestic Violence, Association of American Law Schools & Nova Southeastern Law School, Nova Southeastern Law School, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, January 27, 2001
- Child Sexual Abuse Protecting Children In The Courtroom An American Perspective, National School for Human Right, Delhi, India, Morale Rehabilitation School, Panchgani India, December 29, 2000
- Developing NGO Legal Services & The Client-Schooled Approach to Client Counseling, ABA/CEELI, Adilet Law School, Astana, Kazakhstan, July 5, 2000
- Constructing a Legal Clinic & Developing a Clinical Legal Education Curriculum, ABA/CEELI, National Library, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, June 23, 2000
- Child Advocacy Through NGO Legal Services, School for Human Rights and Democracy, Osh State University, Osh Kyrgyzstan, June 14, 2000
- Developing a Private Law Practice in Collaboration with the Organized Bar, Bishkek Bar Association, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, June 10, 200
- Providing NGO Legal Services Through A Voluntary Bar Association, ABA/CEELI,

Inaugural Meeting of Central Asia Women Lawyers, Kargolinsky Sanatorium, *Almaty* Kazakhstan, June 1, 2000

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Think Fast: Post Judgment Considerations Under the Hague Abduction Convention, The Suffolk Journal of Trial and Appellate Advocacy, 23 Suffolk Journal of Trial and Appellate Advocacy 2, (Fall 2018)
- Should Family Pets Receive Special Consideration in Divorce? The Florida Bar Journal, Volume 91, NO 6, June 2017
- The Illusory Imputation of Income in Marital Settlement Agreements: "The Future Ain't What it Used to Be", (Co-Author), 35 Nova L. Rev. 157 (Fall 2010)
- Child Victims of Sexual Abuse and the Law, 12 MICH. CHILD WELFARE L.J. 2 (Spring 2009)
- Creating a Legal Society in the Western Hemisphere in Support of the Hague Convention on Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction, 40 U. MIAMI INTER-AM. L. REV. 109 (Fall 2008)
- No More Secret Adoptions: Providing Putative Fathers with Actual Notice of the Putative Father Registry, 37 CAP. U. L. REV. 449 (Winter 2008)
- No More Secrets: Unwed Biological Fathers are now Entitled to Actual Notice of Intended Adoptions in Florida, Florida Bar Public Interest Law Section Reporter (Winter 2007)
- Adoption Law book Chapter, in ADOPTION, PATERNITY, AND OTHER
  FLORIDA FAMILY PRACTICE ((2006) 6<sup>th</sup> through 13<sup>th</sup> ed. (2021)) (Florida Bar CLE
  & LexisNexis)
- Florida's Foster Care System Fails Its Children, 25 Nova L. Rev. 641 (Spring 2001)
- Clinical Legal Education and NGO Clinical Legal Services in Bishkek and Osh, Kyrgyzstan and Astana, Kazakhstan Unpublished report filed with the American Bar Association, Central and East European Law Initiative (CEELI), Washington, DC, (Fall 2000)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Association of Law Schools, Clinical Legal Education Section
- Association for the Advancement of Computing in Education
- American Association of Health Lawyers
- American Bar Association, Family Law Section
- Broward County Bar Association, Family Law Section
- Education Law Association Member
- Florida Bar Association, Family Law Section, Special Needs of Children
- Florida Bar Association, Public Interest Law Section
- Florida Bar Standing Committee on Professionalism (6/01 2003)
- Florida Governor's Task Force on Domestic Violence
- Florida Legal Aid Corporation, Executive Board of Directors (6/98 6/2000) and (2018-present)
- Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence Legal Clearinghouse
- National Institute of Trial Advocacy
- NSU Institutional Review Board Representative
- International Society for Technology in Education Member
- Pennsylvania Bar Association, Family Law Section

#### AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Certificate of Appreciation, United States Department of State, Office of Children's Issues 2014
- 2012 NSU President's Faculty Research and Development Grant: The Impact of Child Testimony on Adult Attachment and Quality of Relationships
- 2008 Pro Bono Service Award, Legal Aid Service of Broward County (2,517 hours of pro bono service in conjunction with NSU Children and Families Law Clinic)
- Certificate of Merit, National School for Missing and Exploited Children 2003-2008
- Volunteer Recognition, Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education Committee 2005-
- 2007 Faculty Professionalism Award, The Florida Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism and Florida Bar Standing Committee on Professionalism
- 2004 Exceptional Pro Bono Service Award Recognition, Florida Supreme Court, Young Lawyers Division, and Local Legal Service Provider
- Florida Children's First Service Award 2003
- Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year 2002, Broward County Guardian Ad Litem Program
- Pro Bono Recognition, Broward Lawyers Care (County Bar Association)
- Recipient NSU Children and Families Law Clinic Pro Bono Law Firm of the Year Award 2001, Legal Aid Service of Broward County, Inc.
- Volunteer Recognition, American Bar Association, Central and East European Law Initiative (CEELI)
- Volunteer Recognition Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence
- Florida Department of Children and Family Services Recognition of Outstanding Contribution to Florida's Fostercare System

• Johnson and Wales University Service Recognition