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EXPERIENCE

Saint Louis University School of Law, Saint Louis, Missouri

Clinical Professor (2019 to Present)

Associate Clinical Professor (2015 to 2019)

Assistant Clinical Professor (2009 to 2015)

Director, Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic

August 2009 to Present

Supervise law students licensed under student practice rule in all aspects of representing clients with respect to small business formation and operational issues, nonprofit incorporation and operational issues, and real estate matters; teach accompanying classroom seminar.

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

July 2022 to June 2025

Associate Dean for Experiential Education

October 2017 to June 2022

Additional Courses Taught: Transactional Drafting, Housing as a Human Right?, Real Estate Transactions

Lewis, Rice & Fingersh, Saint Louis, Missouri

Associate

September 2006 to August 2009

Drafted, negotiated, and reviewed agreements and related documents, advised clients, reviewed title and survey, and conducted closings for commercial real estate transactions; drafted and reviewed agreements, drafted business entity formation documents, and assisted with closings for general corporate transactions; completed research and writing assignments, supervised associate work, and performed document review assignments as requested.

Summer Associate

Summer 2003

Completed research and writing assignments as requested.

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri, Saint Louis, Missouri

Law Clerk to the Honorable E. Richard Webber

August 2004 to August 2006

Researched variety of issues in preparation for evaluating and responding to motions before the court; drafted and revised orders; orally presented and discussed research findings and issues presented by litigants; managed daily motion filings; supervised and mentored student interns.

McCormack Baron Salazar, Saint Louis, Missouri

Intern to Stan Mulvihill, Vice President

Summer 2002

Completed components of a large redevelopment proposal, including land acquisition, funding feasibility, and legal research.

Marion County Prosecutor's Office, Indianapolis, Indiana

AmeriCorps Volunteer Protective Order Clerk

August 2000 to July 2001

Interviewed individuals in need of protective orders and assisted such individuals in completing appropriate forms; conducted safety planning and provided referrals where appropriate.

EDUCATION

St. Louis University School of Law, Saint Louis, Missouri

J.D., *magna cum laude*, May 2004

Honors: 1843 Scholar (full-tuition scholarship), various Excellence Awards, Order of the Woolsack

Activities: Saint Louis University Law Journal (Managing Editor), Public Interest Law Group, Faculty Fellow to Professor Peter Salsich (2002-03)

Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana

B.A., *summa cum laude*, History, May 2000

State of Indiana Teacher's License for History, Political Science, and Economics, May 2000

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa, Senior Achievement Award, Senior Honors Division

PUBLICATIONS

- Author, *The Release: An Ideal Vehicle for a Short Runway*, St. Louis U. L.J. (forthcoming, 2026)
- Author, *Stronger Neighborhoods Start with City Recognition and Support*, St. Louis Post-Dispatch, July 3, 2025
- Author, *Acknowledging the Racist Roots of Disinvestment and Abandonment: How Local Government Can Set the Stage for Change*, 32 Univ. of Fl. J. of Law & Pub. Pol'y Forum 1 (2022)
- Author, *Disinvestment and Crime Have Common Cure – Community*, St. Louis Post-Dispatch, January 28, 2021 (reprinted in "From the Field," Community Builders Network of Metropolitan St. Louis Newsletter, March 2, 2021)
- Collaborator, STL Neighborhood Organization Map, available at <http://investstl.org/stl-neighborhood-map/> and <https://www.stlvacancy.com/communitymap.html>
- Consultant and Drafter, *St. Louis Vacancy Collaborative Work Plan*, October 2019, available at https://www.stlvacancy.com/uploads/1/2/7/4/127463804/work_plan.pdf
- Co-Author, *Investment is Needed to Support Vacancy Ecosystem Change*, St. Louis Post-Dispatch, August 5, 2019
- Co-Author, *A Guide to Understanding and Addressing Vacant Property in the City of St. Louis*, April 2018, available at <http://www.risestl.org/what-we-do/public-documents/vacancy-guide/>
- Author, *Taste This!: Experiencing Transactional Lawyering in First-Year Contracts*, The Law Teacher, Fall 2016, at 7-11
- Author, *Value Added: Utilizing the MSW Perspective*, Clinical Legal Education Association Newsletter, Winter 2016-17 (Volume 24, Issue 2), at 8-10
- Author, *Called to Serve: Five Habits of Effective Board Members*, The Young Lawyer Newsletter (Missouri Bar), June 2015
- Author, *Collaboration: Promises and Pitfalls*, St. Louis Community Builders Exchange Newsletter, August 20, 2014
- Author, *Collaboration in the Nonprofit Sector*, American Bar Association Business Law Section Community Economic Development Committee Newsletter, July 2014

- Author, *Helping Your Client Create and Grow a Successful Nonprofit Organization: A Checklist for the "Non" Nonprofit Attorney*, American Bar Association Nonprofit Organizations Committee Newsletter, Third Quarter 2013
- Co-Author, *The Lawyer's Toolbox: Teaching Students About Risk Allocation*, 14 Transactions: The Tennessee J. of Business Law 319 (2013)
- Author, *Reflection, Reality, and a Real Audience: Ideas from the Clinic*, The Law Teacher, Spring 2013, at 15-16
- Author, *Helping Your Client Create and Grow a Successful Nonprofit Organization*, 67 Journal of The Missouri Bar 276 (2011)
- Author, *Representing Tax-Exempt Organizations in Lease Negotiations*, Commercial Leasing Law & Strategy (January 2010)
- Co-Author, *Documents to Prevent "Perfectly Legitimate" Review and Dissemination of Privileged Confidential Information*, St. Louis Lawyer (March 2009), reprinted in Precedent (Winter 2012)
- Co-Author, Chapter 2, *Credentialing & Peer Review*, 2007 Missouri Hospital Law Handbook (2007)
- Co-Author, *Detailing Daubert*, The St. Louis Bar Journal (Spring 2006)
- Author, *Brown v. Board of Education: 50 Years Later*, St. Louis Brief (Fall 2003)
- Author, *HOPE VI and Title VIII: How a Justifying Government Purpose can Overcome the Disparate Impact Problem*, 47 St. Louis U. L.J. 1277 (2003)

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Co-presenter, "Community Solutions to Vacant and Deteriorating Properties," Missouri Bar 2026 Real Estate Institute, April 9, 2026
- Panelist, "Public Interest Law Outside the Courtroom," Public Interest Law Group, Saint Louis University School of Law, February 24, 2026
- Adjunct Faculty, Strategic Code Enforcement Management Academy, Memphis, Tennessee, June 11-13, 2025
- Panelist, "Designing Community Collaborations to Confront and Address the Impacts of Past Racial Injustices," Strategic Code Enforcement Management Academy, Memphis, Tennessee, June 13, 2024
- Adjunct Faculty, Strategic Code Enforcement Management Academy, Memphis, Tennessee, June 12-14, 2024
- Panelist, "Race and Transactional Law Clinics: Conversations and Shared Learning between Transactional Law Clinicians and St. Louis Community Organizations," AALS Clinical Conference, Saint Louis, Missouri, May 3, 2024
- Guest Lecturer, "Housing in STL: Law and Policy Landscape," Financial Education Seminar, Saint Louis University, Saint Louis, Missouri, September 28, 2023 and February 13, 2023
- Guest Lecturer, "Housing as a Human Right," International Human Rights Law, Saint Louis University School of Law, Saint Louis, Missouri, September 27, 2023
- Panelist, "STL Community Development," Community Builders Network, Saint Louis, Missouri, May 24, 2023
- Co-presenter, "Legislative Changes to the Municipal Land Reutilization Law," Saint Louis, Missouri, September 29, 2022
- Co-presenter, "Building Stronger Neighborhoods," SLACO Neighborhood Regional Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, September 10, 2022
- Adjunct Faculty, Strategic Code Enforcement Management Academy, Memphis, Tennessee, June 22-24, 2022
- Adjunct Faculty, Strategic Code Enforcement Management Academy, June 24-25, 2021

(virtual)

- Presenter, Works in Progress, Restorative Justice & Racial Justice Transportation Gap Panel, AALS Clinical Conference, April 30, 2021
- Presenter, “Vacancy in St. Louis: Flipping the Script,” New England Clinical Conference, March 26, 2021
- Guest Speaker, “Vacancy in St. Louis: Legal and Policy Landscape,” Vacant/Wild/Ruined (graduate seminar), Washington University in St. Louis, March 6, 2020
- Presenter, “Neighborhood Associations: A Brief Navigation Guide,” Neighborhood Leadership Academy, St. Louis, Missouri, October 28, 2019
- Moderator and Organizer, “Utilizing Nonprofit Partnerships to Strengthen Neighborhoods,” Reclaiming Vacant Properties Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, October 3, 2019
- Presenter, “A Guide to Understanding and Addressing Vacant Property in the City of St. Louis,” Urban Issues Symposium Class, St. Louis, Missouri, September 26, 2019
- Panelist, “Building Community Collaborations: The Power (and Challenges) of Collective Action,” Transactional Clinical Conference, San Francisco, California, May 3, 2019
- Poster Presentation, “The Vacancy Collaborative: Making a Difference in North St. Louis,” Making a Difference in North St. Louis Symposium, St. Louis, Missouri, April 8, 2019
- Panelist, “Building the Coalition,” Strategic Code Enforcement Management Academy, Memphis, Tennessee, March 29, 2019
- Panelist, “What’s Working in St. Louis Community/University Partnerships,” Saint Louis Association of Community Organizations Town/Gown Summit, St. Louis, Missouri, November 14, 2018
- Presenter and Workshop Co-Planner, “Vacancy Collaborative Overview,” Vacancy Collaborative Launch, Saint Louis University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri, July 11, 2018
- Presenter, “Real Estate Transactions,” DiscoverLaw PLUS Workshop, Saint Louis University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri, June 19, 2018
- Moderator, “Incorporating Interdisciplinary Scholarship in Transactional Clinics,” Transactional Clinical Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April 28, 2018
- Co-Presenter and Workshop Co-Planner, “A Guide to Understanding and Addressing Vacant Property in the City of St. Louis,” Neighborhood Vacancy: Tools and Resources Workshop, St. Louis, Missouri, April 17, 2018
- Vacancy Press Conference Moderator and Speaker (various nonprofit and local government partners working together on issue of vacancy, including St. Louis Mayor Lyda Krewson), Saint Louis University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri, April 17, 2018
- Presenter, “A Guide to Understanding and Addressing Vacant Property in the City of St. Louis,” SLACO Neighborhood Regional Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, April 14, 2018
- Presenter, “Real Estate Transactions,” DiscoverLaw PLUS Workshop, Saint Louis University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri, June 21, 2017
- Presenter, “Employment Law Basics for Nonprofits: Strategies for Success,” St. Louis City Community Development Administration’s Nonprofit Workshop Training Series, St. Louis, Missouri, May 25, 2017
- Conference Co-facilitator and Discussion Leader, St. Louis Vacancy Summit, T-REX, St. Louis, Missouri, February 24, 2017
- Co-teacher, “Let Justice Roll Down,” Grace and Peace Fellowship, St. Louis, Missouri, January through March 2017 (12-session series)
- Presenter, “Ins and Outs of 501(c)(3)s: A Brief Navigation Guide,” SLACO Regional Neighborhood Conference, Harris-Stowe State University, St. Louis, Missouri, October 29, 2016
- Moderator and Conference Coordinator, “Vacant Property Summit: Legal Tools to Spur

Renewal of Privately Owned Vacant Property,” Saint Louis University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri, October 20, 2016

- Presenter, “Five Tips for Effectively Using Contracts,” Small Business Workshop, Youth and Family Center, St. Louis, Missouri, August 25, 2016
- Presenter, “501(c)(3): To Be or Not to Be?,” SLACO Community Workshop, St. Louis, Missouri, July 21, 2016
- Presenter, “Real Estate Transactions,” DiscoverLaw PLUS Workshop, Saint Louis University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri, June 20, 2016
- Interview Guest, “Starting a Small Business,” SLU LAW *Summations* Podcast (Episode 11), St. Louis, Missouri, May 25, 2016
- Poster Presentation, “Value-Added: Utilizing the MSW Perspective,” AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Baltimore, Maryland, April 30, 2016
- Presenter, “Business Entity Basics: Five Strategies for Success,” Small Business Workshop, Harris-Stowe State University, St. Louis, Missouri, April 5, 2016
- Panelist and Moderator, “Starting, Managing, and Maintaining a Neighborhood Association,” SLACO Regional Neighborhood Conference, Harris-Stowe State University, St. Louis, Missouri, November 14, 2015
- Panelist, “SLU’s Service to the Community Through Research, Teaching, Clinical Practice, and Outreach,” Saint Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri, August 3, 2015
- Presenter, “Developing Effective Collaborators,” Transactional Clinical Conference, Kansas City, Missouri, April 24, 2015
- Presenter, “Nonprofit Governance: Five Habits of Effective Board Members,” Young Nonprofit Professional Network, St. Louis, Missouri, February 24, 2015
- Workshop Co-presenter, “Business Legal Services for Entrepreneurs,” St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, Missouri, December 8, 2014
- Workshop Presenter, “Youth Hiring and Strategic Partnerships,” Rise Community Development Workshop on Social Enterprise: Advancing Sustainable Community Development, St. Louis, Missouri, August 22, 2014
- Workshop Presenter, “A Case Study in the Collapse of a Nonprofit: What Can We Learn?,” LeadingAge Missouri’s Conference on Nonprofit Status: What You Need to Know, St. Louis, Missouri, April 24, 2014
- Co-presenter, “Contracts 101,” St. Louis City Community Development Administration’s 2014 Speaker Series for Nonprofits, St. Louis, Missouri, March 31, 2014
- Poster Presentation, “Law Students and Their Clients: Making a Difference in North St. Louis,” North St. Louis Symposium, St. Louis, Missouri, October 24, 2013
- Co-presenter, “What Went Wrong, and What Can We Learn?: A Case Study of the Collapse of a Nonprofit,” Beyond Survival: Preparation and Prevention, 2013 Nonprofit Missouri Conference, Columbia, Missouri, June 13, 2013
- Workshop Presenter, “Collaboration in the Nonprofit Sector: Legal Issues and the Utilization of Collaboration Agreements,” Nonprofit Series Workshop at Harris-Stowe State University with Regional Housing Community Development Association, St. Louis, Missouri, May 1, 2013
- Guest Lecturer, “Buying a Home in Missouri,” St. Louis University School of Law Property Class, St. Louis, Missouri, February 18, 2013
- Organizer and Panelist, “The Lawyer’s Toolbox: Teaching Students About Risk Allocation Tools,” Preparing the Transactional Lawyer: From Doctrine to Practice, Third Biennial Conference on Teaching Law and Skills, Emory University School of Law, Atlanta, Georgia, November 2, 2012

- Co-presenter, “The Public, Regulation, and Land Use,” The Future of U.S. Rail (St. Louis University interdisciplinary graduate course), St. Louis, Missouri, October 9, 2012 (later broadcast by HEC-TV, November 16, 2015)
- Panelist, “Changing Our Approaches to Teaching to Enhance Feedback and Assessment,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools 2012 Annual Conference, Florida, July 29, 2012
- Panelist, “Clinic Update,” Half-Baked Workshop Series, St. Louis University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri, June 27, 2012
- Panelist, “Revisiting Clinic Design,” Transactional Clinical Conference, Los Angeles, California, April 29, 2012
- Panelist, “Balancing Motherhood,” St. Louis University Introduction to Women’s Studies Class, St. Louis, Missouri, March 23, 2012
- Moderator, “Courts and the Legislative Process,” St. Louis University School of Law Battered Women Who Kill Symposium, St. Louis, Missouri, February 17, 2012
- Guest Speaker, “Contract Basics for Businesses,” St. Louis Community College, St. Louis, Missouri, November 29, 2011
- Co-Presenter, “Governance Issues for Nonprofits,” Nonprofit Series Workshop at Harris-Stowe State University with Regional Housing Community Development Association, St. Louis, Missouri, October 26, 2011
- Poster Presentation, “Why Did I Think That? Critically Examining Assumptions,” AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Seattle, Washington, June 15, 2011
- Co-Presenter, “Engaging Students for Transactional Practice,” Summer Conference of the Institute for Law Teaching and Learning, New York Law School, New York, New York, June 2, 2011
- Guest Lecturer, “Buying a Home in Missouri,” St. Louis University School of Law Property Class, St. Louis, Missouri, April 20, 2011
- Moderator and Presentation Coordinator, “Growing a Successful (and Legally Compliant) Nonprofit Organization,” Clinic Student Presentation at Harris-Stowe State University with Regional Housing Community Development Association, St. Louis, Missouri, October 28, 2010
- Guest Speaker, “Role of Attorneys in Community & Economic Development,” St. Louis University School of Law Urban Issues Symposium Class, St. Louis, Missouri, August 26, 2010
- Moderator and Presentation Coordinator, “Things You Should Know Before Starting Your Own Business,” Clinic Student Presentation to Students at Northwest High School, St. Louis, Missouri, April 12, 2010
- Guest Lecturer, “Contracts for Businesses,” St. Louis University Business School MBA Class, St. Louis, Missouri, March 25, 2010

ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

- Board Member and Secretary, STL Vacancy Collaborative (2024 to Present)
- Member, Diversity Committee, South City Community School (2024 to 2025)
- Moderator and Coordinator, STL Vacancy Collaborative Reading Group (a part of the STL Vacancy Collaborative in St. Louis, Missouri) (2019 to Present)
- Chair, Registered Neighborhood Organizations Project Group (a part of the STL Vacancy Collaborative in St. Louis, Missouri) (2022 to 2025)
- Co-chair, Transactional Clinical Conference Planning Committee (2023-24)
- Board Member and Diversity Committee Chair, South City Community School (2020 to 2024)
- Member, Clear Titles Working Subgroup (a part of the STL Vacancy Collaborative in St. Louis, Missouri) (2018 to 2023)
- Member, Vacancy Advisory Committee and Finance/Sustainability Subgroup (a part of the

- STL Vacancy Collaborative in St. Louis, Missouri) (2018 to 2023)
- Member, Transactional Clinical Conference Planning Committee (2022-23)
- Chair, Neighborhood Engagement Working Group (a part of the STL Vacancy Collaborative in St. Louis, Missouri) (2018 to 2022)
- Member, Code Enforcement Subgroup (a part of the STL Vacancy Collaborative in St. Louis, Missouri) (2020 to 2021)
- Member, AALS Clinical Conference Planning Committee (2020-21)
- Member, Gateway Greening Advisory Council (2012 to 2020)
- Reviewer, United Way Allocations Panel (2016, 2020, 2021)
- Mentor, The Carver Project (2017 to 2019)
- Participant, Read Across America, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis (annually, 2014 to 2018)
- Facilitator, Vacancy Task Force Steering Committee (2017)
- Chair, Legal Tools Subcommittee, Saint Louis Association of Neighborhood Organizations Vacancy Committee (2016-17)
- Reviewer, Saint Louis City Community Development Agency Community Development Block Grant Proposals Panel (2015, 2016, 2017)
- Board Member (2002-2015; 2017), Board President (2013-15; 2017), Board Vice-President (2005-11), Governance Committee Chair (2011-16), and Governance Committee Member (2011-17), Cornerstone Corporation (nonprofit affordable housing provider)
- E Workshop Project Manager (2016-17) (grant-funded workshop series for underserved entrepreneurs)
- Volunteer Attorney, Habitat for Humanity St. Louis Law Committee (2009-2015)
- Volunteer Attorney, Habitat for Humanity St. Louis Project Development Committee (2009-2015)
- Member, Incarnate Word Foundation Advocacy Committee (2011-2015)
- Working Group Discussion Co-leader, AALS Annual Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Chicago, Illinois (2014)

RECOGNITION, MEMBERSHIPS, CERTIFICATES, AND LICENSURE

- Transparency & Trust Award, Community Builders Network of Metropolitan St. Louis (2023)
- Show Me Service Award for Community Excellence to St. Louis Vacancy Collaborative, Missouri Community Service Commission (2022)
- Planning Champions Award to St. Louis Vacancy Collaborative, American Planning Association Missouri Chapter (St. Louis Metro Section) (2019)
- For the Common Good Award, Legal Services of Eastern Missouri (2019)
- Coleman Faculty Fellow (2015 to 2025)
- Rise Community Development Collaborative Grant Recipient (with Tower Grove Neighborhoods Community Development Corporation), Community Builders Network 5th Annual Awards Reception, St. Louis, Missouri (2017)
- Social Entrepreneurship Certificate (United States Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship, 2016)
- Super Lawyers Pro Bono Award to St. Louis University School of Law Legal Clinics (2014)
- American Bar Association (Bus. Law Section; Forum on Afford. Hous. and Com. Dev. Law)
- Missouri Bar Association
- American Association of Law Schools
- Foundations Certificate in University Teaching Skills (Saint Louis University, 2014)
- Admitted to the Missouri Bar (2004)