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EXPERIENCE

Syracuse University College of Law Aug 2010–present
Teaching Professor

Associate Dean for Online Education (beginning Dec 2021)

- Teach Legal Communications and Research to first-year and second-year law students; provide instruction regarding legal research, writing skills, and written and oral advocacy; classes taught include a specialized course on writing for criminal litigation, appellate advocacy, and classes within the online J.D. program
- Teach international LL.M. students Introduction to the American Legal System and orientation skills courses, including case methodology, case briefing, and introduction to the Socratic method
- Meredith Teaching Recognition Award for Continuing Excellence (University-wide award) (2021)
- Three-time recipient of the Lex Lucet Mundum Award (2017, 2019, and 2021) for excellence in teaching, selected by graduating international students
- Visiting Professor, Tor Vergata University, Association of Legal Graduates, Rome, Italy (Summer 2018): taught Italian attorneys and law students Introduction to the American Legal System
- Visiting Professor, Open Society Foundations Orientation for Civil Society Leadership Scholars (Summer 2017): taught international students First Amendment law in preparation for their graduate studies at American law schools
- Visiting Professor, Holy Spirit University of Kaslik, Beirut, Lebanon (Fall 2016): taught LL.M. graduate students Introduction to the American Legal System
- Presenter at the Global Legal Skills Conferences in 2016 (Verona, Italy) and 2017 (Monterrey, Mexico) regarding teaching international students in American legal programs
- Coach of ABA National Appellate Moot Court Competition team (2016-17 and 2017-18); Faculty Director, Lionel O. Grossman Trial Competition (2017)

Criminal Justice Act Indigent Defense Panel Jun 2010–Jun 2011
for the Northern District of New York
Defense Attorney

- Represented indigent criminal defendants in federal criminal cases

United States Attorney's Office, Central District of California Jun 1998–Apr 2009
Assistant United States Attorney, Criminal Division

- Assigned to Criminal Appeals Section (Aug 2007-Apr 2009), Narcotics Section (Jan 2004-Aug 2007), and Major Frauds Section (Jul 2000-Jan 2004)
- Argued cases before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals on five occasions, authored 13 answering briefs for criminal cases on appeal, and reviewed and revised dozens of appellate briefs and motions authored by other trial attorneys in the office
- Tried and/or co-tried seven federal jury trials; oversaw investigations leading to grand jury indictments of numerous defendants for violations of federal criminal law

Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP Oct 1995–May 1998
Associate, Employment Law Department

- Represented clients in all aspects of employment defense litigation and counseling; second-chaired jury trial in United States District Court on claims of age and gender discrimination (resulting in directed verdict for the firm's clients)

The Honorable William J. Rea Sep 1994–Sep 1995
United States District Judge for the Central District of California
Law Clerk

EDUCATION

J.D., Loyola Law School, Los Angeles May 1994

- Graduated *cum laude* and Order of the Coif
- Loyola of Los Angeles Law Review: Note and Comment Editor (1993-94) and member (1992-93)

B.A. in English, University of California at Los Angeles Jun 1991