

LESLIE HOGAN KNIGHT

EDUCATION

1991 (J.D.)

DUKE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Dunspaugh-Dalton Merit Scholarship

Most Effective Trial Advocate Award

1978 (B.S.)

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

Finance (*cum laude*)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND SERVICE

August 2015 – Present

August 2009 – May 2015

August 2007 – May 2009

Gainesville, Florida

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA LEVIN COLLEGE OF LAW

MASTER LECTURER AND DIRECTOR, LEGAL DRAFTING

SENIOR LECTURER, LEGAL DRAFTING

LECTURER, LEGAL DRAFTING

Teach required course for upper-level law students involving drafting of litigation documents, contracts, and legislation. Served as faculty advisor for Honor Code Committee and for Law Association of Women. Supervise various student externships including Alachua County Attorney, University of Florida Office of Vice President and General Counsel, Shands Office of General Counsel, and various federal and state court judges. Served on faculty committees including Strategic Planning, Community Relations and Diversity (co-chair), Non-Tenure Track Promotion and Hiring, Curriculum.

Summer 2008

LECTURER, DRAFTING FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

Developed and taught upper-level course on intellectual property license drafting, involving trademarks, copyrights, patents, and other forms of intellectual property.

November 2008- August 2015

DIRECTOR OF EXTERNSHIP PROGRAMS

Administer law school's externship program that places approximately 300 students each year in externships with government entities, non-profit organizations, and in-house corporate legal offices. Supervise externship coordinator and application and selection process. Ensure compliance with applicable American Bar Association standard and college's faculty externship policy. Liason with students and externship sites.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

September 1998 – August 2007

Gainesville, Florida

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

ASSOCIATE GENERAL COUNSEL

Reviewed, negotiated, and approved contracts entered into by the University, the University of Florida Research Foundation, Inc., and the University Athletic Association including purchasing, technology transfer and software licenses, corporate sponsorship, distance learning, international student and faculty exchange, research, and construction agreements. Advised Vice President of Finance & Administration and Director of Technology Transfer on legal and business issues. Reviewed and approved requests for proposals. Handled bid protests and contract disputes.

September 1991-August 1998
Jacksonville, Florida

MAHONEY ADAMS & CRISER, P.A

Practiced in all areas of complex commercial litigation. Areas of practice included commercial contracts, class action defense, consumer finance, bond defaults, securities law, products liability, insurance law, real property, and intellectual property. Handled mediations, negotiated settlements, and drafted settlement agreements. Researched and authored numerous briefs. Appeared before Florida trial and appellate courts and U.S. District Court, Middle and Northern Districts of Florida.

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

1987-1988
Jacksonville, Florida

BARNETT BANKS, INC.

Assistant Vice President – Corporate Marketing

1978-1986
Jacksonville, Florida

FLORIDA NATIONAL BANKS OF FLORIDA, INC.

Assistant Vice President - Mergers & Acquisitions (1982-1986)
Corporate Tax Accountant (1978-1981)