

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC HONORS

Dominican University, M.L.I.S., 1994
Graduate School of Library & Information Science
Honors: Beta Phi Mu

University of Illinois College of Law, J.D., 1987
Honors: Fellow, U.S. Dept. of Education, Program for Western European Language and Area Studies, 1985-1986

Saint Mary's University of Minnesota, B.A., 1981
Honors: Graduated *egregia cum laude*
Major: Public Administration; Minor: Economics
Loyola University of Chicago Rome Center, Fall 1979

AWARDS

Cook County Board of Commissioners, Presidential Resolution, 2013
AALL FCIL-SIS Spirit of Law Librarianship, 2011
AALL Presidential Certificate of Appreciation, 2010
Cook County Superior Public Service Award, 2000

BAR ADMISSIONS

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (General Bar) 1987
State Bar of Illinois 1987

PROFESSIONAL LAW LIBRARY EXPERIENCE

Chicago-Kent College of Law Library, Chicago, IL 2018-present
Director of the Law Library/Senior Lecturer

Responsible for management and oversight of all aspects of the Law Library's operations, including budgeting, collection development, policy and planning, space, and personnel. Leads projects and analyzes metrics to improve the allocation of library services and resources. Consults with Dean, faculty, staff, and students to determine the Law Library's policies and priorities.

Cook County Law Library, Chicago, IL 2015-2018
Deputy Law Librarian

Provided leadership in strategic planning, assessment, communication, and resource allocation. Assumed overall responsibility for the Law Library in the absence of the Executive Law Librarian. Established and implemented library policies, procedures, and programs aligned with institutional goals. Liaised with other county departments, bureaus, and affiliated agencies to advance library operations. Reviewed and planned for expenditures and revenues. Managed the Law Library's website using the Drupal platform. Drafted library ordinances and resolutions for approval by Cook County Board of Commissioners.

Cook County Law Library, Chicago, IL 2013-2015

Head of Public Services

Supervised daily operations of Reference and Access Services Divisions. Established and implemented library policies, procedures, and programs. Managed legal research services, evaluated electronic content, and negotiated legal database subscriptions. Facilitated library renovation and space planning. Planned and coordinated CLE programs and training for staff, county attorneys, and library users.

Cook County Law Library, Chicago, IL 1997-2013

Government Documents/Foreign & International Law Librarian

Provided American, foreign, and international legal reference and research services to attorneys, judges, and self-represented litigants. Participated in the development and implementation of public services, personnel, and information technology policies. Member of collection development committee with primary responsibility for foreign and international legal materials. Created research guides, displays, and conducted tours for lawyers, judges, students, and the public.

Cornell University Law Library, Ithaca, NY 1995-1997

Reference Librarian

Represented Law Library at university budget hearings and social science selectors meetings. Appointed Interim Administrator for Acquisitions, managing workflow, and assisting the director with budget analysis. Taught Practice Training I, the graded legal research course for first-year students. Provided training in international and foreign law research. Presented advanced legal research training for substantive seminar courses. Provided instruction in American legal research to foreign LL.M. students. Conducted legal reference services for faculty and students.

Cook County Law Library, Chicago, IL 1993-1995
Foreign & International Law Librarian & 1987-1995
Reference Librarian

Managed staff and services in the Foreign & International Law Division. Produced and designed a series of research guides for foreign and international law. Conducted reference services and bibliographic instruction in federal, state, and municipal law for attorneys, judges, and self-represented litigants. Coordinated computer-assisted legal research unit of Reference Division.

Cook County Law Library, Chicago, IL 1985 & 1986
Reference Assistant

Provided federal, state, and municipal research assistance in print and electronic formats.

University of Illinois College of Law, Champaign, IL 1986-1987
Graduate Assistant, Academic Year

Evening legal reference services to faculty and students. Subject-cataloged foreign language legal materials.

Deak-Perera, Chicago, IL 1981-1984
Head Foreign Currency Trader

Directed wholesale foreign currency operations and established foreign currency rates. Initiated and managed currency trading arrangements with banks and corporations.

RESEARCH SESSIONS

Areas of Specialization:

Advanced Legal Research

Foreign and International Legal Research

ADR in the Workplace Research (Intersession 2019); International Law Research (2019); Use of Algorithms and AI in Legal Research (2019); LW3 Forms Research (2019); COVID Collective on Research (2020); Foundations of American Law & Legal Culture (2020).

Team-taught: Strategic Problem-Solving & the Law (Intersession 2019 & 2020).

Co-lectures: Elder Law Seminar (2018); LW1: Introduction to the Library (2018); LW1: Secondary Sources (2018); International Trade Law Research (2018 - 2020); Introduction to American Legal Research Session for LLM Students (2020); International Law (2020); Comparative Law (2020); LW4: Employment Law (2020).

PRESENTATIONS - Selected

American Association of Law Libraries (AALL)

Speaker, "Strategic Planning" Chapter Leadership Training, July 2017

Speaker, "Global Legal Research: Foreign Law" Webinar, December 2012

Speaker, "Global Legal Research: Routes to Success" Webinar, November 2009

Speaker, "We Are the World: Dealing with Foreign Issues in a U.S. Law Library" SCCLL-SIS Program, Annual Meeting, 2008

Coordinator and Speaker, "Globalization Moved My Cheese: Or, How Do I Find International Law?" Annual Meeting, 2007

Speaker, "Shopping in the Global Marketplace: Information Sources for International Trade" Workshop, Annual Meeting, 2004

Speaker, "Globalization Moved My Cheese: Or, How Do I Find Foreign Law?" Annual Meeting, 2004

Speaker, "Legal Reference Services" Professional Development Workshop, 2001

Coordinator and Speaker, "Building New Gateways: Research Instruction for Foreign-Trained Lawyers and Law Students" Annual Meeting, 2000

American Society of International Law (ASIL)

Speaker, "International Legal Research Strategies-Private International Law" Midyear Meeting and Research Forum, 2014

Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI)

Speaker, "Electronic Information System for International Law (EISIL)" Conference for Law School Computing, 2005

Chicago Association of Law Libraries (CALL)

Panelist, "A Day in the Life of a Law Librarian" Mentorship Roundtable, 2020

Panelist, "Bridging the Gap between Law School and Practice: Skills Necessary for Producing Practice-Ready Attorneys" Institute Day, 2014

Panelist, "Managing Budgets in the Age of Austerity" CALL Relations with Information Vendors and the Continuing Education Committees, 2011

Speaker, "Jumpstarting Your International Law Research" Continuing Education Program, 2008

Speaker, "Local Government on the Web: Chicago, Cook County, Collar Counties, Illinois and Beyond" Continuing Education Program, 2001

Speaker, "Current Internet Issues" Continuing Education Program, 1998

Chicago Bar Association (CBA)

Speaker, "Find the Best, Forget the Rest: Cutting Edge Internet Case Preparation" Midwest Law and Technology Conference and Expo, 2004

Chicago Legal Academic System (CLAS)

Speaker, "Changing Collecting Policies" Innovating Our Way Forward: CLAS Cooperative Collection Development Workshop, 2010

Cook County Department of Veterans Affairs

Speaker, "Legal Resources for Veterans" Legal Affairs Forum, February 2014

Cornell University Libraries (CUL)

Coordinator, "Managing CUL Search Committees" 1997

DePaul University School of Law

Guest Lecturer, Litigation Strategies: Pre-Trial Civil, 2013-2017

Dominican University Graduate School of Library and Information Science

Guest Lecturer, Law Librarianship, 2009-2012

Guest Lecturer, Effective Use of Legal Resources, 2000-2001

Guest Lecturer, Legal Information Sources, 2006, 2009

Global Legal Skills Conference

Speaker, "Foreign, Comparative & International Law Research (FCIL) Toolbox" 2015

Illinois State Bar Association (ISBA)

Speaker, "Effective Legal Research" Basic Skills for Newly Admitted Attorneys, 2015

Speaker, "Effective Legal Research" Basic Skills for Newly Admitted Attorneys, 2013

Speaker, "Providing Value – Effective Legal Research" ISBA New Admittee Virtual Coffeehouse Webinar, 2011

Speaker, "Administrative Adjudications: State and Municipal Issues" CLE, 2010

Speaker, "Eminent Domain" Midyear Meeting, 2006

Speaker, “Free Sites That Will Help You Manage, Expedite, Secure and Maintain Your Practice: Electronic Resources on Administrative Law Issues” CLE, 2004

Speaker, “Administrative Agencies and Discrimination Claims: Causes of Action, Labor and Employment Law for the General Practitioner” CLE, 2003

Speaker, “An Overview of Administrative Law Practice in Illinois” CLE, 2001

John Marshall Law School

Guest Lecturer, Advanced Legal Research: International Law, 2011

Loyola University Chicago School of Law

Guest Lecturer, Advanced Legal Research: Foreign and International, 2016

University of Illinois College of Law

Guest Lecturer, Chicago Litigation Practice - Boot Camp, 2000-2005, 2007, 2010-2011

Regional Conferences

Speaker, “Trade Winds Across the Plains: International Trade Resources in the Information Age” Midwest Regional Law Library Conference, Milwaukee, WI, 1998

Coordinator and Moderator, “The Impact of Technology on Law Library Consortia and Other Cooperative Endeavors” Third Northeast Regional Law Library Conference, Toronto, 1996

PUBLICATIONS - Selected

Book Contributions

Researching the Legal Framework for Companion Animals in a Global Context, in *Global Animal Law Research Book*, Carolina Academic Press (forthcoming 2021).

Illinois Legislative History, in *Finding Illinois Law: A Librarian’s Guide for Non-Lawyers*, Chicago Association of Law Libraries.

International Economic Law in *ASIL Guide to Electronic Resources for International Law* (3rd rev. ed., Washington, D.C.: American Society of International Law, 2003).

International Economic Law in *ASIL Guide to Electronic Resources for International Law* (2nd rev. and expanded ed., Washington, D.C.: American Society of International Law, (2002).

Administrative Law: Resources and Strategy for the Web in *Handbook of Illinois Administrative Law*, 2d ed., William A. Price, ed. (ISBA, 2008).

Administrative Law on the Net 2001 in *Handbook of Illinois Administrative Law*, William A. Price, ed. (ISBA, July 2001).

Reports

Using Metrics to Showcase Value in *Defining ROI: Law Library Best Practices* (AALL Digital White Paper, 2016) with Davenport, Hayes, and Sanborne.

Articles

See the World from the 29th Floor: The FCIL Collection at Cook County Law Library, CALL Bulletin Winter 2016.

AALL's Road Ahead: Planning for the Future, 14 AALL Spectrum, Members' Briefing (July 2010).

Our Century of Change: Pioneering Innovations, 10 AALL Spectrum 14 (June 2006).

AMPC Uncovered, 9 AALL Spectrum, Members' Briefing (July 2005).

Administrative Law on the Net 2000, 30 Administrative Law 1 (ISBA, October 2000).

Internet for Legal Information: The U.S. Experience, 24 International Journal of Legal Information 310 (1996), with Germain, Court, and Childs.

Databases

Contributor and charter author, Electronic Information System for International Law (EISIL) Database, American Society of International Law, (2001-2011).

BOOK REVIEWS - Selected

Principles of French Law, 2d ed. 36 Int'l. J. Legal Info. 385 (2008).

Research Handbook in International Economic Law, 35 Int'l. J. Legal Info. 588 (2007).

Introduction to Turkish Law, 5th ed., 98 Law Libr. J. 717 (2006).

Law of International Insolvencies and Debt Restructurings, 25 Legal Info. Alert 10 (2006).

Judicial Organisation in Europe, 30 Int'l. J. Legal Info. 363 (2002).

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Chicago-Kent Fall 2020 Task Force

Chicago-Kent Coronavirus Working Group, 2020

Chicago Kent Technology Committee, 2019-present

Illinois Tech Strategic Planning – Financial Resources Task Force, 2019

Chicago-Kent Faculty Library Committee 2018-present

University Faculty Council Library Committee (UFCLC), 2018-present

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

American Association of Law Libraries (AALL), 1987-present

Lead SME, Strategic Thinking Course, 2021

AALL/Bloomberg Law Continuing Education Grant Program Jury, Vice-Chair, 2021-2022

Archives Policy Review & Digital Repository Special Committee, 2018-2019

President, 2012-2013

Vice President/President-Elect, 2011-2012

Executive Board Strategic Directions Committee, Chair, 2008-2010
Executive Board Member, 2007-2010
Annual Meeting Program Committee 2003-2004, Chair, 2005-2006
Access to Electronic Legal Information Committee, 2001-2003
Government Law Libraries Special Interest Section (GLL SIS), 1994-present
Foreign, Comparative & International Law Special Interest Section (FCIL SIS), 1993-present
Chair, 2003-2004
Research Instruction & Patron Services Special Interest Section (RIPS SIS), 1998-present
Executive Board Member, 2000-2002
Council of Newsletter Editors, 1996-2000

American Association of Law Schools (AALS) 2018-present
Member, Law Libraries and Legal Information Section

American Bar Association (ABA) 2011-present

American Library Association (ALA) 1991-present

Chicago Association of Law Libraries (CALL) 1988-present
Chair, Corporate Memory Committee, 2019-2021
Chair, Strategic Planning Special Committee, 2017-2020
President, 2004-2005
Director, 2000-2002
CALL Bulletin, Co-editor, 1996-2000

Chicago Bar Association (CBA) 1988-present

Illinois State Bar Association (ISBA) 1987-present
Member, Continuing Legal Education (CLE) Committee, 2020-2021

International Association of Law Libraries (IALL) 2013-present
Member, Board of Directors, 2019-2022
Chair, Diversity Task Force
Member, Membership Committee
Member, Annual Conference Standing Committee

Legal Information Preservation Alliance (LIPA)
Chair, Nominations Committee, 2019
Nominations Committee, 2018
Chair, Board of Directors, 2016-2017

LLMC Digital
Advisory Council, 2014-2023

Society of Academic Law Library Directors (SALLD) 2018-present

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

AALL Executive Leadership Institute, 2019
AALL Management Institute, 2009