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LEGAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

MAURICE A. DEANE SCHOOL OF LAW AT HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY, Hempstead, NY
Professor of Legal Writing 2006 - Present

Courses Taught: Legal Analysis, Writing & Research I & II;
Federal Civil Procedure I & II; Pretrial Skills;
Selected Problems in New York Civil Practice;
Fundamental Lawyering – Depositions; Introduction to the Law;
Legal Methods; Approaches to Legal Analysis & Writing;
Discovery I: Drafting and Responding to Written
Discovery Demands; Discovery II: Deposition Practice;
Discovery III: Drafting and Arguing Summary Judgment Motions;
Perspectives in Legal Analysis & Writing;
Legal Interviewing, Counseling & Negotiating; Edge Ahead Program;
and tutored in Hofstra’s summer bar preparation course 2012-20

Annual Program in Comparative and International Law at the University of Curaçao,
Sponsored by the Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University, the University of
Baltimore School of Law and Erasmus University Rotterdam School of Law.

Course Taught: International Civil Litigation in U.S. Courts Dec. 2019 – Jan. 2020

Awards: Teacher of the Year – 2015 & 2020

Administration: Law School Delegate to the University Senate 2018 - Present
Member of the University Special Committee on Grievances 2019 - Present

BENJAMIN N. CARDOZO SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, NY 2007 - 2013
Adjunct Assistant Professor of Law

Courses Taught: Lawyering Skills and Legal Writing I & II

LEGAL PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

PICCIANO & SCAHILL, P.C., Bethpage, NY 2016 - 2018
Senior Associate: Researched and drafted motion papers on behalf of
defendants, primarily in support of and in opposition to summary judgment motions.

ABBOTT & REISS, P.C., East Meadow, NY 2006 - 2015
Of Counsel: Handled all phases of the defense of employment law matters before federal and state courts, arbitrators and administrative agencies from pre-litigation counseling through trial.

NASSAU COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, Uniondale, NY 2008 - 2011
Administrative Law Judge: Presided over administrative proceedings related to alleged violations of New York State and Nassau County health laws, conducted hearings on contested allegations and issued Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendations.

FARRELL FRITZ, P.C., New York, NY/Uniondale, NY 2004 - 2006
Senior Associate: Represented clients in all stages of litigation with emphasis on employment law and commercial cases.

BURNS, RUSSO, TAMIGI & REARDON, LLP, Mineola, NY 2002 - 2004
Senior Counsel: Defended clients in civil actions with emphasis on employment law and tort cases in state and federal courts in New York. Handled all phases of litigation from drafting of pleadings through appeals.

NIXON PEABODY, LLP, Garden City, NY 1998 - 2002
Of Counsel: Represented clients in civil litigation in a broad range of legal fields including employment law and commercial actions. Represented Nassau County in three day injunction hearing and on appeal and obtained order preventing New York Islanders from abandoning Nassau Coliseum.

Oversaw less experienced attorneys and all litigation paralegals in the firm's Garden City office.

RIVKIN RADLER, LLP, Uniondale, NY 1986 - 1998
Partner/Associate: Served as National Coordinating Counsel for several clients. Personally represented clients and supervised local counsel in all stages of civil cases in federal and state courts throughout the nation. Practice concentrated in employment law, products liability and tort matters. Trained new associates in firm policies, litigation practices and legal writing.

PRO BONO ACTIVITIES

NEW YORK STATE SUPREME COURT, Mineola, NY 2005 - Present
Arbitrator: Preside over court mandated arbitrations involving fee disputes between attorneys and clients and issue findings and awards.

EDUCATION

- ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**, Jamaica, NY 1986
Juris Doctor - Honors: Am. Jur. Award in Civil Procedure; Dean's List
- STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT ALBANY**, Albany, NY 1980
Bachelor of Arts, Major in History - Dean's List

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- 2017-18 CPLR Update*, Nassau Academy of Law CLE Program, Mineola, NY – October 3, 2018.
- Joint Defense Agreements – Pros and Cons*, Defense Research Institute Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD, November 1997.
- Cross-Examining Expert Witnesses*, New York State Bar Association Seminar, New York, N.Y., October 1996.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, *Putting Legal Doctrine into Practical Context: Companion Materials for Civil Advocacy Courses*, Wolters Kluwer, 2016.
- Co-author, *Rebalancing the Curriculum to Give Students a Competitive Edge*, New York Law Journal, August 17, 2015.
- Client Bulletins & Blog Entries on Employment Law Topics, Abbott & Reiss, P.C. Website, November, 2010 - 2015.
- Kumho Tire Co. v. Carmichael – Clarifying the Scope of Daubert – The Admissibility of Expert Scientific Opinions*, Nixon Peabody Website, March 23, 1999.
- Primary author, *A Sexual Harassment Primer*, The Practical Lawyer, Vol. 42, No. 3, April, 1996.
- Primary author, *Latent Injuries and the Statute of Limitations*, The New York Law Journal, December 1, 1994.
- Co-author, *Circuit Courts Split on Scope of FIFRA*, The National Law Journal, November 2, 1992, Vol. 15 – No. 9.
- Co-author, *The Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act: Preemption and Toxic Tort Law*, Fordham Environmental Law Journal, Vol. II, No. 1 (1991).

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York State

U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit,

U.S. District Courts for the Eastern, Southern, Western and Northern Districts of New York

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

New York State Bar Association

Legal Writing Institute