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EDUCATION

M.L.I.S. with certificate in Law Librarianship, University of Washington Information School, Seattle, Washington, 2002

J.D. Cum Laude, University of Wisconsin Law School, Madison, WI, 1995

Masters in Philosophy, University of Hawai'i, Honolulu, HI, 1992

A.B. with distinction in Philosophy, Duke University, Durham, NC, 1989

LIBRARY EXPERIENCE

Coordinator of Electronic Services, Seattle University Law Library (1/2018 to present)

- Manage digital and electronic services, including overseeing database and e-book access.
- Evaluate, negotiate licenses for, and manage electronic resources.
- Supervise one staff member and two student workers in identifying, collecting, and uploading content to the Law Library's Digital Repository.

Assessments Coordinator, Seattle University Law Library (6/2017 to present)

- Support collection, tracking and reporting of Law Library data.
- Coordinate and facilitate departmental assessment goals.
- Lead strategic planning for Library assessment.

Reference Librarian, Seattle University Law Library (9/2002 to present)

- Staff the reference desk, assist patrons with research queries, and support the research requirements of faculty as a faculty liaison.
- Research, develop, and maintain relationships with vendors, publishers and other library consortia for digital products.
- Manage the development, maintenance and implementation of the Library's business continuity plan.
- Serve on library and university committees.

Reference Librarian, King County Law Library (part-time 10/1999 to 9/2002)

- Assist patrons in locating appropriate print and electronic resources within the collection and on the web. Draft pathfinders and research guides.
- Create training materials and train library patrons, both in groups and one-on-one. Write and teach Continuing Legal Education seminars for attorneys.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor, Seattle University School of Law (2002 to present)

Under an adjunct professor contract, teach 2 credit, semester-long legal research courses

- Advanced Legal Research (face to face)
- Advanced Online Legal Research (online)(developed course)
- Low Cost Legal Resources (face to face)(1 credit intersession course)(developed course)
- Legal Research Methods (face to face)

Guest Lecturer, Seattle University School of Law (2002 to Present)

At the request of doctrinal faculty, teach 1 to 1.5 hour sessions. Topics include:

- Administrative Law, background and research for commenting on regulations
- Basic Legal Research for 1L Legal Writing
- How to Use Canvas for Law Faculty
- Legal Research for Criminal Law Externships
- Legal Research for Government Externships
- Legal Research for In-house Externships
- Legal Research for Judicial Externships
- Legislative History for 1L Legal Writing
- Lowering Legal Research Costs for Social Justice Brown Bag
- Research Refresher for 2L Legal Writing
- Researching with Bloomberg Law for Legal Writing Faculty
- Source and Cite for Seattle Journal for Social Justice

Guest Lecturer, University of Washington iSchool (Fall 2018)

- Created and taught LIS 579, Instructional Strategies for Legal Information

Instructor, University of Washington Online Paralegal Certificate Program (2004-2016)

- Introduction to the American Legal System (online) (developed course)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Pierce County Superior Court Commissioner Dana Kiesel Mentor Group, 2015: *Low Cost Legal Research*

Seattle University CLE Legal Research Efficiency, Effectiveness and Other Good Stuff, December 2014: *Buying E-Resources and Ethics Issues*.

American Association of Law Librarians Annual Meeting Poster Session, July 2014: *Embedded Librarianship*

King County Office of the Public Defender 2012 Forensics Roundup, March 2012: *On-Line Research—Legal Research and Beyond*.

Law Librarians of Puget Sound, October 2011: *Honoring Courage: Finding the Honorary Degree Recipients for Seattle University Commencement 2011*

National Network of Law School Officers Annual Meeting, Seattle WA, March 2011: *Gaining a Better Understanding of this Generation of Law Students.*

American Association of Law Libraries, Webinar, November 2008: *How to Train Without Showing Up* (with Rita Kaiser).

National Business Institute, Seattle, WA, December, 2008: *Find it Free and Fast on the Net: Strategies for Legal Research on the Web.*

CALI Conference, Reno, Nevada, June, 2007: *Pimp My Tutorial* (with Tyler Fox).

Seattle University School of Law CLE How Lawyers Can Use the Internet More Effectively, April, 2007: *Using the Internet to Find Primary Sources.*

Institute for Paralegal Education, Seattle, WA March, 2005: *Premier Legal Research and Technology Strategies.*

Online NorthWest, Corvallis, OR, January, 2005: *Using Technology to Bring Exhibits to Life* (with Stephanie Wilson).

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Library Exhibits for the Digital Era, Law Librarians in the New Millenium, Nov.-Dec. 2004, at 4.

Brown v. Board of Education, A 50th Anniversary Exhibit, at <http://www.law.seattleu.edu/information/brown/home.asp> (last modified April 2004).

Seattle University Law Library Virtual tour, at <http://www.law.seattleu.edu/library/virtualtour> (last modified February 2003).

Serving Pro Se Patrons: An Obligation and an Opportunity, 22 Legal Reference Servs. Q. 41 (2003).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Washington State Bar Association (since 1997)

American Association of Law Librarians (since 1999)

Law Librarians of Puget Sound (since 1999)

WestPac (since 2002)

State, Court, and County Law Libraries, Special Interest Section (since 1999)