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## Experience

### Head of Faculty and Research Services

January 2018 - Present

### Professor of Legal Research

November 2017 - Present

### Scholarly Communications & Faculty Services Librarian

January 2015 –January 2018

### Penn State Law, The Pennsylvania State University

University Park, Pennsylvania

- Lead administrator of Penn State Law Institutional Repository, the eLibrary
  - Oversaw redesign of eLibrary site, including restructuring of content collections
  - Created Selected Works/Expert Gallery profiles for faculty members
  - Cultivated and added content to eLibrary, including faculty journal articles and publications, Clinic publications and events, and law school events
  - Migrated full content runs of old law school journals to eLibrary Digital Commons platform
  - Worked with journal editorial board to move *Arbitration Law Review* to eLibrary Digital Commons platform
  - Liaison between *Arbitration Law Review* editorial board and Thomson Reuters for licensing of eLibrary journal content
  - Liaison between *Journal of Law and International Affairs* and Sheridan printing for developing a print journal component to online offering
  - Developed Open Access policy for SJD dissertations that allows for only two-year embargo before posting on eLibrary to enhance accessibility of scholarship
  - Coordinated printing and binding of SJD dissertations for library display and availability for loan
  - Coordinate trainings for journal editorial boards with BePress platform consultant
- Lead administrator of Penn State Law's Legal Research Paper Series on Social Science Research Network (SSRN)
  - Collected and uploaded faculty scholarship to the Penn State Law Legal Research Paper Series on the Social Sciences Research Network
  - Organized faculty publications on the paper series by year and publication number for ease of accessibility
  - Cultivated faculty scholarship for distribution of paper series e-journal
- Lead coordinator of research and publication services
  - Designed and developed pilot Library Research Assistant program for Fall 2016, including creating job description, conducting interviews, and making final hiring recommendation
  - Expanded Research Assistant program after pilot period to include 3 part-time student research assistants
  - Coordinate summer research assistant training and serve as main research assistant trainer throughout the year
  - Assist faculty in determining impact of scholarship, including the use of altmetrics
  - Developed policy for student access to ExpressO law review submission service for enhanced reach of student scholarship

- Maintain faculty access to Scholastica and ExpressO publication services
- Coordinate with Penn State Law Associate Dean for Research on completion of Faculty Scholarship booklet
- Lead coordinator for faculty services
  - Conducted library resources orientation for new School of International Affairs faculty
  - Developed and maintained Faculty Services Libguide
  - Maintained “New at the Law Library” Libguide
  - Conducted library resource training for international visiting scholars
  - Distribute weekly email containing newly released legal publications to faculty for faculty collection suggestions
- Teaching Responsibilities include:
  - Developed first-year legal research course for first implementation in Fall 2015
  - Teach 2-credit first-year legal research course every fall semester
  - Teach in Practice Oriented Training and Tips (PORTT) certificate program
  - Law Review and Journal orientation on scholarly and interdisciplinary research
  - Developed course proposal for 2-credit Researching Administrative Law course for law faculty approval
  - Developed all course content for Researching Administrative Law
  - Teach 2-credit, upper level Researching Administrative Law course every spring semester (beginning with Spring 2019)
  - Taught workshop on legal secondary sources to international LLM students
- Project Manager of Pennsylvania Records and Briefs Digitization Project
  - Identified digitization partnership with Law Library Microform Consortium and Google
  - Created project workflow and workplan for staff and students
  - Created student assistant job description and hired two student assistants for metadata entry
  - Trained staff and student assistants and drafted internal project guidance documents for reference
  - Participate in monthly meetings with Google Books partner to update on progress of project
  - Responsible for scheduling all shipments with Google through Google manifest posting
  - Input metadata for records and briefs into template provided by Goggle and barcode discrete items
- Assist with library collection development and acquisitions decisions
- Assist students, faculty, and public patrons with research and reference questions
- Co-authored proposal for library tech lab and one button recording studio
- Conducted library orientation and tours for new law students
- Presented at School of International Affairs workshop on library resources

**Service to Penn State Law and University** - University Libraries Open Education Taskforce, University Libraries Invited Speakers Committee, University Libraries Open Access campus liaison, University Libraries Curricular and Instructional Affairs Committee, University Libraries Community of Instruction Leader, Penn State Law Minority Mentor Program, Penn State Law Admissions Committee, Penn State Law Strategic Planning Committee

**Collection Development Librarian****September 2012 – December 2014****Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, Cleveland State University Cleveland, Ohio**

- Coordinated and managed law library's selection and acquisition of print and electronic resources
  - Implemented and participated in review in review of publications that led to a \$90,000 savings in Fiscal Year 2014
  - Managed the library's faculty development budget
  - Reviewed and evaluated electronic databases for purchasing and licensing decisions, represented the Law Library's interest in OhioLINK database selection and coordinated licensing, marketing, and selection of databases with University Library.
  - Developed microform weeding procedure
  - Developed and reviewed collection development policies and procedures, including a new Collection Development Policy and Acquisition Policy for Special Collections
  - Marketed new publications to faculty, staff, and students through a variety of communication platforms including blog posts, electronic signage, displays, and email
- Teaching duties included:
  - Developing new librarian-led Legal research and Writing program and teaching in the pilot program
  - Guest lectured for a variety of classes
  - Taught in library's research certificate program
- Managed and directed a team of colleagues in the Sheppard digitization project by ensuring that quality work was being accomplished in an efficient manner
  - Researched and recommended digitization equipment for Sheppard digitization project
  - Scheduled workers to complete scanning and inventory process of Sheppard materials
  - Worked with University Archivist and outside digitization professionals to determine digitization and archival best practices
  - Collaborated with colleagues to determine the appropriate web platform for Sheppard exhibit
- Developed and maintained library research guides, including comprehensive research database guide
- Assisted faculty, students, and public patrons in research during reference desk rotation

**Service to Cleveland-Marshall College of Law and Cleveland State University – Libraries Discovery Layer Committee, Law Library Search Committee**

**Research Librarian****August 2011 – August 2012****Harris Beach, PLLC****Rochester, New York**

- Conducted extensive legal research using Westlaw, WestlawNext, and LexisNexis, as well as specialized governmental databases
- Conducted citation and substance checks on attorneys' briefs and memoranda of law
- Responsible for updates of library intranet and SharePoint site and implemented a research request tracking system in SharePoint
- Implemented library blog to communicate research resources and news to attorneys at the firm
- Developed and implemented educational seminar on interesting and useful iPhone and iPad apps

**Attorney Editor/Senior Attorney Editor  
West, a Thomson Reuters Business**

**August 2006 – August 2011  
Rochester, New York**

- Responsible for production of more than two-dozen publications per year, including multi-volume treatises and practice sets
- Responsible for life-cycle of publications, including author and contractor recruitment, editorial review, and final production
- Resolved marketing, pricing, and royalty issues
- Liaised with sister company management to formulate a streamlined production process
- Developed new revenue opportunities by submitting new product proposals
- Wrote headnotes for state and federal cases
- Wrote in-house updates for newsletters and various personal injury and damages publications
- Edited manuscripts through fact-check and cite-check to ensure accuracy of content
- Trained newly hired attorney editors on contract negotiation, administrative duties, and case history resolution

**Education**

University at Buffalo  
Buffalo, New York

MLS, 2012

Research Interest: Emerging and mobile technologies; virtual reference – Independent study thesis:  
Smartphones in the Library: A New Mobile Era

University at Buffalo School of Law  
Buffalo, New York

JD, 2006, *cum laude*

Activities: Buffalo Moot Court Board, 2004 Desmond Moot Court Competition, Buffalo Intellectual Property Law Journal, Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity

University at Buffalo  
Buffalo, New York

BA, 2003, *magna cum laude*

Major Study: Political Science and Social Sciences Interdisciplinary (Legal Studies)

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa Society, Mortar Board Honor Society, Golden Key International Honour Society, Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honor Society, National Residence Hall Honorary

**Honors and Awards**

- 2016 American Association of Law Libraries Leadership Fellow
- 2014 American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting Grant
- 2014 Society of Ohio Archivists New Professional Scholarship

**Licensures**

New York State Bar, admitted 2007

**Publications**

**Contributions to Books – Peer-Reviewed**

Pedagogy: Designing a Legal Research Course, in INTRODUCTION TO LAW LIBRARIANSHIP (Zanada Joyner and Cassandra Laskowski eds.), forthcoming 2020.

Hate Crimes, in *SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND THE LAW: A RESEARCH BIBLIOGRAPHY* (Margaret Butler, David Holt & Dana Neacsu eds.), 2018 (William S. Hein & Co., Inc.).

Sexual Orientation Discrimination in Sport, in *SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND THE LAW: A RESEARCH BIBLIOGRAPHY* (Margaret Butler, David Holt & Dana Neacsu eds.), 2018 (William S. Hein & Co., Inc.).

## **Articles**

Teaching Cost-Effective Research Skills: Tips for Effective and Efficient Legal Research, *AALL SPECTRUM*, March/April 2016, at 31 (with Theresa Tarves).

Filling the Google Gaps: Harnessing the Power of Google through Instruction, *AALL SPECTRUM*, September/October 2015, at 38.

Research and Resources: Where to Begin Researching International Sports Law, *THE DAILY RECORD*, June 26, 2012.

Research and Resources: Where to Begin Researching Civil Rights Law, *THE DAILY RECORD*, December 26, 2011.

## **Online Instruction Modules– Peer Reviewed**

*Ohio Citation*, Center for Computer Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI), 2015 (with Carolyn Broering-Jacobs).

*Legal Research Methodology*, Center for Computer Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI), forthcoming 2020 [review and revision of lesson originally authored by Wendy Scott and Kennard Strutin].

*New York Legal Research: Primary Resources*, Center for Computer Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI), forthcoming 2020 [review and revisions of lesson originally authored by Joseph Gerken].

*Pennsylvania Legal Research: Primary Resources*, Center for Computer Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI), forthcoming 2020 [review and revision of lesson originally authored by Brent Johnson, Ed Sonnenberg, and Patricia Fox].

*Pennsylvania Legal Research: Secondary Resources*, Center for Computer Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI), forthcoming 2020 [review and revisions of lesson originally authored by Brent Johnson].

## **Instructional Materials – Peer-Reviewed**

First-year Research Syllabus, *RESEARCH, INSTRUCTION, AND PATRON SERVICES TEACH-IN KIT*, 2017 (American Association of Law Libraries), available at <https://perma.cc/Q2UC-VU7B>.

Legal Research Final Project, *RESEARCH, INSTRUCTION, AND PATRON SERVICES TEACH-IN KIT*, 2017 (American Association of Law Libraries), available at <https://perma.cc/3D2J-7WK3>.

## **Book Reviews**

Review, *The Illustrated Guide to Criminal Law*, AALL SPECTRUM BLOG, September 9, 2013.

Review, *The Nakaz of Catherine the Great: Collected Texts*, 19 LH&RB NEWSLETTER 42 (Spring 2013).

## **Presentations**

Using Presentation and Collaboration Tools in the Classroom, Penn State Libraries Instruction Community of Practice Workshop, May 14, 2020.

Opening Remarks, Teaching the Teachers Conference, May 30, 2019.

Teaching Communication Skills to a Tech-Savvy Generation, Society of American Law Teachers Teaching Conference, October 6, 2018.

Research Competencies: From Classroom to Practice, AALL Annual Meeting and Conference, July 17, 2016.

Building Special Collections: Lessons from Digitizing, Organizing, and Archiving the Sam Sheppard Collection, Bepress Digital Commons Webinar Series, November 5, 2014.

Digitizing Murder: Inventory, Platforms, and Websites, Oh My!, CALI Conference for Law School Computing, June 19, 2014.

Cool Tools: iPhone and iPad Apps, Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting, October 17, 2013.

Smartphones in the Library: A New Mobile Era, University at Buffalo Graduate School of Education Research Symposium, April 5, 2012.

## **Professional Development**

- Teaching the Teachers Conference, 2019
- SEAALL Annual Meeting and Conference, 2019
- AALL Annual Meeting and Conference, 2011, 2012, 2014 - 2018
- Penn State Information Literacy Immersion Program, Association of College and Research Libraries, University Park, Pennsylvania, May 2016
- AALL Leadership Academy, Chicago, Illinois, April 2016
- Repository Manager Certificate Program, Berkeley, California, March 2016
- Legal Research Teaching Academy, pre-conference workshop, AALL Annual Meeting and Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, July 2015
- Law Repositories: Shaping the Future, Williamsburg, Virginia, March 2015
- CALI Conference for Law School Computing, 2013, 2014, 2018, 2020
- Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting and Conference, 2013, 2014
- Society of Ohio Archivists Spring Meeting, Dublin, Ohio, 2014

## **Service to the Profession**

American Association of Law Libraries (2010 – present)

- AALL Spectrum Editorial Board member (2015 – 2018)
- Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section (2010 – present)
  - Collection Development Committee (2013 – 2015), Faculty Services Committee (2015 – 2017)
- Computing Services Special Interest Section (2013 – present)
  - Communications Committee (2013 – 2015), Education Committee (2014 – 2016), Blog Committee (2016 – 2017), Grants Committee (2016 – 2017)
- Research Instruction, and Patron Services Special Interest Section (2015 – present), Vice Chair 2020-2021
  - Legal Research Competency Committee (2016 – present) – co-chair 2016 – 2018
  - Strategic Planning Taskforce (2017 – 2018)
  - Teach-in Kit Committee (2018 – 2020)
  - Membership Taskforce (2018 – present)
  - Teaching the Teachers Conference Development Taskforce (2016 – present), co-chair 2016 – 2019
  - Grants Committee (2019 – 2020)
  - Programming Committee, chair 2020-2021
- PEGA-SIS Special Interest Section (2015 – present)
- Technical Services Special Interest Section (2013 – 2014)
- Private Law Libraries Special Interest Section (2011 – 2012)