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**EDUCATION**

Paul M. Hebert Law Center, Louisiana State University; Baton Rouge, LA  
J.D., Graduate Diploma in Comparative Law  
*Magna cum laude*, Order of the Coif, Rank: 9/220  
2014

Saint Louis University; St. Louis, MO  
Communication, B.A.  
Communication Sciences and Disorders, Minor  
Legal Studies, Certificate  
*Summa cum laude*, GPA: 3.99  
2011

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

University of North Carolina School of Law; Chapel Hill, NC  
Clinical Associate Professor of Law  
Courses: Research, Reasoning, Writing, & Advocacy (RRWA) I, RRWA II, Appellate Advocacy Competition Lab, Dispute Resolution Competition Lab, Trial Advocacy Competition Lab, Evidence (Summer)  
Jul. 2020 - Present

Paul M. Hebert Law Center, Louisiana State University; Baton Rouge, LA  
Advocacy Fellow  
Courses: Legal Research and Writing I, Legal Research and Writing II, Judicial Field Placement Seminar (Summer), Professional Development and Coaching for LSU Law Advocacy Programs  
Aug. 2017 – Jun. 2020

Southern University Law Center; Baton Rouge, LA  
Adjunct Faculty  
Courses: Matrimonial Regimes (Summer)  
Summer 2019

McCranie Sistrunk Anzelmo Hardy McDaniel & Welch, LLC; Covington, LA  
Associate Attorney  
July 2015-Aug. 2017

Stanley Reuter Ross Thornton & Alford, LLC; New Orleans, LA  
Associate Attorney  
Aug. 2014-July 2015

Paul M. Hebert Law Center, Louisiana State University; Baton Rouge, LA

Research Assistant to Professor John Randall Trahan

Apr. 2013-Apr. 2014

U.S. District Court, Middle District of Louisiana; Baton Rouge, LA

Judicial Extern to the Honorable Brian A. Jackson

Fall 2013

## HONORS

- 2020 - LSU Law Professor of the Year
- 2020 - LSU Law Advocacy Programs Coach of the Year
- 2014 - Association Henri Capitant Louisiana Chapter Award for Best Comment on a Civil or Comparative Law Topic
- 2013 - Louisiana Law Review, Vol. 74 Issue Editor
- 2013 - President LSU Law Moot Court Board
- 2012 - Winner Robert Lee Tullis Moot Court Competition
- 2011 - Department of Communication James D. Collins Award for Excellence in Student Achievement
- 2011 - Alpha Delta Pi Dorothy Shaw Leadership Award
- 2011 - Order of Omega Unsung Hero Award

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

**Note:** Writing faculty are neither required nor expected to engage in scholarly research and publication. During the academic year, our ability to do this work is limited by the significant amount of time required to teach a class like legal research, reasoning, writing, and advocacy (RRWA).

### Published Works

Rachel Gurvich & Annie Scardulla, *So you're starting law school in a pandemic: How to succeed in a remote or hybrid 1L Year*, ABA STUDENT LAWYER BLOG, July 17, 2020, <https://abaforlawstudents.com/2020/07/17/starting-law-school-pandemic-how-to-succeed-in-a-remote-or-hybrid-1l-year/>

Annie Scardulla & Heidi Thompson, *The Six Cs of Legal Writing*, THE BATON ROUGE LAWYER, THE MAGAZINE OF THE BATON ROUGE BAR ASSOCIATION, Jan./Feb. 2020, at 18, [2020JanuaryIssue.pdf \(brba.org\)](https://www.brba.org/2020JanuaryIssue.pdf).

Lance B. Williams & Annie Scardulla, *Tools for Managing Class Action Litigation*, THE BRIEF BY THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION TRIAL & INSURANCE PRACTICE SECTION, Winter 2017, at 15.

*Judging from the Wrong Side of the Tracks: Louisiana's Theory of Quasi-possession and Franks Investment Company L.L.C. v. Union Pacific Railroad Company*, 74 LA. L. REV. 255 (2013)

**Oral Presentations**

"You Better Think Like a Professional: Getting Students to Think Independently, Act Professionally, and See the Pervasive Role Both Play in Performing Effective Legal Research, Writing, and Analysis"

Co-Presenter with Heidi Thompson, Erica McElreath, and Kimberly Boone

Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference

Indianapolis, IN / July 2024

"Embracing March Madness: Using Brackets to Teach Weight of Authority"

Carolina Colloquium

Wake Forest, NC / May 2023

"Aspiring Law Teachers Workshop: Beating the Odds"

Panel Discussant, SEALS

July 2021 – July 2024

"Aspiring Law Teachers Workshop: Screening Interview Demonstrations and Debriefings"

Panel Discussant, SEALS

July 2020 – July 2024

"2020 Vision: What did 2020 teach lawyers about professionalism?"

Co-Presenter with Craig Smith & Kaci Bishop, UNC Festival of Legal Learning

Chapel Hill, NC / February 4, 2021

"Legal Writing for Technical Air & Waste Management Experts"

Co-Presenter with Laura Fennel, Air & Waste Management Association Louisiana Section Conference

Baton Rouge, LA / October 2019

"How to Deliver an Oral Argument"

Co-Presenter with Jeffrey Brooks, Louisiana State Bar Association "Suit Up for the Future"

New Orleans, LA / June 14, 2018 / June 13, 2019

"Using Six Cs To Teach Writing Helps Students Cross Over to Quality Writing in Practice"

Co-Presenter with Heidi Thompson, LWI One-Day Workshop

Loyola University New Orleans College of Law

New Orleans, LA / November 30, 2018

"Automotive Products Liability"

Guest Lecturer, Products Liability Course with Professor John Church

Paul M. Hebert Law Center, Louisiana State University

Baton Rouge, LA / October 10, 2018

"Abstract: Pulling Back the Curtain on The Divide Between Pedagogy and Practice: A Call to the ABA to Use the Experiential Learning Curriculum to Address Lawyer Well-Being with Law Students"

Presenter, Topics in Legal Pedagogy, Louisiana Scholarly Workshop 2018  
New Orleans, LA / February 23, 2018

"Work Hard & Be Nice to People. How the Appellate Lawyer can Navigate an Appeal in the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit Ethically and while Maintaining Professionalism"

Presenter, Bar Association of the Fifth Federal Circuit 2017 Appellate Advocacy Seminar  
New Orleans, LA / October 3, 2017

## **TEACHING RECORD**

### **Legal Research & Writing**

- UNC RRWA I: Fall 2020 - Present
- UNC RRWA II: Spring 2021 - Present
- LSU LRW I: Fall 2018, 2019
- LSU LRW II: Spring 2019, 2020 (Partially Remote)

All research and writing courses feature active and team-based learning strategies. Students engage with the text outside of class and use class time to work in groups to complete activities developed to test critical skills. Students meet one-on-one with professor more than four times a semester and receive both live and written feedback on practice assignments. Courses also highlight the importance of self-evaluation, which gives students a toolkit to transfer the critical skills learned in class into practice.

### **Competition Labs**

- Appellate Advocacy: Spring 2022 - Present
- Dispute Resolution: Spring 2022 – Present
- Trial Advocacy: Spring 2024 - Present

Developed Labs to compliment the Holderness Moot Court and Broun National Trial Team co-curricular competition program. The Labs provide training, support, and supervision for students whom the organizations selected for appellate advocacy, dispute resolution, and trial advocacy competition teams. The Labs cover: core advocacy skills, recognizing and dealing with explicit and implicit biases, anticipating and preparing for ethical challenges in advocacy, fostering attorney health and wellness, and using legal "soft skills" such as active listening, teamwork, time management, and collaboration.

### **Evidence**

- Co-taught with Catherine Dunham Summer 2022 (Remote), taught alone Summer 2023-Present

Lectured on evidence rules and rationales related to relevance and reliability. Helped design new asynchronous units to compliment summer course structure. Utilized Pear Deck technology to engage students in live assessment during course lectures.

**Judicial Field Placement Seminar**

- LSU Judicial Externs: Summer 2018, 2019

Lectured on reflective lawyering and setting goals, learning from supervision, problem solving, legal soft skills, lawyer wellness and balance, and career planning. Reviewed and provided feedback on five reflective journals.

**Matrimonial Regimes (Community Property)**

- SULC: Summer 2019

Lectured on the patrimonial rights and obligations between married persons in Louisiana. Classroom instruction covered several topics, including community property, separation of property, marriage contracts, and comparisons with other matrimonial regime laws of civil and Anglo-American systems.

**Other Professional Development Teaching**

- LSU: Created "Fit to Practice" Civil Litigation Workshop Series, an eight-part series that focused on the young associate's role in developing a civil case from the petition to trial

Lectured on petitions, written discovery, depositions, dispositive motions, and trial preparation; invited guest speakers on client billing and reporting, third-party discovery (medical records), and mediation. Lectured on the importance of health and wellness in the legal profession, with recommended strategies for maintaining well-being as a young associate. Program featured a partnership with Mind Over Law, which facilitated a weekly mindfulness session.

- LSU: Advocacy Programs

Assisted with the administration of the entire LSU Law external advocacy competition program, which included more than 30 moot court, dispute resolution, or trial advocacy teams. Created "Moot Camp" Appellate Brief-Writing Workshop. Created Dispute Resolution Boot Camp.

**GRANTS****PROFESSIONAL SERVICE****National Service Efforts**

- Member, SEALS Aspiring Law Teachers Program Subcommittee – Fall 2020/Present
- Volunteer, SEALS Mock Job Talks for Prospective Law Teachers – July 2021, 2022, 2023
- Volunteer, SEALS Mock Screening Interviews for Prospective Law Teachers – July 2021, 2022, 2023
- Assistant Editor, *Legal Writing: The Journal of the Legal Writing Institute* - Volume 23
- Member, American Bar Association's National Arbitration Competition Committee – Fall 2021/Present

At the recommendation of former members, I was recruited to serve on the ABA National Arbitration Competition Committee. The committee plans and implements the National Arbitration Competition,

which is open to all ABA-accredited law schools. The committee meets regularly and engages with all stages of the competition from drafting the problem, to monitoring the regional competitions across the country, to administering the national competition in Chicago.

### **UNC Service Efforts**

- Chair, UNC Committee on Inclusion & Community – 2023/2024
- Member, UNC Law Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Committee – 2021/2022, 2022/2023
- Member, UNC Law DEI Accessibility Subcommittee – 2021/2022
- Member, UNC Law Admissions Committee – 2020/2021
- Co-Author, Disabilities & UNC Law Faculty Primer, Spring 2022
- Faculty Advisor, UNC Law Holderness Moot Court – Fall 2021/Present
- Faculty Advisor, UNC Law Broun National Trial Team -Fall 2022/Present
- Designer, UNC Law Competition Lab Co-Curricular Structure – 2021

At the request of the administration, I created a new co-curricular structure for Holderness Moot Court and Broun National Trial Team. The redesign accomplished multiple goals: (1) the size of the organization decreased; (2) the cost of student travel decreased significantly; and (3) the student experience was enhanced through curricular developments such as the Labs mentioned above.

### **Writing Learning Resource Center (WLRC) Service Efforts**

- Member, WLRC Visitor Position Search Subcommittee – Summer 2021
- Author, Spring Federal Law Research Project – 2022, 2023, 2024

The Spring Federal Law Research Project (FRLP) is a final performance test taken by every 1L student at UNC Law. The FRLP is designed to test students' mastery of the detailed course goals that guide RRWA II research instruction. The assessment is vetted by RRWA faculty and research assistants.

### **Community Service Efforts**

- Speaker, UNC's Pre-law Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta "Law Professor" Panel – Apr. 2022
- Speaker, North Carolina Bar Association's "Is Law School for Me?" Panel – Jan. 2022
- Board of Directors, NOLA Artists Against Hunger and Homelessness - Jan. 2017/Jan. 2020
- Board of Directors, Create. Inspire. Change. Theater Company - Jan. 2014/Jan. 2020
- Standards Advisor, Tulane University, Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Delta Pi - Jan. 2016/June 2019
- Observer, Council of the Louisiana State Law Institute - Jan. 2016/Jan. 2017

### **Other Service Activities**

- Volunteered to assist with multiple development meetings regarding school fundraising
- Volunteered to assist with multiple UNC Law admissions events
- Volunteered to assist with multiple Holderness Moot Court student presentations
- Attend as many wellness and student development events as possible

### **ADMISSIONS**

- Louisiana Bar

- American Bar Association
- ALWD, LWI