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CURRENT APPOINTMENT

University of Nebraska College of Law, Lincoln, NE

Assistant Professor, August 2023 – Current

- Courses: Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, Criminal Adjudication and a forthcoming Criminal Sanctions Seminar
- Research: My research interests include special topics in crime and due process and diversity and inclusion in the law, profession and judicial appointments
- Committees: Criminal Law Clinic Hiring committee
Tuition and Fees Ad Hoc committee
Trial Advocacy Adjunct Search committee

BAR ADMISSIONS / ASSOCIATIONS / AWARDS

Admitted in: Texas (2009), New York (2010), Florida (2010) and Nebraska (2015)

Awards: 2023 NSBA Diversity Award – Nominated and selected as the recipient of the 2023 Nebraska State Bar Association (NSBA) Diversity Award in recognition of my leadership and efforts to promote diversity and inclusion in Nebraska's legal community through service with various bar, student and minority professional development focused organizations and groups

EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School, J.D., 2008

- Certificate: Business and Public Policy (real estate emphasis), Wharton School of Business
- Honors: Levy Scholar, Wilson Fellows Program
Senior Editor, Journal of International Law, 2006-2008
- Activities: Professional Development Co-Chair, Black Law Students Association (BLSA)
Justice, Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, Inc., Hare Chapter
Pre-Law Advisor, Penn Undergraduate Career Services Office
- Awards: Best Petitioner Brief, National BLSA Frederick Douglass Moot Court
Regional Finalist, Mid-Atlantic BLSA Frederick Douglass Moot Court

Florida A&M University, MBA, Finance, 2002

- Honors: School of Business and Industry Graduate Fellow
- Activities: Comptroller, Student Government Association

Florida A&M University, B.S., Business Administration, *summa cum laude*, 2002

- Honors: Life-Gets-Better Scholar
University Honors Program
- Activities: Treasurer, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Beta Nu Chapter

PRESENTATIONS

Out of the G(r)utter: How the Supreme Court Changed Course, But the Mission Remains the Same, A Legal and Ethical Discussion of Race and DEI in Organizations (CLE). Moderator, Organizer and Panelist at the Midlands Bar Association Seminar at the 2023 Nebraska State Bar Association Annual Meeting, October 2023, Omaha, Nebraska.

Advancing Justice for the Federally Incarcerated, Prison Accountability and Performance Measures Panel. Volunteer faculty moderator with a student moderator of a panel of various experts at the Nebraska Law Review Symposium, October 2023, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Diversity and Inclusion(D&I): Contemporary Analysis in the Foregoing World (CLE). Co-Moderator, Organizer and Panelist at the Midlands Bar Association seminar at the 2022 Nebraska State Bar Association Annual Meeting, October 2022, Omaha, Nebraska.

Conversations on Bias in the Legal Profession (CLE). Host, Organizer and Substitute Panelist at the Midlands Bar Association Seminar at the 2020 Nebraska State Bar Association Annual Meeting, October 2020, Omaha, Nebraska.

College of St. Mary “12 Angry Jurors” Speaker Series. Panelist and Public Defender Representative, following the cross-disciplinary play between the Legal Studies and Theatre departments on jury trial work, April 2019, Omaha, Nebraska.

2018 New Leaders Council Criminal Justice Panel. Panelist, May 2018, Omaha, Nebraska.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Thomas C. Riley, Public Defender, Douglas County, Omaha, NE 08/2015 – 07/2023
Assistant Public Defender, Parental Rights and Felony Divisions

Defended and litigated juvenile division parental rights cases and alleged felony offenses and criminal traffic and misdemeanor offenses in trial court. Served as lead counsel on felony assault et. al. and felony contraband with intent cases leading to successful jury trial conclusions. Served as first chair and second chair on various major crimes cases, including homicide and special victims cases, resulting in successful jury trial conclusions, motions, downward amendments or plea negotiations. Served as lead counsel in parental rights hearings through all stages of the family/juvenile process including successful defense at multiple detentions and adjudications. Performed applicable motions practice, writing of appeals and oral arguments, including obtaining successful appellate reversals or rulings in juvenile, district court, appellate and supreme court cases. Negotiated pleas and case disposition including dismissal of charges if applicable for clients. Advocated in eight felony jury trials with various charges including seven as lead counsel.

Office of the Public Defender, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Orlando, FL 10/2010 – 07/2015
Assistant Public Defender, Circuit Court Felony Division (11/2011 – 07/2015)

Defended and litigated alleged felony offenses and corresponding criminal traffic and misdemeanor offenses in trial court. Performed applicable motions practice and oral arguments in felony court and continued similar duties from misdemeanor division. Served as Lead Attorney in first-, second- and third-degree felony trials including the cross examination of state witnesses and experts. Conducted direct examination of defense expert witness in complex accident reconstruction and physics case resulting in successful conclusion for client and per se proof evident that he was actual victim. Advocated in fourteen felony trials with various charges including eleven as lead counsel, with many resulting in successful conclusions for clients.

Assistant Public Defender, County Court Misdemeanor Division (10/2010 – 11/2011)

Defended and litigated alleged criminal traffic and misdemeanor offenses in trial court. Counseled clients regarding their constitutional and statutory rights. Investigated cases to provide persistent defense platform. Served clients through conferences, plea offer conveyance and clear summarization or detailed explanation of case. Drafted and filed necessary motions and argued for their granting in court. Mentored less experienced attorneys as a County Court Lead Attorney. Advocated in approximately fourteen misdemeanor trials with various charges including ten as lead counsel, earning several acquittals, directed judgments and dismissals for clients.

Independent Real Estate and Legal Services

07/2009 – Present

Principal / Consultant

Served as personal counsel and liaison to insurance defense counsel for sued party in wrongful death litigation successfully settling matter with full release well below insurance predicted personal liability. Acted as plaintiff's counsel in wrongful termination dispute resulting in settlement payment from multinational retail corporation. Performed as counsel in various small claims, worker's compensation, debtor claims and landlord-tenant disputes in court and administrative arenas. Advised real estate investment interests on financial and legal matters. Conducted legal research on divorce, property, worker's compensation, personal injury, contract and employment matters. Served as attorney of record for eviction proceeding hearings, initial marital dissolution conference in civil court and breach of contract litigation. Drafted separation of marital property analysis for post-marital proceedings. Prepared rebuttal letter responding to defendant's affidavits in a public whistle-blower case. Consulted on marital dissolution petition answer and counter-petition cases.

Sidley Austin, LLP, Los Angeles, CA

05/2007 – 08/2007 and 09/2008 – 07/2009

Real Estate Associate, Fall 2008 Sidley Public Counsel Fellow and 2007 Summer Associate

Reviewed real estate loan documents and prepared abstracts. Revised drafted letter of default for submission to debtor regarding protection of creditor rights. Researched California One-Action Rule of Real Estate Law for partner MCLE presentation. Researched assignment of a bankruptcy claim. Produced due diligence checklist and binder responding to lender request regarding asset acquisition. Drafted memorandum on copyright infringement, statute and administrative regulation conflict and pro bono death penalty research. Researched consumer law and fraud statutes and case precedent. Conducted client intake and phone interviews for Public Counsel's Consumer Law Project.

Blank Rome, LLP, Philadelphia, PA

05/2006 – 08/2006

Summer Associate

Performed legal research, issue analysis and due diligence on various topics. Drafted memorandum on corporate, civil, real estate and criminal matters. Conducted pro bono non-profit and individual client interviews. Prepared pro bono estate planning documents and non-profit legal services forms.

Johnson & Johnson, Inc., Titusville, NJ

01/2005 – 05/2005

Senior Brand Analyst

Provided financial analysis partnering to pharmaceutical brand team. Forecasted strategic plan and business plan financial models. Analyzed sales, demand, inventory and market share metrics and results. Created periodical reports and presentations depicting business performance and growth.

Medtronic, Inc., Minneapolis, MN

05/2002 – 12/2004

Senior Financial Analyst

Updated employee incentive model including sensitivity analysis and forecasting. Coordinated department financial consolidation reporting and analysis. Compiled actual data versus plan projections by business units and regions. Monitored monthly project and cost center spending, utilization and account changes.

J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., New York, NY

05/2001 – 08/2001

Summer Finance Analyst

Analyzed financial statements and economic indices for analyst and business client utilization. Generated business profiles and presentations about domestic and international companies. Compiled industry and company trend indices for graphical projections and comparisons data.

ACTIVITIES, ORGANIZATIONS, HONORS, SERVICE AND SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Community Alliance, Inc. – Member, Board of Directors (appointed December 2022) (current), a non-profit integrated mental health and healthcare community service facility in Omaha, Nebraska

Nebraska Supreme Court – Member, Committee on Equity and Fairness, under the Court’s Access to Justice Commission (appointed December 2021) (current)

Nebraska State Bar Association (NSBA) – Annual Meeting Chairperson, 2023 NSBA Annual Meeting “*Celebrating the Legal Profession and Right to Counsel*” held October 2023

Nebraska State Bar Association – Board Member, NSBA Diversity Section Executive Committee (appointed May 2021) (current)

Nebraska State Bar Association – Member, NSBA House of Delegates legislative body (elected June 2021, term began October 2021) (current)

Nebraska State Bar Association – Member, Government Section (current)

Nebraska State Bar Association – Member, Leadership Academy Class of 2021-2022

American Inns of Court, Robert M. Spire Inn (Omaha), Schatz Pupillage Member (nominated August 2021) (current)

Nebraska Legal Diversity Council (NLDC) – Advisory Committee Board Member (appointed June 2021) (current)

Midlands Bar Association (Nebraska’s statewide African-American bar association) – President (elected April 2020), Member (since October 2015) (current)

Omaha Bar Association – Executive Council (nominated and elected June 2022) (2022-2025 term), Participant/Member (since Fall 2016) (current)

Nebraska Criminal Defense Attorneys Association (NCDAA) – Member (current)

National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL) – Member (current)

Nebraska Unity PAC Founding Stakeholder and Executive Board Member (Non-partisan committee with mission to increase the representation of qualified minorities and/or supporters of minority issues in public offices) (Founding until January 2021)

New Leaders Council (NLC) Omaha – Fellow 2017, Selections Co-Vice Chair 2017-2018, At-Large Chair 2018-2019

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated – Life Member (initiated into the Beta Nu Chapter at Florida A&M University, Spring 1999; Alumni Member/Participant with Omaha’s Beta Xi Lambda Alumni Chapter) (current)

Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (FACDL), *Death is Different XXI CLE*, February 2015

Public Defender National Retreat and Training, Las Vegas, *Criminal Defense, Forensics and Ethics CLE*, April 2014

Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, Incorporated – Alumni Member (initiated at Penn Law)

National Criminal Defense College (NCDC) Trial Practice Institute – Graduate, July 2011

Urban League of Nebraska Young Professionals (UNLYP) – Member

Midlands African Chamber, Inc. (African-American Chamber of Commerce) – Member

Penn Law Black Alumni Association (PLBAA) – Member

The College of the State Bar of Texas – Honor Society Member, April 2014 (high CLE honor)

Dean Clinton Society, Fund for Penn Law – Member (honors donors giving 3 plus year consecutive yearly donations)

Penn Law Class of 2008 Reunion Committee – Participant (attended the 2013, 2018 and 2023 Penn Law Reunions)

National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) – Supporting Member (Omaha Chapter)

Omaha Community Foundation, Omaha Gives! – Donor (various financial contributions to multiple organizations over years)

Donor – Urban League of Nebraska, 100 Black Men of Omaha, Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska, Omaha Small Business Network, Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Midlands, MICA House

Go Beyond Nebraska – Leadership Through Nature – Donor, Parent Alumni

Law School Moot Court competition (Omaha) – Volunteer Judge (previous)

Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (FACDL) – Member (until 2015)

Central Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (CFACDL) – Member (until 2015)

Paul C. Perkins (African-American) Bar Association – Member (2011-2015), Treasurer (2014-2015)

Orange County (FL) Bar Association – Member (previous); Legal Aid Society of the Orange County Bar Association – Volunteer (September 2010)

The JCC of Greater Orlando, Men's Basketball League – Member, Team Captain, 2-Time Regular Season Champion; The JCC of Omaha, Sunday Men's Basketball Pickup Games – Participant

Penn Law Basketball League – Vice-President of Marketing and Operations, 2-Time Intramurals Championship Team Member

Penn Law Intramural Flag Football League – Participant, 1-Time Finals Participant (Runner-Up) Team Member