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Education

Juris Doctor, University of Kentucky;
Master of Business Administration, Indiana Institute of Technology;
Master of Science in Management, Indiana Institute of Technology;
Master of Science in Library Science, University of Kentucky;
Bachelor of Arts in History & Latin American Studies, University of Kentucky;
Bachelor of Arts in Spanish, University of Kentucky.

Law Librarian Experience

University of Memphis: Interim Assistant Director, Public Services, Sept. 2025-Present
Information Services Librarian, 2016-Present

- Answer both reference questions for students, faculty, staff; members of the bar and the general public;
- Act as liaison to student organizations and other groups within the law school;
- Present programming on services and resources available to students;
- Assist with circulation as needed
- Provide translation and interpretation services for clinics and other units within the school.
- Provide weekly presentations on useful technology for law students.
- Present on study technologies for first year law students as part of the Academic Success program
- Guest lecture in the Legal Methods course on legal research
- Serve as embedded librarian for UNIV 4995-55, the capstone project course for Legal Studies majors.

Indiana Tech Law School: Reference Librarian and Assistant Professor in the Law Library,
2013-2015

- Answer both simple and complex reference questions for students; faculty, staff, members of the bar and the general public;
- Maintain reference statistics using web-based freeware;
- Compile subject specific bibliographies and pathfinders for student use and general purpose resource guides for the general public;
- Act as Faculty Liaison for 11 faculty members;
- Fulfill interlibrary loan requests;
- Design and implement student and faculty library usage surveys;
- Compile and analyze survey data for the Associate Dean for Library Affairs;
- Assist with circulation as needed;

- Serve as faculty mentor for five students providing guidance on courses and advice on law school coping mechanisms;
- Work with vendors in absence of the Associate Dean for Library Affairs;
- Set up Computer Assisted Legal Research database access for tenure track and adjunct faculty, as needed;
- Give tours of the law library and law school, as needed.

Teaching

Legal Methods, University of Memphis, Fall 2018-Present (Guest Lecturer);

Immigration Law, Indiana Tech Law School, Fall 2014;

Lawyering Skills (Research), Indiana Tech Law School, Fall 2013 & Fall 2014 (Team taught with Dean Phebe Huderson).

Scholarship

Articles

Whose Data is it Anyways?: Legal Risks and Burdens Faced by Librarians in the New Bibliographic Universe, 13 JOURNAL OF LIBRARY METADATA 279, Sept. 2013 (co-authored with Darra Hofman and Emily Bayma) (Peer Reviewed).

Book Chapters

Using Google Forms and Google Drive for Library Surveys, in GOOGLE IN LIBRARIES: USES FOR PATRON, STUDENT AND STAFF (Carol Smallwood ed., 2015).

Newsletters and other Publications

Technology and Libraries, ORALL NEWSLETTER, (Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries), Dec. 2013, at 10:

The Long Arm of the Law Library, SOUTHEASTERN LAW LIBRARIAN, (Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries) Winter 2012, at 4.

Presentations

Conferences

Moderator and Panelist – Diversity in Librarianship – West Tennessee Academic Library Consortium Spring Meeting, April 16, 2021, online

Presenter – When Evidence is Treated as Fact: The Legal and Ethical Problems of Data Mining; presented at Information Ethics Roundtable, April 21, 2017, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois; co-authored with Darra Hoffman;

Presenter – Cool Tools Café: Free and Low-Cost Survey Programs for Statistical Collection, presented at Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries 2015 Annual Meeting; Oct. 22, 2015, Fort Wayne, IN;

Presenter – *Fast, Easy & Free!: Collecting & Analyzing Library Statistics Online*; presented at Discovery to Delivery VI: Resource Sharing Superheroes; May 8, 2015, Indianapolis, IN;

Panelist – Human Trafficking Symposium; Indiana Institute of Technology, Mar. 10, 2015, Fort Wayne, IN;

Co-Presenter – *Win-Win Scenario: Library School Student Internships in Law Libraries*; presented at Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting 2014; Oct. 17, 2015 Columbus, OH; with Beau Steenken [Poster Session].

Continuing Legal Education

Presenter – *Immigration Boot Camp*, Indiana Tech Law School, Oct. 31, 2014, Ft. Wayne, IN;

Presenter – *Find it Fast and Free on the Net: Strategies for Legal Research on the Web*, National Business Institute, Dec. 19, Ft. Wayne, IN.

Media Appearances

Television Interviews

Sara Wagner, Immigration Law Professor: ‘Governors can’t ban Refugees, WANE-TV News Channel 15, Fort Wayne, IN (November 17, 2015),

Service

University Faculty Committees

Innovation Committee (*ad hoc*), University of Memphis, 2018;

Library Committee, Indiana Tech, 2014-2015;

Law School Faculty Committees & Task Forces

Next Gen bar Exam Task Force, University of Memphis, Nov. 2023-2024;

Rules Committee, Indiana Tech Law School, 2013-2015, Committee Chair 2015;

Diversity Committee, Indiana Tech Law School, 2015;

Readmissions Committee, Indiana Tech Law School, 2015;

Grading Curve Task Force, Indiana Tech Law School, Fall 2014;

Admissions Committee, Indiana Tech Law School, 2014-2015.

Law Library Committees

Collection Development Committee, Indiana Tech Law School Library, 2013-2015.

Professional and Community Service

Organizational Committees

West Tennessee Academic Library Consortium, Vice Chair/Chair Elect 2019-2020;
Chair, 2020-2021, Immediate Past Chair, 2021-2022, Spring Meeting Local
Arrangements 2023

Mid-America Association of Law Libraries – Annual Meeting 2018 Local Arrangements
Committee Co-Chair, 2016-2018;

American Association of Law Libraries Standing Committee on Lesbian and Gay Issues
Subcommittee on Name Change, 2016-2017;

American Association of Law Libraries Professional Engagement, Growth &
Advancement Special Interest Section - Marketing Committee, Electronic Social
Media Working Group 2015-2016;

American Association of Law Libraries - Reference Instruction and Patron
Services Special interest Section - Public Relations and Recruitment Committee,
2015-2016;

American Association of Law Libraries - Academic Law Libraries Special
Interest Section - Student Services Committee, 2014-2015;

Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries - AALL Arrangements
Committee, 2013-Present, Committee Chair 2014-2015;

Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries - Annual Meeting 2015 Local
Arrangements Committee, 2014-2015.

Community Service

American Association of Law Libraries – Legal Information Services to the
Public Special Interest Section, Indiana Public Library Toolkit

Blog posts, NUESTRAS VOCES LATINAS, (Guest Blogger)

Deportation Protections Halted by Federal Judge, February 19, 2015.

Justice Americorps, June 16, 2014.

Ciudad Juarez y Consular Processing, November 14 2013.

Unscrupulous Notarios, September 6, 2013.

In re Zeleniak and DOMA, August 23, 2013.

Professional Associations

West Tennessee Academic Library Consortium, Member, 2016 – Present;

Mid-America Association of Law Libraries, Member, 2016 – Present;

Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries, Member, 2013 - 2015;

American Association of Law Libraries, Member, 2011 – Present;

American Library Association, Member, 2011 - Present;

Southeastern Chapter American Association of Law Libraries, Member, 2016 - Present,
Student Member, 2011 – 2012;

American Immigration Lawyers Association, Member, 2008 – 2009;

Missouri Bar Association, Member in Good Standing, 2008 - Present;

Kentucky Bar Association, Member in Good Standing, 2006 – Present.

Grants & Awards

ORALL 2013 Annual Meeting Grant.

Other Library Experience

University of Kentucky College of Law Library, Intern, January 2012 - May 2012, Lexington, KY

- Assisted in collection development and management;
- Updated serial publications;
- Assisted with reference questions;
- Prepared annotated bibliographies;
- Taught a guest lecture on free legal research for first year Legal Research.

University of Kentucky College of Law Library, Student Assistant, June 2011 - May 2012, Lexington, KY

- Circulated materials;
- Assisted with collection maintenance;
- Responded to general inquiries.

Lexington Public Library Village Branch, Library Assistant, February 2011 May 2013, Lexington, KY

- Circulated materials;
- Assisted with collection maintenance;
- Assisted with reference.

Legal Experience

Ahmad Law Office, Staff Attorney, April 2010 - June 2010, Lexington, KY

- Prepared immigration filings and responses;
- Represented clients before USCIS and Immigration Court;
- Represented clients in traffic and minor criminal matters.

Interfaith Legal Services for Immigrants, Staff Attorney, November 2007 - October 2008. Saint Louis, MO

- Prepared immigration filings and responses;
- Represented clients before UCSIS;
- Interviewed immigration detainees for possible relief.

Fayette County Family Court – Guardian *Ad Litem*/Court Appointed Counsel, December 2006 - September 2007

- Represented children or parents as appointed in Dependency, Neglect and Abuse hearings;
- Recommended placement with parents or foster families.

Maxwell Street Legal Clinic, Interpreter/Translator/Law Clerk, May 2006
October 2007, Lexington, KY

- Interpreted for clients and attorneys in English and Spanish:
- Translated client correspondence and responses;
- Translated identity documents for immigration filings;
- Assisted in preparing immigration filings;
- Assisted in naturalization preparation.