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Academic Appointments

Associate Professor of Professional Practice

Erick Vincent Anderson Professor of Professional Practice

Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center, Baton Rouge, LA (2022-present)

- **Primary teaching load** is 2 sections of Legal Research & Writing I & II (approx. 35-40 students per semester).
- **Flipped classroom videos** available upon request.
- **Committee Service:** Experiential Learning Committee

Associate Professor of Legal Process

Touro College, Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center, Central Islip, NY (2007-22)

- **Primary teaching load** was 2 sections of Legal Process I & II (approx. 35-55 students per semester) in a 6-credit directorless program. Designed and taught courses in hybrid J.D. program, FlexTime, as well as our full-time day and accelerated programs. These are contract positions with no publication requirement.
- **Other courses taught:** Advanced Persuasive Strategies, Judicial Writing, Disaster Law & Policy, Criminal Law, Advanced Writing Requirement Workshop
- **Modes of teaching:** hybrid (both synchronous and asynchronous coverage), synchronous online, synchronous in-person, asynchronous online
- **Committee Service:** Diversity & Inclusion, Digital Education & Library Committee, Appointments, Academic Advising, Academic Support, Honors Program, International Programs, Conduct Review, Quality of Student Life, Scholarship & Colloquia, Admissions

Assistant Professor of Law

South Texas College of Law, Houston, TX (2001-07)

- **Primary teaching load** was two sections of Legal Research & Writing I & II (approx. 45-50 students per semester) in a 4-credit directorless program.
- **Maintained course web site.**
- **Taught new student orientation** each fall semester.
- **Successfully advocated** to convert legal writing lines to tenure track.

Associate Director, Legal Practice Program

Texas Tech University School of Law, Lubbock, TX (1997-2001)

- **Primary teaching load** was two sections of Legal Practice I & II, a 6-credit directed program that included ADR (approx. 40-50 students per semester)
- **Designed curriculum**, prepared course materials, designed problems for use by all Legal Practice Professors
- **Revamped new student orientation**

Presentations

National

Upcoming: *Using Generative AI for Legal Storytelling*, APPLIED LEGAL STORYTELLING BIENNIAL CONFERENCE (London, 7/2023).

Upcoming: *Practical Considerations for AI in the Legal Writing Classroom*, ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY SUMMER WEBINAR (Zoom, 5/2023)(**invited panelist**).

Upcoming: *Legal Education Implications of ChatGPT*, American Bar Association Deans' Workshop (Denver, 7/2023)(**invited panelist**).

Are you certain I can be uncertain? Exploring strategies for relating to, recognizing, realizing, and refining modal language in student writing, LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE BIENNIAL CONFERENCE (Georgetown University School of Law, 7/2022)(with Susan Tanner, Heidi Thompson & Marlene Krousel).

Mad Women & Murder Ballads, APPLIED LEGAL STORYTELLING BIENNIAL CONFERENCE (Zoom: Mercer University School of Law, 7/ 2021)

Cautionary Tales: Lessons Learned from the Great (Emergency) Online Teachout of 2020-21, INSTITUTE FOR LAW TEACHING & LEARNING CONFERENCE (Zoom: UALR School of Law, 6/2021).

Using Artificial Intelligence for Real Results in Peer Review Assignments, EMPIRE STATE LEGAL WRITING CONFERENCE (Zoom: N.Y. L. Sch., 5/2021) (with Susan Smith Bakshian, Loyola Los Angeles School of Law)

Teaching Legal Citation Asynchronously, LEXISNEXIS WEBINAR (Zoom, 5/2021).

Creating an Online Courtroom for Oral Arguments, LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE ONE DAY WORKSHOP (Zoom: U. of S. Dakota, December 2020).

Online Tools for Legal Education, AALS Section for Associates Dean of Academic Affairs & Research, REVISITING ONLINE EDUCATION: HERE COMES FALL 2020 (Zoom, June 24, 2020).

Tech Tools for Hybrid Legal Education, ONLINE & HYBRID LEARNING PEDAGOGY: TOWARD DEFINING BEST PRACTICES IN LEGAL EDUCATION (Denver, CO, Sept. 26-28, 2019).

Fantasy Faculty: Energize Your Teaching & Give Your Students the Education They Deserve, EIGHTEENTH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE (Milwaukee, WI, July 2018).

Resistance Writers: Using Persuasion to Save Democracy in the Era of Trump, APPLIED LEGAL STORYTELLING CONFERENCE (American U., July 2017).

Racialized Advocacy, Panelist, APPLIED LEGAL STORYTELLING CONFERENCE (American U., July 2017).

Zombie Apocalypse Research Strategy, LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE ONE DAY WORKSHOP (Delaware, December 2015).

Presentations

National, cont'd

Disaster Narratives After the Deluge, APPLIED LEGAL STORYTELLING CONFERENCE (Seattle U., July 2015)

Change or Die: Responding to Millennial Law Students' Impact on Legal Education, LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE ONE-DAY WORKSHOP (U. Conn., December 2014)

The Professionalism Dilemma for Millennial Students, LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE ONE DAY WORKSHOP (NY & Baltimore, December 2013).

From the Classroom to the Camps: Defending Human Rights in the Aftermath of Disaster, AALS ANNUAL MEETING (poster presentation with Kathleen Bergin, South Texas College of Law)(San Francisco, CA, January 2011)

Shared Technologies: Collaborating Across Law Schools, FOURTEENTH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE (with John Mollenkamp, Cornell, and Melody Daily, UM-Columbia) (Marco Island, Florida, June 2010).

Millennials in Law Practice, NEBRASKA STATE BAR ANNUAL MEETING (Omaha, NE, March 2009) (**invited speaker**)

Millennials in Law School, AALS ANNUAL DEANS MEETING (Phoenix, AZ, January 2009) (**invited speaker**).

Cheating and Plagiarism among Millennial Law Students: Causes & Solutions, THIRTEENTH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE (Indianapolis, June 2008).

Collaborative Technology in the Teaching of Contract Drafting, CONFERENCE ON THE PEDAGOGY OF TEACHING DRAFTING (Atlanta, May 2008) (**invited speaker**).

The Millennial Generation in Law School, AALS SECTION ON STUDENT SERVICES, AALS ANNUAL MEETING, (New York, NY, Jan. 2008) (plenary speaker).

Co-opt the Laptops, AALS SECTION ON TEACHING METHODS, AALS ANNUAL MEETING (New York, NY, Jan. 2008) (panel speaker).

New Technologies in the Service of Teaching, TWELFTH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE (with David Thomson and Clifford Zimmerman) (Atlanta, June 2006).

Plenary Panel Response to *Making Sense of Our Times: The Economic and Demographic Transformations of America*, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN JUDGES, 27th Annual Conference (with Professor Eboni Nelson and Judge Nan Duffy) (Houston, Oct. 2005) (**invited speaker**).

Presentations

National, cont'd

The Stranger in the Stacks: Working with Generation X & Millennials, ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW LIBRARIES, Academic Law Libraries Section (Annual Meeting, San Antonio, July 2005) (*invited speaker*).

Is the New Bluebook New? ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW LIBRARIES, Special Interest Section (Annual Meeting, San Antonio, July 2005) (**invited speaker**).

Teaching Grammar & Punctuation to Law Students: What If It Is Our Job? ELEVENTH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE (Seattle U. L. Sch., July 2004).

Understanding Why Xers and Millennials Need Better Teachers, ACTIVE TEACHING & LEARNING, Annual Conference of the Institute for Law School Teaching (Gonzaga U. L. Sch., July 2004).

Students Today, Students Tomorrow-Who Are They? The Millennial Generation, ABA SECTION ON LEGAL EDUCATION, Associate Dean's Conference, Plenary Speaker (Denver, CO, June 2004) (**invited speaker**).

Who Are Our Students? AALS SECTION ON STUDENT SERVICES, AALS ANNUAL MEETING, Panel Discussion (Atlanta, GA, Jan. 2004) (**invited speaker**).

Know Your Audience: Teaching Generation X, LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE CONFERENCE (Knoxville, TN, May 2002).

The Agony & The Ecstasy: Using Portfolios for Writing Assessment, LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE CONFERENCE (Seattle, July 2000).

When "Because I Can" Isn't the Answer: Using a Web Course Management System in Skills & Writing Courses, CALI ANNUAL CONFERENCE (Chicago, June 2000).

When "Because I Can" Isn't the Answer: Using a Web Course Management System in Skills & Writing Courses, WEB-COURSE-IN-A-BOX USER'S CONFERENCE (Richmond, VA, May 2000).

Interactive Citation Workstation, CALI ANNUAL CONFERENCE (Eugene, OR, June 1999)

Interactive Citation Workstation, INSTITUTE FOR LAW SCHOOL TEACHING, FRESH LOOKS AT TEACHING AND LEARNING LAW (Spokane, June 1999).

Criticism Under Construction: Creating Better Relationships with Students to Encourage Incorporation of Feedback, LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE CONFERENCE (Ann Arbor, May 1998).

Presentations

Regional, State & Local

Upcoming: *Bob Dylan, Taylor Swift & Me: Songwriting Inspiration for Compelling Legal Facts*, LOUISIANA STATE BAR ASSOCIATION & LOUISIANA JUDICIAL COLLEGE JOINT SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM (Destin, FL, 6/2023)(**invited speaker**).

The Legal Ethics Implications of ChatGPT, LOUISIANA ASSOCIATION OF LAND TITLE AGENTS SPRING SEMINAR (Lafayette, LA, April 4, 2023) (with Susan Tanner)(**invited speaker**).

Regional, State & Local, cont'd

Listening to Katrina, SOUTHEAST/SOUTHWEST PEOPLE OF COLOR CONFERENCE (Santa Fe, NM, Mar. 2006).

The Stranger Down the Hall: Boomers, Xers, and Millennials, TEXAS GENERAL COUNSEL FORUM (Houston, September 2005) (with Lauren Eaton Prescott) (**invited speaker**).

Managing Expectations of Generation X Attorneys, STATE BAR OF TEXAS ADVANCED IN-HOUSE COUNSEL COURSE (Austin, August 2004) (with Lauren Eaton Prescott) (**invited speaker**).

The Stranger in the Stacks: Working with Xers & Millennials, HOUSTON AREA LAW LIBRARIES (Houston, May 2005) (**invited speaker**).

Teaching Generation X Clinical Students, ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL CLINICS CONFERENCE (Houston, Nov. 2003) (**plenary speaker, invited**).

Teaching Generation X: A Legislative History Simulation, CENTRAL STATES CONFERENCE ON LEGAL WRITING (St. Louis, Sept. 2003).

After the Flood: Legal Research Implications of the TRAP Amendments, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS CONFERENCE ON STATE & FEDERAL APPEALS (Austin, June 2003) (paper by Mark E. Steiner, Ph.D., J.D.).

Teaching Generation X: A Legislative History Simulation, LONE STAR LEGAL WRITING CONFERENCE (Austin, May 2003).

The Fly in the Ointment: Understanding Generation X, LABOR & EMPLOYMENT LAW COURSE, SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE OF LAW CLE (Houston, July 2002) (**invited speaker**).

Brilliant Revision in 30 Minutes or Less, CORPUS CHRISTI BAR ASSOCIATION & ASSOCIATION OF LEGAL PROFESSIONALS JOINT MEETING (Corpus Christi, Nov. 2001).

Brilliant Revision in 30 Minutes or Less, TEXAS CENTER FOR THE JUDICIARY ANNUAL CONFERENCE (Houston, Sept. 2001) (**invited speaker**).

Unlocking the Law: Using Legal Citation as the Key to Legal Research, LAW SCHOOL PREPARATION INSTITUTE (El Paso, July 2000) (**invited speaker**).

Integrating Technology into the Curriculum, WAKONSE-SOUTH (Austin, April 2000).

Invited Law School Colloquia

Making Waves: Gen X & Millennials in Law School

Seton Hall School of Law (Feb. 2008)
University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law (Feb. 2006)
Marquette University School of Law (Nov. 2004)
University of Tulsa School of Law (Oct. 2004)
University of Oklahoma School of Law (Oct. 2004)
University of Arkansas-Fayetteville Law Center (Sept. 2004)
University of Arkansas-Little Rock School of Law (Sept. 2004)
Oklahoma City University School of Law (Sept. 2004)
Stetson University College of Law (Aug. 2004)

Teaching Generation X

Thurgood Marshall School of Law (Oct. 2003)
University of Houston Law Center (Nov. 2002)

International Teaching

Istanbul Bahcesehir University

Istanbul, Turkey

- Co-organizer of four-day conference on legal research and writing for Turkish lawyers and judges (July 2011)
- Principal organizer of four-day conference on legal research and writing for Turkish lawyers and judges. (August 2008)
- Week-long intersession legal writing course for Turkish law students. (December 2006)

Legal Writing Pedagogy Conference

Nairobi, Kenya

Presenter for conference attended by American and African law academics to exchange ideas on legal pedagogy. (March 2007)

Publications

Books

LAW TEACHING STRATEGIES FOR A NEW ERA: BEYOND THE PHYSICAL CLASSROOM (Tessa Dysart & Tracy L. M. Norton eds. 2021).

INTERACTIVE CITATION WORKBOOK: BLUEBOOK EDITION (2000-2023 eds.). (The accompanying exercises with immediate feedback can be found at <https://advance.lexis.com/icwstudenthome>. The professor dashboard can be found at <https://advance.lexis.com/icwprofessorhome/>. New exercises are produced every year. Workbook used by nearly half of American law schools. Workstation used by approximately 150 law schools. Following a year of testing in 1999 as a beta product run from the author's spare bedroom, it was licensed by LexisNexis.)

Articles

Mad Women & Murder Ballads (work in progress).

Disaster Narratives in New Orleans Speedy Trial Cases (work in progress).

Using Collaborative Writing Technology to Teach Contract Drafting, 2009 TRANSACTIONS: TENN. J. BUS. L. 189 (2009).

Generation X: The Dying of the Light or the Dawn of a New Day?, 9 J. LEGAL WRITING 119 (2003).

Short Essays

Preface 2 to LAW TEACHING STRATEGIES FOR A NEW ERA: BEYOND THE PHYSICAL CLASSROOM (Tessa Dysart & Tracy L. M. Norton eds. 2021).

The Greatest Generation of Lawyers, THE SUFFOLK LAWYER (Suffolk Bar Assoc., Suffolk County, N.Y.), Sept. 2015, at 22.

Laptops in the Classroom: Pondering the Possibilities, PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING LEGAL RESEARCH AND WRITING, Spring 2006, at 163.

Ten Tips for Surviving Generation X, THE SECOND DRAFT (Legal Writing Inst., Seattle, Wa.), Winter 2002.

The Synthesis Chart: Swiss Army Knife of Legal Writing, PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING LEGAL RESEARCH AND WRITING, Winter 2001, at 80 (*reprinted in* Steve Friedland & Gerald Hess, eds., TEACHING THE LAW SCHOOL CURRICULUM (2004)).

The Application Process, THE SECOND DRAFT (Legal Writing Inst., Seattle, Wa.), May 2000, at 12 (*reprinted in* Steve Friedland & Gerald Hess, eds., TEACHING THE LAW SCHOOL CURRICULUM (2004)).

Education

Baylor University School of Law
Juris Doctor 1994

Concentration in Criminal Practice

University of North Texas

1988-1991

Major: Political Science

Minor: Economics

Texarkana Community College

1986-1988

Other Training:

Texas Mediator Certification, 1999.

Practice Experience

Associate

Hurley, Sowder, & Reyes

Trial and appellate practice in criminal law and family law. (1996-97).

Solo Practitioner

Trial and appellate practice in criminal law and family law. (1994-96).

Professional Associations

AALS Section of Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research

Current Co-chair, Outreach Committee

Legal Writing Institute (retired Director, served 2004-12)

Current Co-chair, One-Day Workshop Committee

Association of Legal Writing Directors