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## Teaching

University of North Carolina School of Law

- Clinical Professor since 2010 and Assistant Dean since 2011
- Director of Legal Writing 2010-11
- Courses: Research, Reasoning, Writing, & Advocacy; Honors Writing Scholar Seminar & Lab

Vanderbilt University Law School: Associate Professor 2004-10; Asst. Prof., 1998-2004

- Director of Legal Writing 2000-10; Coordinator of Legal Writing, 1998-2000
- Chair of the Planning Committee on an LL.M. for Foreign Law Graduates, 1999-2000
- Courses: Legal Writing; Teaching Assistance for Legal Writing; Introduction to Legal Research & Writing in the U.S. (mandatory LL.M. course); European Union Law; Comparative Constitutional Law of Germany & the U.S. (co-taught)

Pennsylvania State University, Dickinson School of Law: Fellow, 1996-98

Courses: Lawyering Skills & Landlord-Tenant Law; Equal Protection & Civil Rights

- Other:
- Short Courses in Germany: Introduction to Anglo-American Law, Universität Bonn Law Faculty (2003-2006, 2008, 2011-12 with Prof. Dr. Nina Dethloff); Introduction to U.S. Law, Universität Bielefeld (2000); American Law Introductory Courses, organized by Michigan Law School & the *Deutsch-Amerikanische Juristen-Vereinigung* (1998, 1999, & 2001)
  - Teaching & Research Assistant, Universität Potsdam (Germany) Law Faculty, 1994-95
  - Legal Writing Instructor (as a 3L), University of Michigan Law School, 1990-91

## Education

- LL.M., *magna cum laude*, Universität Potsdam, Germany, 1995
- J.D., *cum laude*, University of Michigan Law School, 1991 (Law Review; 4 Merit Certificates)
- B.A., College of William & Mary, 1985 (Phi Beta Kappa; German Department Distinguished Student Award; 30 credits earned on academic scholarship at Universität Münster, Germany)

## Clerkship

Hon. James G. Carr, United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio, 1995-96

## Practice

Associate, Pierce Atwood, Portland, Maine, 1991-93

Summer Associate, U.S. Department of State, Legal Adviser's Office, 1990

Robert Bosch Foundation Fellow, Federal Ministry of Justice & *Landgericht* (Regional Court), Bonn & Freiburg, Germany, 1993-94

Summer Associate, Hooper, Hathaway, Price, Beuche & Wallace, Ann Arbor, 1989

## Service, Reports, & Presentations

### American Bar Association

#### ABA Section on Legal Education & Admissions to the Bar

- Curriculum Committee: helped produce the *Survey of Law School Curricula* (2d ed. 2012)
- Communication Skills Committee:
  - Vice Chair 2008-09, Member 2001-09
  - Moderator, *Legal Writing for Business & Transactional Lawyers: A Conversation Between Practitioners & Professors*, ABA Annual Meeting, San Francisco, 2007
- Accreditation Site Evaluation:
  - J.D. Programs, Team Member: Ave Maria, BYU, John Marshall–Atlanta, Notre Dame, Pontifical Catholic of Puerto Rico, & Vermont
  - J.D. Programs, Chair: Creighton, Montana, & Widener-Harrisburg
  - Accreditation Site Evaluator for 4 LL.M. Programs
  - Presenter at Accreditation Site Evaluation Team Chair & Evaluators Workshop, 2009

#### ABA Rule of Law Initiative

- Teaching of Professors, CLE Instructors, and Students in Cairo, Egypt, 2014
- Site Evaluation Team for University of Bahrain College of Law, 2013
- Consulting on Development of Legal Writing Instruction at Qatar University, 2010 & 2011

Association of American Law Schools: Developer & Presenter, at the AALS Workshop for Beginning Legal Writing Teachers, 2005, 2007, 2009, & 2013

#### Association of Legal Writing Directors

- Leadership: President-Elect, President, & Immediate Past President, 2005-08; Executive Committee 2004-08; Board of Directors, 2001-05
  - Presented *Accreditation Policy & Quality Instruction*, ABA Midyear Meeting, Miami, 2007
- Various Committees since 1999, & Co-Liaison to the ABA Council 2003-10
- Presentations at the Association's Biennial Conferences:
  - *Teaching Ideas—Citation; Publish, Don't Perish* (Discussion Panels), 2017
  - *Further Developing a Research Project to Assess Program-Wide Learning Goals of a First-Year Program* (Co-Presenter), 2015
  - *Directing as Heart-and-Soul Work: Wisely Fostering Teamwork and Individual Growth Despite Competitive Pressures*, 2015
  - *Cooperative Hybrid Teaching: Collaboration Within and Beyond the Traditional Course*, 2013
  - *ABA Accreditation Update* (Panelist), 2009 & 2011
  - *ALWD's Mission & Membership* (Membership Meeting), 2007
  - *ABA Accreditation Standards & Legal Writing* (Plenary Session Panelist), 2005
  - *Leadership Styles* (Breakout Session Leader), 2003
  - *Technology & Curricular Innovation: Beyond Technocentrism*, 2001
  - *"Leveraging" Feedback: Turn Comments on Individual Papers into Classroom Learning Tools*, 1999
  - *Caught in the Middle: Surviving as a New but Interim Director*, 1999

#### Editorial Boards

Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research & Writing, since 2001

Journal of the Legal Writing Institute, 2002-06

German Law Journal 2002-09

## Legal Writing Institute & Related Organizations

- Presentations at Legal Writing Institute (LWI) Biennial Conferences:
  - *Thriving in the Changing Realm of Research Instruction: Assessment of First-Year Research Skills and Implications for Course Design*, 2016
  - *Curricula Now: Lessons from the ABA Curriculum Survey*, 2012
  - *Picturing a Memo: Instructional Imagery*, 2008
  - *Syllabus Drafting* (with Susan Kosse Duncan), 2006
  - *Critique Workshop*, 2006 (Group Leader)
  - *Synergy & Synthesis*, 2000
- Planning Committees for the 2006 & 2012 LWI Biennial Conferences
- Presentations at Regional or International Conferences:
  - Legal Writing Institute Workshops:
    - *Using Technology to Help Students Visualize Links Between Research & Writing*, Pitt 2018
    - *Seeing Empowers Doing*, Elon 2017
    - *Citation Literacy* (with Alexa Z. Chew), Texas 2016
    - *Collaborative Classrooms: How Team-Based Quizzes Enhance Outside-Class Preparation and In-Class Learning*, Ohio State 2015
    - *Encouraging Appropriate Collaboration*, Detroit-Mercy 2014
    - *Oral and Electronic Communications in LRW Courses* (Panelist), Michigan 2013
    - *New Opportunities in Research and Writing Instruction* (Panelist), UNC 2012
    - *Epiphanies: Small Assignments to Foster Big Leaps in Learning* (Panelist), Campbell, 2011
    - *How to Grade Papers Without Losing Your Mind*, Wake Forest, 2010
  - Carolinas Colloquia:
    - *Transitioning to Teaching: A Two-Part Conversation about What Newer and More Seasoned Professors Can Learn from One Another* (Panel Anchor), UNC 2017
    - *Teaching Amid Competing Pressures: A Discussion About Helping One Another to Find Courage, Wisdom, and Satisfaction* (Panelist), Duke, 2015
    - *Sharing Strengths: New Opportunities in Interesting Times*, South Carolina 2013
  - *What Role Can Legal Writing Faculty Play in Encouraging Doctrinal Courses to Incorporate Legal Writing?*, “Beyond the First Year” Conference, DePaul University College of Law, 2018
  - *Making It Stick: Using the Science of Successful Learning in Legal Writing Classrooms*, University of Maryland Carey School of Law 2016
  - Various Presentations at Global Legal Skills Conferences in Italy 2016 and 2014, Chicago 2011, and Mexico 2010
  - *Hybrid Teaching Beyond the Traditional Course*, Summer Conference of the Institute for Law Teaching and Learning, Washburn 2013
  - *Teaching Legal Writing Using Images*, UNLV Boyd School of Law, 2007
  - *Moot Court & Student Publications* (Moderator), Conference on Preparing for Practice—Legal Skills Training in Central & Eastern Europe, Prague 2005
  - *Informative Course Descriptions & Syllabi*, Washington University 2003

## University Service & Presentations

- UNC Festival of Legal Learning Presentations or Co-Presentations: *Legal Education in Transition* 2019; *Techniques for Self-Editing and Empowering Colleagues to Self-Edit*, 2017; *Top Ten Tips for Writing Powerfully*, 2016; *Stories Our Clients Live By: Using Traditional Archetypes and Compelling Themes to Serve Clients Effectively*, 2015; *Getting Started, Getting Support, and Getting a Draft*, 2013; *Persuasive Stories: Narrative Tips for Advocates*, 2012; *Top Ten Tips for Writing Powerfully*, 2011
- Vanderbilt Max Kade Center for European & German Studies Advisory Board, 2006-09

## Publications

### Chapters

Report: *Bundesverwaltungsgericht (Federal Administrative Court)*, in 2-3 ANNUAL OF GERMAN & EUROPEAN LAW (Russell A. Miller & Peer Zumbansen eds., 2006)

Report: *Bundesverwaltungsgericht (Federal Administrative Court)*, in 1 ANNUAL OF GERMAN & EUROPEAN LAW (Russell A. Miller & Peer Zumbansen eds., 2004)

### Articles, Book Reviews, & Essays

*Border-Crossing: Genre Discovery and the Portability of Legal Writing Instruction*, 25 PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING LEGAL RESEARCH & WRITING 8 (2016) (co-author: Alexa Z. Chew)

*Making It Stick: Using the Science of Successful Learning in Legal Writing Classrooms*, SECOND DRAFT: BULLETIN OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE (forthcoming Fall 2016)

*Visions*, SECOND DRAFT: BULLETIN OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE, vol. 24, No. 2, at 10-11 (Spring 2010)

*Teaching Transactional Skills in First-Year Writing Courses*, TRANSACTIONS: TENN. J. BUS. L. (SPECIAL REPORT, "TEACHING DRAFTING AND TRANSACTIONAL SKILLS: THE BASICS AND BEYOND") 53 (2009) (co-authors: Wayne Schiess; Pamela Wilkins; Danton Berube; Irene Segal Ayers)

*Readying Ourselves to Provide Effective, Timely Feedback*, SECOND DRAFT: BULLETIN OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE, vol. 22, No. 1, at 13 (Fall 2007)

*Minds and Levers: Reflections on Howard Gardner's Changing Minds*, 14 PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING LEGAL RESEARCH & WRITING 116 (2006)

*The Uncertain Limits of the European Court of Justice's Authority: Economic Freedom Versus Human Dignity*, 10 COLUMBIA JOURNAL OF EUROPEAN LAW 445 (2004) (co-author: Thomas Fetzter, Universität Mannheim, Germany; presented at the 2003 European Studies Association Conference)

*Constitutional Drift: Toward the End of Federal Shop-Closing (Ladenschluss) Regulation*, 5 GERMAN LAW JOURNAL, No. 9 (Sept. 1, 2004)

*Teaching Students How to Learn in Your Course: The Learning-Centered Course Manual*, in 12 PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING LEGAL RESEARCH & WRITING 1 (2003)

*New Transatlantic Tension and the Kagan Phenomenon: A Primer*, 4 GERMAN LAW JOURNAL, No. 9 (Sept. 1, 2003)

*More Disagreement Over Human Dignity: The Federal Constitutional Court's Most Recent Benetton Advertising Decision*, 4 GERMAN LAW JOURNAL, No. 4 (June 1, 2003)

*Technology and Legal Education: Negotiating the Shoals of Technocentrism, Technophobia, and Indifference*, 1 JOURNAL OF THE ASSOCIATION OF LEGAL WRITING DIRECTORS 247 (2002)

*Synergy and Synthesis: Teaming Socratic Method with Computers and Data Projectors to Teach Synthesis*, 7 JOURNAL OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE 113 (2001)

*Teaching Synthesis in High-Tech Classrooms: Using Sophisticated Visual Tools Alongside Socratic Dialogue to Help Guide Students Through the Labyrinth*, 9 PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING LEGAL RESEARCH & WRITING 110 (2001)

*An American's View of the Federal Constitutional Court: Karlsruhe's Justices Speak Softly But Carry a Big Stick*, 2 GERMAN LAW JOURNAL, No. 9 (June 1, 2001)

*Specifics of Justice: Inga Markovits's Firsthand Account of German Unification*, 11 EMORY INTERNATIONAL LAW REVIEW 757 (1997) (reviewing Markovits, IMPERFECT JUSTICE (1995))

*Depositions and the Court*, 32 TORT & INSURANCE LAW JOURNAL 635 (1997) (co-author: Hon. James G. Carr)

*Einseitige präjudizielle Rechtskraftwirkung zugunsten Dritter im US-amerikanischen Zivilprozessrecht*, 73 DEUTSCHE RICHTERZEITUNG [GERMAN JUDGES' JOURNAL] 94 (1995) (presented at Germany's *Bundesgerichtshof* (Supreme Court), May 1994)

Book Note, 88 MICHIGAN LAW REVIEW 1963 (1990) (reviewing Council on Foreign Relations, RIGHT V. MIGHT: INTERNATIONAL LAW AND THE USE OF FORCE (1989))

## Translations, German to English

Contributing Translator, DECISIONS OF THE *BUNDESVERFASSUNGSGERICHT* (FEDERAL CONSTITUTIONAL COURT OF GERMANY), Vol. 2 (Nomos 1998)

MUNICIPALITY & COUNTY CODE OF THURINGIA (Adenauer-Stiftung 1995)

## References

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Honorable James G. Carr, Judge, U.S. District Court, N.D. Ohio, U.S. Courthouse, Toledo, Ohio, Tel. 419/213-5555

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