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Current Employment

Syracuse University College of Law, Syracuse, New York.
Associate Professor of Law,
August, 1994- present;
Assistant Professor of Law,
August, 1990- August, 1994;
Teaching Property, Intellectual Property, Copyright, and Entertainment Law.
Awards:
Dean's Distinguished Teaching Fellow, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08.
Awarded Res Ipsa Loquitur Award, 2007, by 3rd year class for excellence in teaching.
Awarded Senior Class Award for Excellence in Teaching, 1994.
Selected by graduating class as faculty graduation speaker, 1995, 1994.
Significant COL Service:
Administrator of Entertainment and Sports Law Certificate, 2009-present.
Chair, Admissions Committee, 1996-2002, 2011-present.
Dean Search Committee, 1993-94.

Publications

Article, A Narrow View of Creative Cooperation: The Current State of Joint Work Doctrine, 61 Albany Law Review 43-84 (1997).

Chapter, A Balancing Act: Copyright in the Electronic Network Environment, Safeguarding Electronic Information, Jana Varlejs, editor (McFarland 1996) 34-52.

Article, Transforming Fair Use: The Productive Use Factor in Fair Use Doctrine, 58 Albany Law Review 677-724 (1995).

Article, The Metaphysics of the Law: Bringing Substantial Similarity Down to Earth, 98 Dickinson Law Review 181-207 (1994).
Metaphysics was reprinted in Intellectual Property Law Review 425-451 (1995).

Article, Ownership of Copyrightable Works of University Professors: The Interplay Between the Copyright Act and University Copyright Policies, 37 Villanova Law Review 223-271 (1992).

Note, Mayer v. Mayer: Estoppel and Foreign Divorce, 63 North Carolina Law Review 1189-1203 (1985).

Presentations

"An Introduction to Copyright Law" New York State Bar Association CLE Basics of Intellectual Property Law (May 8, 2008).

"Bridging the Gap: Intellectual Property, Copyrights" New York State Bar Association CLE (November 3, 2004).

“Copyright for Artists” Cultural Resources Council (June 21, 2003) and (March 30, 2002).

“Copyright and the Digital Millennium Copyright Act” New York State Bar Association CLE (September 24, 2003).

“Introduction to Copyright Law” Onondaga County Bar Association CLE (March 10, 1999).

“Second Chances: A Re-Argument of Three Recent Second Circuit Arguments” (Panelist) The Copyright Society of the U.S.A. Annual Meeting (June 15, 1998).

“A Balancing Act: Copyright in the Electronic Environment” 32nd Annual Symposium of the Graduate Alumni & Faculty of Rutgers School of Communication, Information and Library Studies (April 21, 1995).

Education

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Chapel Hill, NC
J.D. with Highest Honors, May, 1986.
Graduated 1st of 203.
G.P.A.: 3.99.
Law Review Staff, 1984-85.
Member of the Order of the Coif. Awarded Hunton & Williams
Scholarship, 1984-85, 1985-86; Judge Heriot Clarkson Award,
1985; Chief Justice Walter Clark Award, 1986;
Student Stores Scholarship, 1983-84.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Chapel Hill, NC
M.A. in Classics, December, 1985.
Thesis: “The Portrayal of Darius in Herodotus’ Histories.”
Awarded University Graduate Fellowship, 1980-81.

Smith College
Northampton, MA
A.B. Cum laude, June 1974.
Majored in Greek.
Awarded Distinctions on Senior Comprehensives in Greek, 1974;
Alice Hubbard Derby Prize, 1974; Julia Harwood Caverno Prize, 1974.
Dean’s List, 1973-74.

Princeton University
Princeton, NJ
A.B. candidate, 1970-72.

Employment History

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, School of Law
Chapel Hill, NC
Visiting Assistant Professor of Law.
July, 1989- July, 1990.
Taught Trusts and Estates and Property.

Temple University, School of Law
Philadelphia, PA
Assistant Professor of Law.
July, 1988- July, 1990 (leave of absence, 1989-90).
Taught Trusts and Estates, Property, and Intellectual Property.

Palmer & Dodge
Associate in Probate Department.
September, 1986- May, 1988.
Practice included estate planning, estate administration
and probate litigation. Boston, MA

Palmer & Dodge
Law Clerk.
Summer, 1985. Boston, MA

Durham Academy
Teacher of French.
August, 1981- June, 1983. Durham, NC

The Newfound School
Teacher of French, Latin, Greek.
September, 1976- June, 1980. Asheville, NC

Additional Background

Admitted to Massachusetts Bar, 1986.
Attended Yale Summer Language Institute in Spanish, New Haven, Connecticut, 1978.
Attended Smith College Summer Intern-Teaching Program in French, 1974.
Graduated from Swarthmore High School, 1970.
Speak French. Read Greek, Latin.
Certificate of Chamber of Commerce of Paris in commercial French.
Certified Teacher of French, 7-12, Massachusetts.

Personal Information

Two daughters, ages 23 and 26.
Enjoy cross-country skiing, jogging, painting and drawing.