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EXPERIENCE

Hofstra Law School, Robert W. Entenmann Veterans Law Clinic

Assistant Clinical Professor of Law and Attorney-in-Charge, August 2021-present

Teach law school clinic that provides representation for veterans on VA benefits cases before the VA Regional Office, Board of Veterans Appeals, and Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims along with discharge upgrade/military record correction cases before the Discharge Review Boards and Boards for Correction of Military Records.

New York Legal Assistance Group, LegalHealth Division, New York, NY

Coordinating Attorney, Veterans Initiative, 2020-2021

Founded the first two legal clinics in the country to serve women veterans exclusively, with a focus on survivors of military sexual assault/harassment. Staffed weekly legal clinics at VA medical centers in the Bronx and Manhattan, representing low-income clients through medical-legal partnership model in generalist practice. Manage 80+ caseload. Litigated in court and represented clients in administrative hearings. Coordinated legal clinic schedules for Veterans Initiative attorneys, supervised interns and paralegals on the Veterans Intake Line, and liaised with VA Medical Center staff regarding on-site legal clinics. Filed claims regarding VA benefits and discharge upgrades.

Generalist: Represented clients on matters including family law, immigration, public assistance, and housing subsidies. Represented clients in Social Security hearings and housing court.

Grant Work: Drafted grant proposals, applications, and reports for private foundations. Assisted in obtaining six new grants and many renewal grants for the LegalHealth division, totaling over \$1M.

Community Training/Education: Prepared and published the 3rd and 4th Editions of the New York City Veteran's Legal Guide. Created LegalHealth's first DSRIP-focused curricula on domestic violence and family law, presented to healthcare professionals throughout NYC. Created innovative training for healthcare providers at non-VA hospitals throughout NYC regarding veteran status as a social determinant of health. Organized and conducted know your rights trainings for veterans at the Manhattan VA Medical Center.

Staff Attorney, 2018-2020

Equal Justice Works Fellow, 2016-2018

A Better NYLAG, UAW Local 2325

President/Chair, 2020-2021

Represented over 200 attorneys, paralegals, financial counselors, and administrative staff in matters regarding job retention, promotions, disability leave, collective bargaining, and health and safety. Served as the primary point of contact between union members and management. Served as NYLAG representative to the UAW Local 2325 Amalgamated Council.

EDUCATION

New York University School of Law, New York, J.D., May 2016

Honors: John Sexton Scholarship – partial tuition scholarship based upon academic merit

Activities: The Review of Law and Social Change, Senior Articles Editor
Law Students for Reproductive Justice, Co-Chair (2014-2015)
Teaching Assistant, Lawyering Program (2014-2015)

Georgetown University, Washington, DC, May 2013

B.A. in Government (with Honors) with a minor in English, cum laude

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CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS

- *VA Compensation and Pension Exams During the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Path Forward*, Hearings Before the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs of the House Veterans Affairs Committee, 117th Congress (2021-2022)
- *Examining How the Department of Veterans Affairs Supports Survivors of Military Sexual Trauma*, Hearings Before the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations of the House Veterans Affairs Committee, 116th Congress (2019-2020)

MEDIA

- Good in Practice, 'A Different Type of Trauma': Legal Services for Women Veterans, Greenberg Traurig, Sept. 8, 2021
- Time4Coffee, 638: What It's Like Working with Female Veterans as a Lawyer with Samantha Kubek, Nov. 11, 2020
- *The VA Has Some Serious Problems with How it Handles Claims of Military Sexual Trauma*, Task & Purpose, Feb. 26, 2020
- Veterans Radio, *Samantha Kubek of the NY Legal Assistance Group Discusses MST*, Aug. 14, 2018
- *Senator's Plan Best for GI Sex-Assault Victims*, Stars and Stripes, May 17, 2018
- *Over 70,000 Military Sexual Assaults Took Place Last Year—Congress Must Take Action*, Fox News, Nov. 16, 2017
- *The Invisible Veterans*, Huffington Post, Dec. 20, 2016

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

ABA Health Law Section's Military & Veterans Health Law Interest Group, *Vice Chair* (2020-present)

New York Veterans Law Working Group, *Co-Chair* (2019-present)

Equal Justice Works Alumni Advisory Board, *Member* (2021-present)

Legal Services Corporation Veteran Task Force, *Member* (2020-present)