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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL
Director of Clinical Programs, 2008 -present
Practice Professor of Law, 2001-present
Practice Associate Professor of Law, 1995-2001

Clinical law professor and director of clinical programs at the Gittis Center for Clinical Legal Studies, Penn Law School's in-house teaching law office. Special expertise in litigation, legislation, public interest law, and clinical teaching. Courses taught include Civil Practice Clinic, Advanced Civil Practice Clinic, Legislative Clinic, Public Policy Clinic, Lawyering in the Public Interest, and clinical externships.

Selected in 2006 as a recipient of the Provost's Award of the University of Pennsylvania for Distinguished Teaching, one of two university-wide provost's awards bestowed each year on faculty for teaching excellence.

COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES, INC., PHILADELPHIA
Executive Director, 1986-1995

Director of one of the nation's largest and most highly respected legal services programs providing free civil legal assistance to low-income individuals and groups. As director, exercised overall responsibility for the delivery of legal services to approximately 30,000 clients each year and supervision of approximately 150 employees (including fifty-three lawyers and forty-five paralegals), fiscal responsibility, budgeting and fundraising for an eight million dollar non-profit corporation, and close working relationship with a large board of trustees and leaders of the local bar association, legal community, and client community.

During term as director, CLS was found to be "the most successful of all legal services programs" in the nation. See Allen Redlich, *Who Will Litigate Constitutional Issues for the Poor?*, 19 HASTINGS CONST. L.Q. 745, 773 (1992).

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW (CAMDEN)
Adjunct Professor of Law, 1991-1995

Taught upper-class seminar on Poverty Law each spring semester.

COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES, INC., PHILADELPHIA
Managing Attorney, Law Center South (1978-1986)
Supervising Attorney, Housing Unit (1977-1978)
Staff Attorney, Law Center West (1974-1977)

As managing attorney of the program's South Philadelphia office, responsible for the direct supervision and evaluation of twenty-five attorneys, paralegals, law students and support staff, while also maintaining a caseload concentrating on employment, housing and family law problems. Prepared and submitted grant proposal which resulted in substantial new funding that established the program's first citywide project specializing in legal services to the vulnerable elderly.

As supervising attorney of the program's citywide public housing unit, specialized in law reform and individual cases serving the housing needs of tenants residing in publicly subsidized housing units. Counsel to several large tenant organizations and class counsel in important class action litigation resulting in procedural due process protections for public housing tenants.

As staff attorney, exercised general civil caseload responsibilities providing legal services to low income individuals and community groups on a broad range of civil matters, including housing, consumer, employment, public benefits and family law problems.

EDUCATION

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW
Juris Doctor, May 1974

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
B.A., Political Science, 1971
Magna Cum Laude and Distinction in Political Science.

Rutgers Honor Society for overall academic excellence; Dean's List every semester; Pi Sigma Alpha (National Political Science Honor Society); Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges; Student Government Presidential Award.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

HOUSE OF DELEGATES, PENNSYLVANIA BAR ASSOCIATION
Delegate (1991-present)

PRO BONO AND DELIVERY OF LEGAL SERVICES ADVISOR TO THE CABINET,
PHILADELPHIA BAR ASSOCIATION, (JAN. 2010 – PRESENT)

BOARD OF GOVERNORS, PHILADELPHIA BAR ASSOCIATION
MEMBER OF THE CABINET (JANUARY 2010 – PRESENT)

JUDICIAL ETHICS AD HOC COMMITTEE

Member (2011-present); Pennsylvania committee established to review judicial ethics and the ABA Model Code of Judicial Conduct and to recommend proposed revisions to the Pennsylvania Code of Judicial Conduct.

PENNSYLVANIA IOLTA LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Member (2010-present); Advisory committee to Pennsylvania Bar Foundation's administration of statewide loan repayment assistance program for civil legal aid and public interest attorneys.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PHILADELPHIA LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Chairperson (2001-2005), Member (1998 - present)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES

Member (2008 – present)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, FRIENDS OF FARMWORKERS

Member (2011 – present)

PENNSYLVANIA BAR ASSOCIATION'S TASK FORCE ON STUDENT LOAN FORGIVENESS AND REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE

Co-Chair (2003 -2006); Co-Chair of Implementation Committee (2006 – 2008)

PENNSYLVANIA BAR ASSOCIATION'S LEGAL ACCESS TASK FORCE

Member (2008 – present)

PHILADELPHIA BAR ASSOCIATION'S TASK FORCE ON CIVIL GIDEON

Member (2009-present)

JOINT BOARD COMMITTEE OF COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES – PHILADELPHIA LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Chair (2006-2008) of joint board committee to undertake review of governance structures with the goal of achieving greater collaboration and efficiencies between Philadelphia's two major legal services organizations

CHANCELLOR'S JUDICIAL COMMISSION TASK FORCE

Member (2008 -- present), Appointed by the Chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association to consider proposed changes to operating procedures of the Association's Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention.

ADVISORY BOARD, CHILDREN'S JUSTICE CLINIC, RUTGERS LAW SCHOOL (2006 -- present)

CHANCELLOR'S COMMITTEE ON MERIT SELECTION OF JUDGES

Member (2005), Appointed by the Chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association to review proposed legislation affecting selection of judges in Philadelphia County

PENNSYLVANIA BAR ASSOCIATION'S TASK FORCE ON LEGAL SERVICES TO THE NEEDY (1998-2002)

Chairperson, Legislative Subcommittee
Principal drafter of Pennsylvania's Access to Justice Act (H.B. 2322, Session of 2002)

MEDIATOR, FACILITATOR, AND CONSULTANT ON CIVIL LEGAL SERVICES

Faculty, Ethics Training for Public Interest Lawyers (2010)
Faculty, Ethics Training for Public Interest Lawyers (2009)
Facilitator, Management Workshop, Neighborhood Legal Services (2008)
Facilitator, Statewide Symposium on Technology (2007)
Facilitator, Statewide Retreat of Pennsylvania Interest on Lawyers Trust Account Board (2005)
Facilitator, Housing Law Day, Philadelphia Bar Association (2004)
Facilitator, Statewide Retreat of Pennsylvania Legal Services Board of Directors (2004)
Consultant to Pennsylvania Legal Services Board of Directors (2002-present)
Consultant to Southwestern Legal Services Board of Directors (2003)
Facilitator, Tangled Title Summit – Philadelphia (2003)
Mediator, Consolidation and Merger of Suburban Philadelphia legal services programs (1999-2000)

PUBLIC SERVICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, RUTGERS LAW SCHOOL (2003 -- present)

CHANCELLOR'S COMMISSION ON PRO BONO LEGAL SERVICES, PHILADELPHIA BAR ASSOCIATION

Consultant (2001-2003)
Co-drafter of Pro Bono Report (78 page report and recommendations) presented to Board of Governors

LECTURER IN CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION (CLE) COURSES

Presenter at Philadelphia Bar Association Bench-Bar Conference on history of Civil Gideon (2011)
Faculty, Ethics – Updates on Innovative Access to Justice Projects and Civil Gideon Movement (2011)
Faculty, Ethics for Public Interest Lawyers (2010)
Moderator, Empirical Research for Clinicians and Public Interest Lawyers (2009)
Faculty, Ethics for Public Interest Lawyers (2009)
Ethics Committees: Why Each Legal Services Organization Needs One (2008)
Civil Forfeiture of Real Property Under the Pennsylvania Controlled Substances Forfeiture Act (2008)
Practical Strategies for Addressing Ethical Issues of Working with Non-Lawyers (2007)
Exploring the Ethical Boundaries of Collaboration with Non-Lawyers (2006)
Hot Topics for Non Profit Organizations (2006)
Advocacy Law, Lobbying and Political Activities (2005)
Litigating Employment Discrimination Cases (Ethics Panel) (2005)
Sparer Conference, Collateral Consequences of Drug Policy (2005)
Civil Forfeiture Practice and Procedure (2004)
Impact of Federal Rule Changes on Civil Rights Cases (2002)
Art of Legislative Advocacy (2002)
Attorney's Fees Post Buckhannon (2001)
Public Interest Law Day (2000, 2001)
Federal Discovery/Evidence (2001)
Litigating Employment Discrimination Cases (2000)
Trial of an ADA Case - Ethics (1999, 2000)
Family Law Symposium (2000)
Ethics - Law and the Media (1999)

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL SELECTION AND RETENTION, PHILADELPHIA BAR ASSOCIATION

Chairperson (1999, 1996), Vice-Chairperson (1998, 1995), Member (1986-1999)
Pro bono counsel (2000-2003)
Training of new members (2001, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2009)

THIRD CIRCUIT'S TASK FORCE ON EQUAL TREATMENT IN THE COURTS, Member (1994-1998).

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PHILADELPHIA VOLUNTEERS FOR THE INDIGENT PROGRAM (VIP)
Executive Committee (1987-1999)
Executive Director Search Committee

INDEPENDENCE FOUNDATION'S PUBLIC INTEREST FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM
Advisory Committee (1996-1999)

EDITORIAL BOARD, LEGAL INTELLIGENCER
Member (1992-1998)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PENNSYLVANIA LAWYER TRUST ACCOUNT BOARD
Founding Member of statewide IOLTA board administering interest on lawyer trust accounts program established by Pennsylvania legislature (1988-1995)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PENNSYLVANIA LEGAL SERVICES CENTER (HARRISBURG)
Member (1986-1994)

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY LOCAL RULES COMMITTEE ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
Chairperson (1987-1992).
Appointed by Family Court to develop local rules governing protection from abuse civil actions.

DEAN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE, PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL (1990-1995)

PHILADELPHIA SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON RACIAL BIAS IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM, MEMBER (1993)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, WOMEN'S LAW PROJECT (1986-1992)

PUBLICATIONS

On the Road to Civil Gideon: Five Lessons from the Enactment of a Right to Counsel for Indigent Homeowners in Federal Civil Forfeiture Proceedings, 19 JOURNAL OF LAW & POLICY 683 (2011)

Filling Gideon's Empty Chair, 73 THE PHILADELPHIA LAWYER MAGAZINE 37 (2011) (co-authored with Michael Carroll)

Co-authored an Amicus Brief in the Pennsylvania Supreme Court on behalf of nine legal services and domestic violence organizations in the case of *In Re: Adoption of L.J.B., Petition of CLF, Natural Mother*, 18 A.3d 1098 (2011)

Sidebar: Status Report on LRAPs for Public Service Lawyers, May/June THE PENNSYLVANIA LAWYER 22 (2010)

Student Loan Debt and Public Service: Is Relief Finally on the Horizon?, 71 THE PHILADELPHIA LAWYER MAGAZINE 14 (2009) (co-authored with Eric Foley).

Too Long Neglected: Expanding Curricular Support for Public Interest Lawyering, 55 CLEV. ST. L. REV. 547 (2007).

New Rule Represents Progress (Side Bar Commentary on Pa. Professional Responsibility Rule 6.5), 70 THE PHILADELPHIA LAWYER MAGAZINE 17 (2007).

Representation of Low-Income Clients, 5 ABA FAMILY LAW LITIGATION 9 (2006).

Unfinished Business: The Fading Promise of ADA Enforcement in the Federal Courts Under Title I and its Impact Upon the Poor, 8 J. GENDER RACE & JUST. 595 (2005) (co-authored with Jason A. Leckerman, Esq.).

Co-authored an Amicus Brief in the Pennsylvania Supreme Court on behalf of the Women's Law Project in the case of *P.R. v. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, et al.*, 801 A.2d 478 (2002).

The Long Term Impact of CAFRA: Expanding Access to Counsel and Encouraging Greater Use of Criminal Forfeiture, 14 FED. SENTENCING REP. 87 (2001).

Employment Discrimination Litigation Under the ADA from the Prospective of the Poor: Can the Promise of Title I be Fulfilled for Low-Income Workers in the Next Decade? 9 TEMP. POL. & CIV. RTS. L. REV. 345 (2000).

Access to Justice and Civil Forfeiture Reform: Providing Lawyers for the Poor and Recapturing Forfeited Assets for Impoverished Communities, 17 YALE L. & POL'Y REV. 507 (1998).

Pennsylvania Legal Services At Risk, 68 TEMP. L. REV. 541 (1995).

The New Civil Rights Act of 1991: A Role for Legal Services? THE PENNSYLVANIA LEGAL SERVICES REVIEW (Lead Article, Summer 1992).

A Call to Arms, Rutgers Law Alumni Magazine (Spring 1992)).

The partial text of a speech delivered to the incoming Class of 1994 at Rutgers Law School.

Primary author of Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas Local Court Rules 1901.1-1905.8, governing civil actions under the Pennsylvania Protection from Abuse Act. The local rules were adopted by the Board of Judges on February 16, 1989.

Op. Ed., "*Tighten Parental Kidnaping Laws*," Philadelphia Inquirer, February 3, 1988.

Authored many training publications and manuals for legal services and pro bono lawyers, including Civil Forfeiture of Real Property under Pennsylvania's Controlled Substances Forfeiture Act, Child Abuse Records Expungement Manual, Pennsylvania Support Practice and Procedure, and Pennsylvania Appellate Practice.

AWARDS

Beacon Award, University of Pennsylvania Law School, for exemplary faculty commitment to Pro Bono Work (2012)

Joseph M. Nardi, Jr. Distinguished Service Award, Rutgers Law School (2010)

Provost's Award for Distinguished Teaching, University of Pennsylvania (2006)

Philadelphia Bar Foundation Award (2005). Chosen as the first recipient of the Philadelphia Bar Foundation Award, a newly created award following in the tradition of the Louis D. Apothaker Award which honors attorneys who distinguish themselves in the non-profit, legal services community.

Pennsylvania Bar Foundation Lifetime Achievement Award (2003), presented to an individual who has a long history of pro bono representation and leadership in the creation and continuation of pro bono programs. Only the second recipient to be given this award.

Leaders for Justice Award, Pennsylvania Legal Services (2003), presented in recognition of contribution to the drafting and passage of Pennsylvania's Access to Justice Act.

Selected as one of the "Fifty Finest" alumni of Rutgers University (Camden campus), upon celebration of that institution's 50th Anniversary (2000).

Mary Philbrook Award from Rutgers Law School in recognition of outstanding public service to the Rutgers and Greater Philadelphia communities (1998).

City of Philadelphia Citation presented by Mayor Edward G. Rendell for twenty-one years of service to the poor of Philadelphia in need of legal representation (1995).

Philadelphia Bar Association Bar Medal, the Association's highest award for public service (1995).

Equal Justice Awards from Pennsylvania Legal Services (Harrisburg), Community Legal Services (Philadelphia), Neighborhood Legal Services (Pittsburgh), and the Pennsylvania Lawyer Trust Account Board (1995-96).

Commencement Speaker, Graduation Ceremony of Rutgers University School of Law (1994).

Named as one of *Philadelphia's Best Attorneys* for public interest law by *Philadelphia Magazine* (1994).

Recipient of the first annual Andrew Hamilton Award (1993) presented by the Public Interest Section of the Philadelphia Bar Association. The award is sponsored by the Philadelphia Association of Defense Counsel and is intended to recognize outstanding achievement by a public interest lawyer.

The Lutheran Settlement House Women's Program Anniversary Award for legal advocacy on behalf of low-income women (1991).

The Philadelphia VIP Founders Award (1988).

Successfully completed the S. Gerald Litvin Academy of Advocacy, an intensive jury trial litigation training course (1976).

SELECTED LITIGATION (Prior to Joining the Penn Faculty)

Provided legal representation to thousands of individual and group clients in state and federal courts and administrative and legislative forums over twenty years. Selected cases include the following:

Ziccardi v. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, et al., 500 Pa. 326, 456 A.2d 979 (1983). Pennsylvania Supreme Court decision establishing the right of a public employee to commence legal action for breach of duty of fair representation without prior resort to the state labor board.

Evans v. U.S. Postal Service, et al., Civil Action No 86-1217 (E.D. Pa.). Federal class action challenging the constitutionality of the Postal Service's mandatory drug testing requirement for all applicants for employment in the Philadelphia office. U.S. Justice Department entered into consent decree terminating pre-employment drug testing of applicants, providing employment and damages for all named and class members (over 300 individuals) and awarding attorney's fees.

Perri v. Aytch, 724 F.2d 363 (3rd Cir. 1983). Civil rights action successfully challenging the termination of a probationary city employee as violative of procedural and substantive due process rights.

Raymond Rosen Direct Action Association v. Philadelphia Housing Authority, Civil Action No. 78-1891 (E.D. Pa.). Successful federal bench trial involving first amendment challenge to Philadelphia Housing Authority's denial of use of housing authority meeting facilities to active tenant group.

Commonwealth ex rel Stein v. Stein, 487 Pa. 1, 406 A.2d 1381 (1979). Pennsylvania Supreme Court decision holding state in rem support execution remedies unconstitutional under state Equal Rights Amendment, thus equalizing the statute's remedies without regard to gender.

Putter v. Newlin, No. 03432 Phila. 1983 (Superior Court 1987). Affirmance of custody award in client's favor following 17 day custody trial in lower court raising novel issues of shared custody.

Acorn v. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Commission on Charitable Organizations, 65 Pa. Cmwlth 534, 442 A.2d 1195 (1982), rev'd. 502 Pa. 1, 463 A.2d 406 (1983). Representation of statewide community group challenging agency's statutory interpretation of Pennsylvania Charitable Solicitation Act as applied to the group's activities.

McLean v. Heckler, 586 F.Supp 1364 (E.D. Pa. 1984). Social Security disability appeal involving contempt proceedings against the Secretary of Health and Human Services and resulting in award of benefits to client. Case was highlighted in Newsweek Magazine.

BAR ADMISSIONS

Supreme Court of Pennsylvania (1974)

Supreme Court of New Jersey (1975)

United States Supreme Court (1982)

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (1975)

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (1984)

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania (1974)

U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey (1975)