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**TEACHING
EXPERIENCE**

Associate Professor of Legal Writing
SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL

July 2018 – present
Boston, MA

Transactional Skills. Develop course and teach three credit semester-long course on transactional skills used throughout the life cycle of a company, including contract drafting, transactional research, ethics, negotiation, and other skills. Teach students about the power transactional lawyers possess to influence change in society, including through examples and exercises related to current events on topics such as Inclusion Riders. Develop assignments, handouts, activities and lecture slides. Provide students with individual and group feedback.

Legal Practice Skills. Instruct students on formulating legal analysis through legal research and legal writing assignments, including both litigation-focused assignments, such as objective and persuasive office and trial memoranda, and transactional-focused assignments, such as contracts and agreements. Develop assignments, handouts, activities, and lecture slides. Provide students with feedback on various assignments. Coordinate transactional drafting module for entire LPS program. Supervise one Teaching Assistant.

Lecturer in Law, Lawyering Program
BOSTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

August 2014 – May 2015
Boston, MA

Taught first year law student seminar of twelve students in the Legal Writing and Oral Advocacy Program, a required course for first year law students. Developed and taught original content in accordance with program outline. Graded and provided feedback on several assignments throughout the academic year. Held individual conferences with students to discuss assignments and papers.

**LAW SCHOOL
SERVICE**

Academic Standing Committee (2022 – present)
Legal Practice Skills Committee (2022 – present)
Scholarship and Intellectual Engagement Committee (2021 – present)
Appointments Committee (2021 – 2022)
Clinical Committee (2019 – 2020)
Curriculum Committee (2019 – 2020)
Diversity and Inclusion Committee (2021 – 2022)

Faculty Advisor, First Generation Law Student Association (2020 – present)
Faculty Advisor, OUTLaw Student Association (2022 – present)

**JOURNAL
ARTICLES AND
BOOK CHAPTERS**

In Business We Trust, 23 WAKE FOREST J. OF BUS. AND INTELLECTUAL
PROP. L. 227 (2023)

Litigation Bias, 101 OREGON L. REV. 51 (2022)

Transactional Artificial Intelligence, 26:2 J. OF THE LEGAL WRITING INST. 273 (2022)

Transactional Technology, 23 TENN. J. BUS. L. 361 (2021)

Chapter 13, Teaching Transactional Skills in First Year Doctrinal Courses (and Beyond), *LAWYERING SKILLS IN THE DOCTRINAL CLASSROOM: USING LEGAL WRITING PEDAGOGY TO ENHANCE TEACHING ACROSS THE LAW SCHOOL CURRICULUM* (Tammy Oltz, ed., January 2021)

Deal Me In: Leveraging Pedagogy to Teach Transactional Skills in the First Year Legal Research and Writing Program, 21 U.C. DAVIS BUS. L.J. 125 (2020)

SHORTER PIECES AND INTERVIEWS Interviewee, **Preventive Writing and Transactional Drafting**, Law FaculTEAS Podcast, <https://tinyurl.com/ykybkdn3> (January 27, 2023)

Convincing Contracts: Employing Persuasive Drafting Techniques in Transactional Documents, Legal Writing Matters Blog, Suffolk University Law School (January 2022)

From the Courtroom to the Boardroom: Transactional Oral Advocacy, 34:2 THE SECOND DRAFT (Fall 2021)

Quoted, **Not Just for Code Reviews: Using File Comparison in Legal Workflows**, Kaleidoscope, <https://blog.kaleidoscope.app/2021/06/23/file-comparison-in-legal-workflows/> (June 2021)

Oral Advocacy: Not Just for Litigators, Legal Writing Matters Blog, Suffolk University Law School (March 2021)

Interviewee, **Tech-Enabled Writing: Lessons from Professor Adam Eckart**, WordRake, <https://www.wordrake.com/blog/tech-enabled-writing-lessons-from-professor-adam-eckart> (April 2021)

Transferability: Applying Principles of Persuasive Writing to Transactional Matters, Legal Writing Matters Blog, Suffolk University Law School (May 2020)

Transactional Drafting with Donna, Google, and Cooley: Leveraging Technology Tools in a Time of Online Learning, 28 PERSPS. 47 (2020).

Effectively Flipping the Classroom by Using Team-Based Learning, The Association of American Law Schools, New Law Professors Section Newsletter (December 2019)

Small Teaching Transactional Skills in the Legal Writing Classroom, 32:2 THE SECOND DRAFT (Fall 2019)

Welcome to LPS: “Legal Power Skills”, Legal Writing Matters Blog, Suffolk University Law School (August 2019)

The Power of Group Work, Legal Writing Matters Blog, Suffolk University Law School (February 2019)

Revising Your Way to an A, Legal Writing Matters Blog, Suffolk University Law School (December 2018)

Focusing on Private Equity: Global Merger Control Implications, Competition Policy Institute Antitrust Chronicle (January 2018) (co-author Deidre Johnson)

United States Law and Practice, Chambers Global Practice Guides: Merger Control (2018) (co-author Deidre Johnson)

Navigating HSR: Key Exemptions, American Bar Association (May 2017) (co-author Kevin Walsh)

Private Equity Antitrust Handbook (American Bar Association Section of Antitrust Law, 1st ed. 2016) (contributing editor)

Hart-Scott-Rodino: The Year Ahead, Law360 (January 26, 2016) (co-author Deidre Johnson)

Premerger Notification Practice Manual (American Bar Association Section of Antitrust Law, 5th ed. 2015) (contributing editor)

A Narrowing of the HSR Investment-Only Exemption, Law360 (September 9, 2015) (co-author Deidre Johnson)

7 HSR Filing Reminders from Berkshire Hathaway Case, Law360 (September 2014) (co-author Deidre Johnson)

Jumping the Gun: Navigating Antitrust Laws Before Closing the Merger, American Bar Association (March 2014)

Minority Acquisitions and Merger Control: The Path Forward for the EU, Global Competition Review (January 2014) (co-author Deidre Johnson)

HSR Rule Changes: A Look Back (and Ahead), Competition Policy Institute Antitrust Chronicle (May 2013) (co-author Deidre Johnson)

PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, **New Voices in Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Issues**, Section on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Issues, Association of American Law Schools 2023 Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA (January 5, 2023)

Leading from the Boardroom: Contract Drafting for Legal Change, Legal Writing Institute One Day Workshop (December 2022)

Moderator, **National Coming Out Day LGBTQ+ Rights Roundtable**, Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA (October 11, 2022)

Co-presenter, **Assemble, Automate, & Scale: Is Bespoke Legal Writing a Thing of the Past?**, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C. (July 21, 2022) (co-presented with Dyane O'Leary)

Recognizing Our Biases: A Litigator's World, Legal Writing Institute One Day Workshop, University of Louisville Louis D. Brandeis School of Law (December 3, 2021)

Transactional Artificial Intelligence: Driving Efficiency, Learning, and Social Justice, Symposium on Artificial Intelligence and the Legal Profession, Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, Chicago, IL (September 25, 2021)

Facilitating FirstGen Success by Focusing on Legal Writing, Association of Legal Writing Directors (ALWD) Biennial Conference, University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor, MI (June 16, 2021)

Not Just for Litigators: Teaching Transactional Perspective in Oral Advocacy, Association of Legal Writing Directors Innovative Teaching Workshop, University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor, MI (June 11, 2021)

Transactional Technology, Emerging from the Crisis: The Future of Transactional Law and Skills Education, Emory University School of Law, Atlanta, GA (June 4, 2021)

Litigation Bias, Suffolk University Law School Faculty Scholarship Works-In-Progress Workshop, Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA (April 8, 2021)

Panelist, **Lawyers & Love: A Conversation About Balancing Family, Love Life and Personal Goals with the Demands of the Legal Profession**, Suffolk University Law School's Black Student Association and Asian Pacific American Law Students Association, Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA (February 11, 2021)

Deal Me In: Leveraging Pedagogy to Teach Transactional Skills in the First Year Legal Research and Writing Program, New Scholar's Showcase, Legal Writing, Reasoning and Research Section, Association of American Law Schools 2021 Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA (January 8, 2021)

All About Perspective: Enriching Student Learning with Transactional Perspective, Legal Writing Institute One Day Workshop, University of South Dakota School of Law, Vermillion, SD (December 9, 2020)

Bringing Lawyering Skills into the Doctrinal Classroom, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C. (July 15, 2020)

Let's Make a (Virtual) Deal: Leveraging Technology to Teach Transactional Drafting Online, Conference for Excellence in Teaching Legal Research & Writing Online, William & Mary Law School, Williamsburg, VA (June 18, 2020)

The Pedagogy of Team Based Learning: Engage, Collaborate, Assess, Virtual Symposium on Innovation in Teaching and Learning, Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA (May 12, 2020)

Two for the Price of One: Integrating Transactional Drafting into Traditional Legal Writing Assignments, Legal Writing Institute One Day Workshop,

Osgoode Hall Law School and the University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada (December 6, 2019)

Interdisciplinary Collaboration: Using Examples to Increase Student Cognition, Central States Area Legal Writing Conference, John Marshall Law School, Chicago, IL (September 14, 2019)

Using Transactional Precedent to Teach Legal Reasoning, Innovative Teaching Workshop hosted by the ALWD Teaching Workshop Committee, Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA (May 29, 2019)

Pathways to Careers in Academia: A Roundtable, Boston University Law School, Boston, MA (March 18, 2019) (invited panelist)

Integrating Transactional Skills into the Legal Writing Classroom Through Small Teaching, Nineteenth Annual Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, UNLV Law School, Las Vegas, NV (March 16, 2019)

Diversity and the Law: Coming Out in the Legal Profession, Massachusetts LGBTQ Bar Association, Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA (February 15, 2019) (invited panelist)

Listen Up: Conducting a Client Interview, University of Connecticut School of Law Faculty and Student Presentation, Hartford, CT (December 5, 2018)

Leveraging 1L: Developing Transactional Skills Through Small Teaching, Suffolk University Law School Faculty Presentation, Boston, MA (December 3, 2018)

Private Equity and Antitrust, American Bar Association (May 4, 2017) (invited panelist)

Hart-Scott-Rodino Act: Recent Developments Uncovered, The Knowledge Group (August 18, 2016) (invited panelist)

DIVERSITY,
EQUITY, AND
INCLUSION

Advisor, Suffolk University Law School First Generation Student Association

Co-Advisor, Suffolk University Law OUTLaw Association

Past Member, Suffolk University Law School Diversity and Inclusion Committee

Annual Attendee, Suffolk University Prospective Students Diversity Reception

Completed Suffolk University's "Ambassador for Inclusion" program (2021)

Panelist for programs sponsored by Massachusetts LGBTQ Bar Association, Suffolk University Law School Queer Law Alliance, Suffolk University Law School Black Student Association, Suffolk University Law School Asian Pacific American Law Student Association

Member and Co-Chair of Diversity Committees for Association of Legal Writing Directors and the Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research Section of the American Association of Law Schools

Member, Massachusetts LGBTQ Bar Association (2012 – present)

Member, LGBTQ+ Affinity Group, Ropes & Gray LLP (2012 – 2018)

Pro bono representation: Assisted the Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition in matters related to 2020 election; represented transgender clients in matters relating to correcting identification documents; represented 501(c)(3) healthcare organization providing medical services to underrepresented individuals

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Teaching and Learning Innovation Grant, Suffolk University Law School (Fall 2019). *Grant awarded for innovative team-based learning initiative for the Suffolk Law School Legal Practice Skills Program.*

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Legal Writing Institute (LWI)

Board of Directors (2022 – 2026)

LWI Lives Committee (2020 – present)

Conference Program Committee (2021 – 2022)

Association of Legal Writing Directors (ALWD)

New Member Outreach Committee (2020 – 2022)

Diversity Committee (2018 – 2020)

Chair, Diversity Award Subcommittee (2019 – 2020)

American Association of Law Schools (AALS)

Co-Chair; Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research Section, Diversity Committee (2021 – 2022)

Massachusetts LGBTQ Bar Association

Member (2010 – present)

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Associate

ROPES & GRAY, LLP

2012 – 2018

Boston, MA

Represented domestic and multinational business entities regarding antitrust laws of the United States and foreign jurisdictions, with a particular focus on merger control issues arising from acquisitions, mergers, and investments. Provided counseling in the merger advocacy process by developing client memos, competition analyses, and various presentations for use in advocacy meetings and during the course of responding to second requests. Prepared antitrust risk analysis memos for clients in connection with deal due diligence by identifying market shares and concentration concerns. Assessed US and ex-US premerger reportability requirements, preparing Hart-Scott-Rodino premerger notification forms and coordinating ex-US filings with local counsel. Routinely coordinated merger analysis and filing preparations outside the United States, including in the

European Union and its member states, as well as countries such as Brazil, Mexico, Canada, China, India, Korea, Japan, and South Africa, among others.

EDUCATION

Suffolk University Law School

Juris Doctor

2011
Boston, MA

Business Law and Financial Services Concentration with Distinction

Honors: Dean's List Honors

Activities: Massachusetts LGBTQ Bar Association; Suffolk Law Pro Bono Program

University of Connecticut

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Marketing

2006
Storrs, CT

Honors: *magna cum laude*; Dean's List Honors; Duker Award for Excellence in Marketing Communications

Activities: Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity

PERSONAL

Licensed Real Estate Broker, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Interests include my four children, reading, real estate, marathons, and skiing