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EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C., 1990-1993

Juris Doctor, *magna cum laude*, Order of the Coif

Activities: Appellate Litigation Clinic (briefed and argued before the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit); *American Criminal Law Review*

Publications: *The Constitutional Right to Psychiatric Assistance: Cause for Re-Examination of Ake*, 30 Am. Crim. L. Rev. 1329 (1993); Contributing author, *Conflicts of Interest*, 29 Am. Crim. L. Rev. 243 (1992)

Other Honors: American Jurisprudence Awards in Professional Responsibility, Insurance Law, and Administrative Law; Honors in Legal Research and Writing

Villanova University, Villanova, Pennsylvania, 1987-1990

Bachelor of Arts, *magna cum laude*, Political Science and Sociology

Phi Beta Kappa; Phi Kappa Phi; University Medallion Award for highest graduating GPA in Sociology

EXPERIENCE

Saint Louis University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri, 2010 to present

Professor

Courses taught: Commercial Transactions, Conflict of Laws, Evidence and Advocacy, Legal Analysis, Research and Communication (formerly Legal Research and Writing), Moot Court, Remedies, Trial Advocacy

Cohen & Grigsby, P.C. (now Dentons Cohen & Grigsby), Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 2000 to 2015

Of counsel 2010-2015; partner, 2001-2010; associate, 2000-2001

Litigator with primary emphasis on defense of securities fraud and accountant malpractice claims and general commercial disputes; experience included class action defense; responsible for all aspects of litigation; appearances before trial courts, appellate courts, and arbitration panels
Administrative Roles: Shareholders' Council (management committee); Co-Chair/Chair of Recruiting and Associate Development Committee, 2003-2008 (responsibilities included summer associate program and recruitment, new associate orientation and training, local bar association diversity program, fellowship programs for first year law students); Assistant Litigation Practice Group Head, 2007-2008; Supervisor of Litigation Paralegals, 2003-2004; Co-Chair/Chair of United Way Campaign, 2004-2009; various task forces concerning promotion policies, recruiting, and associate training

Other Activities: National Institute of Trial Advocacy "Building Trial Skills" Program; American Inns of Court, W. Edward Sell Chapter, 2002-2003; speaker at various internal and external seminars on professional development and substantive legal issues

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Kirkpatrick & Lockhart LLP (now K&L Gates), Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 1996-2000
Litigation Associate: responsibilities included matters involving securities fraud, insurance, construction, and general business disputes
Administrative Roles: Recruiting Committee; mentor to summer associates

Watt Tieder Hoffar (now Watt, Tieder, Hoffar & Fitzgerald L.L.P.), McLean, Virginia, 1994-1996
Litigation Associate: responsibilities included matters involving construction and government contract disputes

The Honorable Irma S. Raker, Maryland Court of Appeals, 1994
Judicial Clerk

The Honorable Deborah K. Chasanow, United States District Court for the District of Maryland, 1993
Judicial Clerk

UNIVERSITY SERVICE AND RECOGNITION

University Marshall, 2014 to present
University, Distance Education Committee, 2018 to present
University, Norm White Award Selection Committee, 2018 to present
University, Co-Chair Faculty and Staff Drive for Accelerating Excellence, 2018
SLU Law Compliance Initiative Committee, Chair, 2017-2019
SLU Law Library Director Search Committee, Chair, 2022-23
SLU Law Clinic Faculty Search Committee, 2018
SLU Law Library Faculty Search Committee, 2017
SLU Law Adjunct Committee, Chair, 2014-2017
SLU Law Curriculum Committee, 2015
SLU Law, Dean's Search Committee, 2012
2015 SLU Women's Commission YMCA Leaders in the Workplace Award
Founding member and Master, Theodore McMillian American Inn of Court, 2010 to present
National Trial Competition Coach, 2021-2022
Phi Alpha Delta Law School Mock Trial Competition Coach, 2019
Fellow, American Bar Foundation, 2019

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Member, National Charity League (St. Louis, Missouri), 2023 to present
Board Member, Gateway Arch Park Foundation (St. Louis, Missouri), 2022 to present
Board Member, Federation of Women's Exchanges (St. Augustine, Florida) 2022 to present
Board Member, Women's Exchange of St. Louis (St. Louis, Missouri), 2019 to present
Board Member, Laumeier Sculpture Park (St. Louis, Missouri), 2018 to present

Board Member, Voices for Children (now CASA) (St. Louis, Missouri); 2011 to 2021,
President, 2016
Board Member, Central Institute for the Deaf (St. Louis, Missouri), 2012 to present
Forsyth School, Development Committee (St. Louis, Missouri), 2017 to 2020
Portland Place Association, Trustee, (St. Louis, Missouri) 2014 to 2016, 2019 to 2020
Pink Ribbon Girls (now Pink Ribbon Good) (St. Louis, Missouri), Volunteer, 2018
United Way St. Louis, (St. Louis, Missouri) De Tocqueville Strategy Team Member, 2015
Forest Park Forever (St. Louis, Missouri), Women's Committee, various years
Saint Francis Xavier College Church (St. Louis, Missouri), Gala Committee, 2018
St. Louis Mosaic Group International Spouses Meet Up Group, Mentor, 2017-2018
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Team in Training (St. Louis, Missouri), 2010
Audit Committee Member, Family Lifeline (Richmond, Virginia), 2006 to 2008
SPCA Annual Event Committee Member (Richmond, Virginia), 2007
Equal Justice Campaign Member (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania), 2002 to 2003
Board Member, KidsVoice (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania), 1999 to 2005

Co-Chair, Arch Grants Gala, 2019
Co-Chair, College Church Gala, 2019
Co-Chair, Laumeier Gala, 2019
Co-chair, COCA Cocacabana, 2019
Co-Chair, College Bound Gala, 2018
Co-Chair, American Heart Association Gala, 2017
Co-Chair, Concordance Academy Gala, 2015, 2016, 2017
Chair, Central Institute for the Deaf Gala, 2013

BAR ADMISSIONS

Missouri, 2008
Pennsylvania, 1996 (currently inactive)
Maryland, 1993 (currently inactive)
Various federal court admissions