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EXPERIENCE

Associate Dean for Library Services and Professor of Legal Research

St. John's University School of Law

September 2022 – present

May 2019 – August 2022, Associate Professor of Legal Research

Associate Dean for Information Services, Director of the Law Library and Professor of Law

Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University

September 2017 – April 2019

September 2013 – August 2017, Associate Professor

May 2011 – August 2013, Assistant Professor

Collection Development/Instructional Services Law Librarian

University of Tulsa College of Law Mabee Legal Information Center

May 2003 – April 2011

Adjunct Professor of Legal Research

University of Tulsa College of Law

May 2002 – May 2003

EDUCATION

The University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK

Masters in Library and Information Science, July 2004, Summa Cum Laude

The University of Tulsa College of Law, Tulsa, OK

J.D., August 2001, Cum Laude

The University of Tulsa, Tulsa, OK

B.A. (Sociology and Women's Studies), May 1997, Magna Cum Laude

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

GIBSON'S NEW YORK LEGAL RESEARCH GUIDE, 5TH ED. (with Elizabeth G. Adelman) (William S. Hein & Co., forthcoming 2027).

NEW YORK LEGAL RESEARCH, 5TH ED. (with Elizabeth G. Adelman, Kathleen Darvil, and Brian Detweiler) (Carolina Academic Press, 2026).

SPORTS BETTING: A LEGAL RESEARCH GUIDE (with Christopher Anderson) (William S. Hein & Co., 2024).

Integration & Transformation: Incorporating Critical Information Literacy and Critical Legal Research into Advanced Legal Research Instruction 43 N. ILL. U. L. REV. 280 (2023).

We Are In This Together: A Faculty-Led Approach To Fostering Innovation In Online Instruction, in LAW TEACHING STRATEGIES FOR A NEW ERA: BEYOND THE PHYSICAL CLASSROOM (with Rachel H. Smith) (Carolina Academic Press, 2021).

NEW YORK LEGAL RESEARCH, 4TH ED. (with Elizabeth G. Adelman, Kathleen Darvil, and Brian Detweiler) (Carolina Academic Press, 2020).

Brewery Law: Manufacture and Sale, in NATIONAL SURVEY OF STATE LAWS (William S. Hein & Co., 2020).

Tried & True: Fair Use Tales for the Telling – A Symposium Review (with Sarah McCleskey), 3(1) JOURNAL OF COPYRIGHT IN EDUCATION AND LIBRARIANSHIP, 1-27 (2019).

Library Director as Manager of Union Employees, in ACADEMIC LAW LIBRARY DIRECTOR PERSPECTIVES CASE STUDIES, FUTURE DIRECTIONS, AND GENERAL ADVICE (William S. Hein & Co., Michelle M. Wu Ed. 2015).

NEW YORK LEGAL RESEARCH, 3RD ED. (with Elizabeth G. Adelman, Theodora Belniak, and Brian Detweiler) (Carolina Academic Press, 2015).

OKLAHOMA LEGAL RESEARCH (with Darin Fox and Darla Jackson) (Carolina Academic Press 2013).

Honesty is the Best Policy: Collection Development Policy Revisions in an Era of Change, 36-4 TECH. SERV. L. LIBR. 8 (2011).

Statutes and Limitations: Thinking Collaboratively about Print State Codes, 36-3 TECH. SERV. L. LIBR. 7 (2011).

Reflections on the Conversation: an Overview of Collection Development Literature from 2010, 36-2 TECH. SERV. L. LIBR. 7 (2011).

Collection Development 2010: Making the Cut, part III, a Serious Look at Serials, 35-4 TECH. SERV. L. LIBR. 9 (2010).

Brains!, 35-3 TECH. SERV. L. LIBR. 8 (2010).

Collection Development 2009: Making the Cut, part II, a Periodic Debate, 35-2 TECH. SERV. L. LIBR. 8 (2009).

Collection Development 2009: Making the Cut, part I, 34-4 TECH. SERV. L. LIBR. 10 (2009).

The Evolution of the Reference Interview, 26 LEGAL REF. SERV. Q. 35 (2007).

(Editorial Advisor) AALL Social Responsibilities Special Interest Section Standing Committee on Lesbian and Gay Issues, SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND THE LAW : A RESEARCH BIBLIOGRAPHY (W.S. Hein & Co. 2007).

PRESENTATIONS

Integration & Transformation: Incorporating Critical Information Literacy and Critical Legal Research into Advanced Legal Research Instruction – Northern Illinois University Law Review Virtual Symposium (January 2023)

(Re)Searching for Justice: Teaching Critical and Alternative Legal Research to Aspiring Social Justice Lawyers – AALL Annual Meeting panelist (7/19/22)

Free and Low-Cost Legal Research Resources – St. John’s University School of Law Continuing Legal Education presentation (11/2/19)

Supporting Scholarship to Build Bridges to Our Colleagues, Peers and Students – AALS Annual Meeting panelist (1/6/19)

Top Ten Tips for Teaching Administrative Law Research – AALL Annual Meeting panelist (7/16/18)

Law Library Services in 2020: Evolution and Revolution – AALS Annual Meeting panelist (1/6/17)

Ask the Experts Tough Questions and Essential Lessons on Personnel Management – AALL Continuing Professional Education Committee program moderator (11/30/16)

Copyright Issues in Institutional Repositories – AALL Continuing Professional Education Committee program moderator (8/18/16)

Strategies for Online Student Engagement and Learning – AALL Continuing Professional Education Committee program moderator (3/30/16)

Courtroom Technology: Trends and Practical Insights – AALL Continuing Professional Education Committee program moderator (12/9/14)

Legal Writing Institute Teaching Workshop – co-presenter with Kathy Darvil of Brooklyn Law School – Developing New Partnerships With Faculty Teaching Doctrinal Courses (12/2/2011)

Legal Writing Institute Teaching Workshop – co-presenter with R. Ducey on Legal Research Exercise Development, Skills Assessment and WestlawNext instruction (12/3/2010)

“Collection Development Tools: From Tried and True to Spiffy and New” – presenter at AALL Annual Meeting (7/9/2010); presented again for MAALL Annual Meeting (10/15/2010)

“Let’s Talk Legal Research Knowledge/Skills Assessment” – co-presenter at MAALL Annual Meeting (10/17/2009)

“Let’s Talk Legal Research Instruction – What We Can Learn From Each Other” – co-presenter at MAALL Annual Meeting (10/17/2009)

“Automating the Selection, Acquisition, and Cataloging Functions Using YBP’s GOBI System” – co-presenter at MAALL Annual Meeting (10/15/2009)

“ALL-SIS Collection Development Roundtable – Making the cut: collection development in the face of shrinking budgets” – presenter at AALL Annual Meeting (7/26/2009)

“Take the Lead: Journey to Authentic Leadership” – webinar presenter (1/22/2009)

“Visionary Collection Development: Strategies for Building Legal Collections on Emerging Social Issues” – panel moderator at AALL Annual Meeting (7/17/2005)

AWARDS & HONORS

Faculty Outstanding Achievement Medalist (2024)

Dean’s Award for Outstanding Service (2020-2021)

Named one of 40 Best LGBT Attorneys Under 40 by the LGBT Bar Association (2013)

Named to the Wolters Kluwer Law & Business Law Librarian Advisory Board (2012)

Law Library Association of Greater New York Workshop Grant (2012)

Academic Law Libraries-Special Interest Section Experienced Member Grant (2010)

Technical Services- Special Interest Section Grant (2010)

American Association of Law Libraries Leadership Academy Fellow (2008)

University of Tulsa College of Law Outstanding Adjunct Professor (2007-2008)

Southwestern Association of Law Libraries Grant (2006)

Social Responsibilities-Special Interest Section Alan Holoch Memorial Grant (2005)

American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting Grant (2004)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) 2003-present

Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section (ALL-SIS) 2003-present

AALL Computer Services Special Interest Section (CS-SIS) 2011-2014

AALL Social Responsibility Special Interest Section (SR-SIS), 2005-present

AALL Technical Services Special Interest Section (TS-SIS) 2003-2011

AALL Leadership Development Committee (2009-2010)

Continuing Professional Education Committee (Vice Chair 2015-2016, Chair 2016-2017)

Innovations in Technology Award Jury Member (Vice Chair 2019-2020, Chair 2020-2021)

Appointments Committee (2022-2023)

Inclusive Community Outreach Special Committee, Chair (2023-2024)

American Association of Law Schools (AALS) 2011-present

Law Library Association of Greater New York 2011-present

Mid America Association of Law Libraries (MAALL), 2003-2011, Treasurer 2009-2011

Oklahoma Bar Association (OBA), admitted to the Oklahoma Bar in 2002

Oklahoma Law Librarians (OKLL) 2005-2011

Society of Academic Law Library Directors (2011-present, Member at Large 2014-2015 and 2018-2020, webmaster 2015-present)

Southwestern Association of Law Libraries (SWALL) 2003-2011