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## TEACHING

### **Suffolk University Law School**

*Associate Professor of Legal Writing*

July 2017 – present

*Director, Legal Innovation & Technology Concentration*

July 2020 – present

Courses: Legal Practice Skills; Advanced Legal Writing; IP Litigation

Service: Diversity Committee (2014-2017); Ad Hoc Online Education Committee (Co-chair, 2017-2020); Learning Outcomes Committee (2016-2017); Teaching Committee (2013-2015); Administrative Committee (Co-chair, 2014-2017); Progress to Success Diversity Peer Mentoring Program (Director, 2014-2018); Academic Standing Committee (2018-present); Legal Practice Skills Committee (2020-present).

Awards: Creating the Dream Award (Office of Diversity Services)

2017

### **Suffolk University Law School**

July 2016 – June 2017

*Assistant Professor of Legal Writing*

### **Suffolk University Law School**

July 2013 – June 2016

*Assistant Professor of Academic Support*

### **New England Law | Boston**

Aug. 2007 - May 2008; Aug. 2009 - Dec. 2012

*Adjunct Instructor, Legal Research & Writing Program*

### **Northeastern University School of Law**

Aug. 2010 - Dec. 2012

*Adjunct Professor, Legal Skills in Social Context Program*

## EDUCATION

### **Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA**

J.D., *summa cum laude*, May 2005

- GPA 3.84 Class Rank 1/343
- Dean's List 2002-2005; Award for highest class grade in Criminal Law, Constitutional Law, Professional Responsibility, Evidence, and Fiduciary Relations; Legal Practice Skills Best Brief and Distinguished Oral Advocate
- Law Review (Associate Production Editor); Public Interest Law Group; Battered Women Advocacy Clinic; Thomas Clark Moot Court Competition

### **Villanova University, Villanova, PA**

B.A., Communications, *summa cum laude*, May 2002

- GPA 3.97 Class Rank 4/607
- *Phi Beta Kappa*; Dean's List 1998-2002; Verizon 2nd Team Academic All-American; Big East Conference Academic All-Star (Soccer)

## PUBLICATIONS

*Life Admin When Life Turns Upside Down: A Book Review (of sorts)*, COVID Care Crisis Symposium (forthcoming 2021) (with Professor Sarah Schendel) available at [https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=3762654](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3762654).

*“Smart” Lawyering: Integrating the Duty of Technology Competence into the Legal Practice Curriculum*, 19 U.N.H. L. REV. 197 (2021) available at <http://ssrn.com/abstract=3671632>

*(Tech) Actions Speak Louder: Developing Tomorrow’s Legal Thinkers, Problem-Solvers, & Builders*, THE FUTURE LAWYER (2019) (with Gabriel Teninbaum), available at [https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/b30d31\\_eaed1ab0927418a969fe50bd45d341a.pdf](https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/b30d31_eaed1ab0927418a969fe50bd45d341a.pdf)

*Submitted By: Legal Writing Robot*, BBO# 55555, LEGAL WRITING MATTERS BLOG (Oct. 3, 2019).

*Teaching a Hybrid Legal Writing Course? Lessons From Two First-Timers*, LEGAL WRITING MATTERS BLOG (Sept. 19, 2019) (with Rosa Kim).

*License to Hack*, 94 N.Y.U. L. REV. ONLINE 234 (2019), available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=3328874>

*iTech Year*, LEGAL WRITING MATTERS BLOG (Sept. 5, 2018).

*A-I is a G-O*, 26:1 PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING LEGAL RESEARCH & WRITING (2017).

*Picture This: Tackling the Latest Trend in Digital Note Taking*, 24:1 THE LAW TEACHER (Fall 2017).

*Hurry Up & Write*, LEGAL WRITING MATTERS BLOG (May 24, 2017).

*Flipped Out, Plugged in, and Wired Up: Fostering Success for Students with ADHD in the New Digital Law School*, 45 CAP. U. L. REV. 289 (2017), available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=2820738>.

*Legal “Street” Writing*, 29:2 THE SECOND DRAFT (2016).

*Legal Texting*, LEGAL WRITING MATTERS BLOG (August 12, 2016).

*Let Me Do It Myself: The Value of Self-Critique Training in Academic Support*, THE LEARNING CURVE (AALS Section on Academic Support) (Summer 2014).

*Advance Conflict Waivers: Will They Work For You?*, 54 BOSTON BAR JOURNAL 12 (Summer 2010) (with Mary B. Strother).

Dyane L. Noonan, “Receiving a Legal Work Assignment,” as part of the Transitioning from One-L to Summer Legal Work Podcast Series (2008); available online at: [www.law.suffolk.edu/itunes](http://www.law.suffolk.edu/itunes) (download iTunes; click “Open SULLS on iTunes U”; then follow hyperlink).

Dyane L. Noonan, *Where do we go from here? A Modern Jurisdictional Analysis of Behavioral Expert Testimony in Child Sexual Abuse Prosecutions*, 38 SUFFOLK U. L. REV. 493 (2005).

## PRESENTATIONS

*Plug & Play Lessons: Expect the Unexpected*, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference (online) (June 16, 2021) (with Professor Sarah Schendel).

*What is a Legal Hackathon?*, Innovation Law Studies Alliance (online webinar) (March 10, 2021).

*Preparing Today's Remote Lawyer for Tomorrow's Confidentiality Crisis*, Transnational Conference on the Future of Legal Education, the Practice of Law, and the Judiciary (online) (Feb. 18, 2021).

*Life Admin When Life Turns Upside Down: A Book Review (of sorts)*, COVID Care Crisis Symposium (online) (Jan. 15, 2021) (with Professor Sarah Schendel).

*The Future Has Arrived: The Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Legal Writing & Research*, American Association of Law Schools 2021 Annual Meeting (online) (Jan. 6, 2021) (with Professors Drew Simshaw and Joseph Regalia).

*Time Hacks for Teaching Legal Writing: Ways to be More Efficient in the Classroom and Beyond*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) Annual Virtual Conference (Aug. 2020) (panel presenter).

*What Are Infographics & Why do I Care?*, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Virtual Conference (July 2020) (recorded presentation).

*Which Parts Go Where? Online Skills v. Online Doctrine*, Online & Hybrid Learning Pedagogy: Toward Defining Best Practices in Legal Education, Denver, CO (Sept. 2019) (with Leah Chan Grinvald).

*Legal Technology in Research & Writing*, Harvard Law School Legal Technology Symposium, Cambridge, MA (panel participant) (Sept. 2019).

*Future of Lawyering: Determining & Finding Truth*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) Annual Conference, Boca Raton, FL (panel presenter) (August 2019)

*Going the Distance: Incorporating Legal Tech Skills in a Hybrid Writing Course*, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, Boston, MA (May 2019)

*License to Hack*, Conference on Governance of Emerging Technologies & Science, Phoenix, AZ (May 2019)

*The Robots Aren't Coming, But the Writing Bots Are*, New England Consortium of Legal Writing Teachers Annual Conference, Portland, ME (May 2019)

*Learning Here, There, and Everywhere: Distance Learning Technology & New Tech Tools*, American Association of Law Schools 2019 Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA (Jan. 2019) (panel and workshop participant)

*Artificial Intelligence Meets Legal Research*, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, Milwaukee, WI (July 2018)

*Legal Texting*, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, Milwaukee, WI (July 2018) (poster presentation)

*Time Warp: Time-Pressured Writing in the Classroom*, New England Consortium of Legal Writing Teachers Regional Conference, UCONN Law School, Hartford, CT (with Sabrina DeFabritiis, Samantha Moppett, & Kathleen Elliott Vinson) (October 2017)

*Rubrics and Checklists and Frameworks – Oh My*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) Annual Conference, Boca Raton, FL (panel presenter) (August 2017)

*Sowing the Seeds: Using Collaborative Student Career Programs to Encourage Diversity in the Legal Writing Field*, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, Minneapolis, MN (with Rosa Kim) (July 2017)

*“Jing” Me*, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, Minneapolis, MN (July 2017) (media presentation)

*Law Students With Learning Disabilities in the Modern Era: Meeting the Challenges of an Evolving Community*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) Annual Conference, Boca Raton, FL (with Laura Rothstein) (August 2015)

*Sunrise to Sunset – Breaking Tradition by Using Online Resources in Academic and Bar Support*, Association of Academic Support Educators National Conference, The John Marshall Law School, Chicago, IL (with Antonette Barilla & Elizabeth Stillman) (May 2015)

*Flipped Out & Blended In: Calling Attention to Students with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder in the Virtual Classroom*, New England Consortium of Academic Support Professionals Annual Conference, Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA (December 2014)

*Tools to Improve Peer Editing*, Legal Writing Institute One Day Workshop, Northeastern University School of Law, Boston, MA (December 2011)

## **LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

**WilmerHale, Boston, MA** Sept. 2005 - June 2008  
Senior Associate, Litigation/Controversy Department Oct. 2009 – Sept. 2011

- Represented corporations in intellectual property disputes, commercial business litigation and government investigations
- Performed all aspects of case management and managed complex electronic discovery procedures; analyzed legal issues and drafted motions, pleadings and related filings in state and federal court; took and defended depositions

**United States District Court, Providence, RI** Aug. 2008 - Sept. 2009  
Law Clerk to Hon. William E. Smith

- Drafted opinions, orders and bench memoranda
- Prepared and advised Judge Smith for criminal and civil proceedings
- Served as Teaching Assistant, Federal Practice and Advanced Evidence, Roger Williams University School of Law

**Montgomery County District Attorney’s Office, Norristown, PA** Summer 2003  
Legal Intern, Sex Crimes Unit

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

American Association of Law Schools (AALS) Section on Legal Writing, member  
AALS Section on Technology, Law, & Legal Education (Collaboration Committee 2018;  
Program Committee 2019; Award Committee 2020)  
LTC4 Legal Technology Competency Working Group member, 2020-21  
Legal Writing Institute, member  
Legal Writing Institute, Awards Committee (2020-21)  
Legal Writing Institute ALWD/LWI Survey Committee (2017-2019)  
Legal Writing: The Journal of the Legal Writing Institute (Assistant Editor 2017; Managing  
Editor 2020; Editorial Board 2018-present; Symposium Committee 2020)

Legal Writing: LWI Lives Committee (2018-2020)  
Association of Legal Writing Directors (2019 Conference Site Committee, Host Liaison; 2021 Conference Site Committee, Chair; 2021 Outstanding Service Award).  
AALS LWRR Outreach Committee (2017, 2018); Program Committee (2018-2019)  
Association of Academic Support Educators (AASE), member  
American Association of Law Schools (AALS) Section on Academic Support, member  
New England Consortium of Academic Support Professionals (NECASP) Vice-President (2015-2016)  
American Bar Association, member

**COMMUNITY  
ACTIVITIES**

iRise Above Foundation (Board member, 2019-present)  
Cohasset Soccer Club (Board member, 2019-present)  
Cohasset Education Foundation (Board member, 2021-present)  
Harvard Law School, Trial Adviser, Student Trial Advocacy Workshop (2008, 2010)  
Harvard Law School, Volunteer Managing Attorney, Problem Solving Workshop (2010, 2011)  
Womens Bar Foundation Family Law Project, pro bono attorney (2006 - 2008)  
Greater Boston Legal Services Immigration Unit, pro bono attorney (2006-2010)  
Citizens Schools Discovering Justice, volunteer teacher (2005-2008, 2010)  
Roger Williams University School of Law, Judge, Moot Court Competition (2008 - 2011)

**BAR  
ADMITTANCE**

Massachusetts, 2005  
U.S. District Court (D. Mass.), 2006