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LAW SCHOOL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

1997 to present

THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON SCHOOL OF LAW
Akron, Ohio

Tenured Associate Professor of Law –

I teach Evidence, Criminal Law, Trial Advocacy and I am the Director of the Summer Trial Academy.

I was named “Professor of the Year” by the graduating class of 2017.

I was named “First Year Professor of the Year” by the Black Law Students Association in 2009.

I was named “Professor of the Year” by the Black Law Students Association in 2006.

I was nominated for the honor of “Professor of the Year” by the graduating classes of 2000, 2001, 2003, 2004, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019.

From August 1997 until July 2000, I was the Director of Akron’s Trial Competition Program. The National Institute for Trial Advocacy ranked Akron’s program second in the nation in 1999 and fifth in the nation in 2000 out of approximately 120 participating law schools. I personally coached a National Trial Competition team to a regional championship in 1998 and two American Association for Justice (then Association for Trial Lawyers of America) Trial Competition teams to regional championships in 1999.

2002 to present

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Teaching Team Member, Winter Trial Advocacy Workshop –

I am a member of the Teaching Team of Harvard Law School’s Winter Trial Advocacy Workshop. My responsibilities include skills training with groups of law students (large groups of 24 and small groups of 8) and a lecture and presentation or skills demonstration in a plenary session to the 144 enrolled law students.

2015 to present

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-KANSAS CITY SCHOOL OF LAW
Kansas City, Missouri

Visiting Professor –

I teach Comparative Criminal Law in UMKC’s Ireland Study Abroad Program.

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Summer 2020

CAPITAL UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL
Columbus, Ohio

Visiting Professor –

I taught Criminal Law as an online course.

2017 to 2020

EUROPEAN LAW RESEARCH CENTER, HENAN UNIVERSITY
Kaifeng, China

Honorary Professor --

After giving the keynote presentation for the Anti-Corruption Advanced International Forum on November 18, 2017, I was named Honorary Professor of the European Law Research Center of Henan University for a three-year term from Nov. 2017 until Nov. 2020 – the first American to receive this award.

Fall 2004,
Spring 2008,
and Spring 2009

**CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY, CLEVELAND-MARSHALL
COLLEGE OF LAW**
Cleveland, Ohio

Visiting Professor –

I taught Criminal Law three semesters.

1990 to 1997

THE UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON SCHOOL OF LAW
Dayton, Ohio

Adjunct Professor and Trial Team Advisor –

I taught Civil Trial Practice in the fall semester and Criminal Trial Practice in the spring semester.

I selected and coached Dayton's successful trial competition teams from 1994 until 1997. Dayton won the National Trial Competition regional championship in 1994.

OTHER TEACHING EXPERIENCE

1996 to present

THE TRIAL LAWYERS COLLEGE

Member of the Teaching Faculty –

The Trial Lawyers College is a non-profit organization committed to training trial lawyers who primarily represent plaintiffs in civil cases and the accused in criminal cases. The Trial Lawyers College holds seminars throughout the United States. I teach all phases of the trial process from jury selection through closing argument.

LEGAL EDUCATION

THE UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON SCHOOL OF LAW

Dayton, Ohio

J.D., *Magna Cum Laude*, 1986

Class rank: 3rd out of 109

University of Dayton Law Review

Academic achievement awards (top grade) in Contracts, Family Law, and Torts

Outstanding Advocate, National Trial Competition, Region VI, 1986

Student Bar Association third-year class vice-president

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

Cincinnati, Ohio

Bachelor of Arts in psychology, 1980

EMPLOYMENT

1990 to 1997

CREW, BUCHANAN & LOWE

Dayton, Ohio

Trial Attorney –

Extensive jury and bench trial experience in state and federal court in personal injury, wrongful death, medical malpractice, products liability, domestic relations, commercial and criminal defense cases. Extensive research, writing and appellate practice.

1986 to 1989

SMITH & SCHNACKE

Dayton, Ohio

Litigation Associate –

Smith & Schnacke was the largest and was generally regarded as the most prestigious law firm in Dayton, Ohio. I was an associate in the firm's litigation department from my graduation from law school in 1986 until the firm ceased the practice of law at the end of 1989.

1984 to 1986

**HONORABLE JOHN M. MEAGHER
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT**

Dayton, Ohio

Judicial Law Clerk –

Researched and drafted civil and criminal court opinions.

LAW REVIEW PUBLICATIONS

Expanding Felony-Murder In Ohio: Felony-Murder or Murder-Felony?, 63 OHIO ST. L.J. 15 (2002).

Psychodrama and the Training of Trial Lawyers: Finding the Story, 21 N. Ill. L. Rev. 1 (2001).

PRESENTATIONS (last five years)

- September 2020 Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts. I taught a three-hour class on The Critical Importance of Storytelling in Harvard Law School's Trial Advocacy Workshop.
- February 2020 Akron Law Winter Institute, Naples, Florida. This is a CLE seminar offered by the University of Akron School of Law. I taught in two sessions – one on Psychodrama in Trial Preparation and Trial and another on Jury Selection.
- January 2020 Social Justice Book Club, First Congregational Church of Hudson, Hudson, Ohio. I led a group discussion for 55 attendees on Bryan Stevenson's book, *Just Mercy*.
- January 2020 Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts. I was the presiding judge in a direct and cross-examination demonstration for 144 Harvard law students.
- February 2019 Akron Law Winter Institute, Naples, Florida. This is a CLE seminar offered by the University of Akron School of Law. I taught in two sessions – one on Closing Argument and another on Cross-Examination.
- January 2019 Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts. I gave a closing argument demonstration to 144 Harvard law students.
- April 2018 Akron Law Christian Fellowship, Akron, Ohio. I was part of a panel discussion for this student organization on "What does it mean to be a Christian?"
- February 2018 Akron Law Winter Institute, Naples, Florida. This is a CLE seminar offered by the University of Akron School of Law. I taught in two sessions – one on Direct-Examination and another on Opening Statement.
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- June 2016 Akron Bar Association, Akron, Ohio. I gave a two-hour presentation on jury selection.
- March 2016 Ohio University, Athens, Ohio. Taught mock criminal law class to prospective law students.
- March 2016 Ohio University, Athens, Ohio. Taught undergraduate Courtroom Rhetoric class.
- January 2016 Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts. I gave a cross-examination demonstration to 144 Harvard law students.

CURRENT COMMITTEES & ACTIVITIES

UNIVERSITY OF AKRON SCHOOL OF LAW

Admissions Committee

Academic and Discipline Committee.

UNIVERSITY OF AKRON

Faculty Senate since 2016

University of Akron Student Affairs Committee

TRIAL LAWYERS COLLEGE

Board of Directors since 2004

BAR ADMISSIONS

State of Ohio

Federal District Court for the Southern District of Ohio