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**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

**University of Florida Levin College of Law, Gainesville, FL** 2023-present

*Legal Skills Professor*

Courses: Legal Writing I and II

**Washington & Lee University School of Law, Lexington, VA** 2021-2023

*Professor of Practice*

Courses: Legal Writing I and II; Professional Responsibility

**Barry University School of Law, Orlando, FL** 2006-2014

*Associate Professor of Law*

Courses: Legal Research and Writing I and II; Professional Responsibility;

Judicial Externship; Advanced Appellate Advocacy

**EDUCATION**

**Emory University School of Law, Atlanta, GA**

LL.M., 2015   
 Research Assistant to Professor Richard Freer

**Rutgers University School of Law, Camden, NJ**

Juris Doctor, 1993

International Law Honors Certificate

**Stetson University, DeLand, FL**   
 Bachelor of Arts, Social Science, 1990

Minor, Russian Studies

**JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP**

**U. S. District Court** **for the Middle District of Florida, Orlando, FL** Sept. 2018- July 2021

*Judicial Clerk to Magistrate Judge Gregory J. Kelly*

Researched pending motions and drafted orders for motions related to discovery, dismissal, jurisdiction, conditional class certification, summary judgment, attorney’s fees; reviewed and prepared orders on social security appeals and immigration appeals; occasionally researched and prepared orders on criminal matters.

**LAW REVIEW PUBLICATIONS**

*Situating the Corporation within the Vulnerability Paradigm: What Impact Does Corporate Personhood Have on Vulnerability, Dependency, and Resilience*, 25 Am. U. J. Gen. Soc. Pol’y & L. 51 (2017).

*The Shibboleth of Discretion: The Discretion, Identity and Persecution Paradigm in American and Australian LGBT Asylum Claims*, 31 Berkeley J. Gen., Law & Justice 206 (2016).

*The Intended Parent: The Power and Problems Inherent in Designating and Determining Intent in the Context of Parental Rights*, 119 Penn. St. L. Rev. 1 (2015).

*The Ties that Bind: Reevaluating the Role of Legal Presumptions of Paternity*, 48 Loyola Los Angeles L. Rev. 221 (2014).

*Just Because You Can Doesn’t Mean You Should: Viewing an Attorney’s Liability for Defamation During Litigation through the Lens of Professionalism*, 37 Nova L. Rev. 113 (2012).

*Taking Away an Employer’s Free Pass: Making the Case for a More Sophisticated Sex Plus Analysis in Employment Discrimination Cases*, 36 Vt. L. Rev. 329 (2011).

*A Fine Line, Redefined: Moving Toward More Equitable Asylum Policies*, 40 U. Balt. L. Rev.

101 (2011).

*Respecting Working Mothers with Infant Children: The Need for Increased Federal Intervention to Develop, Protect, and Support a Breastfeeding Culture in the United States*, 17 Duke J. Gen. L. & Pol’y 333 (2010) (symposium edition).

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS**

*Storytelling, The Sound of Music, and Special Teams: Revisiting Some Basic Legal Writing Techniques with Fresh Eyes*, The Florida Bar Journal, Vol. 96, No. 4 (July/August 2022).

*Navigating the Differences in Circuit Court Appellate Jurisdiction for Nonfinal Orders*, The Florida Bar Journal, Vol. 93, No. 1 (January/February 2019).

*Recent Changes in the Appellate Rules and Administrative Orders*, The Briefs, Orange County Bar Association (June 2018).

*Imputed Income and Incarceration: Establishing Child Support When a Parent Is Incarcerated*, Commentator, The Florida Bar Family Law Section, Vol. XXXI, No. 3 (Spring 2018).

*The Effect of a Bankruptcy Stay on a Subsequently Filed Appeal*, The Record, Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section (Winter 2016).

**SELECT PRESENTATIONS**

Southeastern Association of Law Schools, July 2023  
Moderator/Participant, Work-in-Progress, *Holding Out for a Hero: Fundamental Rights, Fair Fights, and the Reality of Assigning Parental Rights under Third Parent Statutes*

Mid-Atlantic Family Law Scholars Roundtable, December 2022  
Incubator Session, *Fundamental Rights and Fair Fights: The Reality of Assigning Parental Rights Beyond the Binary*

Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, June 2022  
Incubator Session, *Fundamental Rights and Fair Fights: The Reality of Assigning Parental Rights Beyond the Binary*

Appealing Wisely and Avoiding Un-Appealing Mistakes, January 2018  
Panelist, *Appellate Advocacy 101: Appellate Briefs and Motions Structure and Strategy*

Appellate Practice A to Z: Appellate Advocacy for Legal Services Lawyers, May 2017  
Panelist, *Appellate Advocacy 101: Circuit & DCA Appeals*

Vulnerability and the Human Condition Initiative: A Workshop on Vulnerability at the Intersection of the Changing Firm and the Changing Family  
Emory University School of Law, October 2015  
Presenter, *Vulnerability and the Shifting Sands of Corporate Personhood*

Law and Society Association, Annual Conference, May 2015  
Presenter, *The Shibboleth of Discretion: The Discretion, Identity and Persecution Paradigm in American and Australian LGBT Asylum Claims*  
  
Emerging Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, May 2014  
Work in Progress, *The Ties That Bind: Reevaluating Legal Presumptions of Paternity*  
Incubator Session, *The Intentional Parent: The Power and Problems Inherent in Designating and Determining Intent in the Context of Parental Rights*

**OTHER LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

**Chad Barr Law, Altamonte Springs, FL** Dec. 2016-Sept. 2018

*Appellate Attorney*

Managed heavy state appellate caseload; prepared appellate briefs in a variety of civil and family law cases; argued cases before the District Courts of Appeal in Florida, attended pretrial hearings for general civil practice.

**HMKLaw, P.A., Orlando, FL** July 2015-Dec. 2016

*Attorney/Owner*

Prepared appellate briefs in a variety of civil, family, and criminal law cases; provided litigation support to local counsel by conducting research, drafting complaints and complex motions, and preparing responses to same.

**Fox & Loquasto, P.A., Orlando, FL** May 2015-Dec. 2016

*Of Counsel*

Prepared appellate briefs in a variety of civil and family law cases; provided litigation support to local counsel conducting research and assisting in drafting complaints and complex motions; argued cases before the District Courts of Appeal.

**Ninth Judicial Circuit Court of Florida, Orlando, FL** 1997-2014

*Staff Attorney (full time 1997-2001; contract 2001-2006, 2014)*

Conducted research for circuit judges and prepared orders on a variety of civil,

appellate, criminal and probate matters, including death penalty postconviction   
 cases.

**Law Offices of Steven M. Fahlgren, P.A., Orlando, FL** 2002-2005

*Associate Attorney*

Federal and state litigation in employment and consumer protection.

**Mateer & Harbert, P.A., Orlando, FL**  1995-1996

*Associate Attorney*

Collections and general civil litigation.

**State of Connecticut, Department of Legal Research** 1993-1994

*Judicial Clerk*

Term clerk for civil division judges, also handled administrative appeals.

**PROFESSIONAL AWARDS**

Florida Trend, Legal Elite 2018 (Appellate Practice)

Florida Trend, Legal Elite 2017 (Appellate Practice)

Florida Association for Women Lawyers, 2016 Leader in the Law Award

**SERVICE**

Professional

Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section  
 Executive Council, Fifth District Representative (2017-2020; 2021-2024)  
 Editor for submissions to The Florida Bar Journal (2020-2022)  
 Assistant Editor for submissions to The Florida Bar Journal (2018-2020)  
 Pro Bono Attorney, Defending Best Interests Project (2017-2018)

Central Florida Association for Women Lawyers   
 Executive Board  
 Director at Large (2021-2022)  
 Chair, Membership (2018-2019)  
 Co-Chair, Membership (2017-2018)  
 Gratitude Chair (2022-2023)  
 Chair, Table for Eight (2015-2017)  
 Nominating Committee (2015, 2023)  
   
 Orange County Bar Association   
 Board Member, OCBA Legal Aid Society Board of Trustees (2018-2019)  
 Volunteer, Valor Project (legal assistance program for veterans) (2016-2018)  
 Guardian Ad Litem (serving children in dependency proceedings)  
 Orange County Teen Court (1997-2004)  
  
 Justice Teaching, Florida Bar Association (2016)  
 Volunteer Judge, Florida Bar Orseck Moot Court Competition (2016)  
 Assistant Editor, Legal Writing: The Journal of Legal Writing (2014)  
 Brief Grader, BLSA National Moot Court Competition (2013, 2014)

Institutional Service/Student Advising  
   
 Student Note Advisor   
 Davis Moot Court Competition, Brief Grader for Final Eight  
 Mediation Competition, Judge Semi-Finals  
 1L Orientation – Introduction to Legal Systems; Case Briefing   
 Moot Court Coach, William B. Spong Moot Court Competition (2008-2013)   
 Faculty Advisor, Students for Equality (f/k/a OutLaw) (2008-2013)

Faculty Committee Service  
   
 Law School Representative, University Faculty Executive Committee (2022-24)  
 Law School Assessment Committee (2022-23)  
 Law Marshal Committee, Law Commencement (2021-22)

Community  
   
 Volunteer, Central Florida Navy League (2018-2021)  
 Volunteer, Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida (2014-2018)  
 Volunteer, Boy Scouts of America (2008-2021)  
 Troop Leader, Girl Scouts of America, Citrus Council (2006-10)

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Bar Association  
Florida Bar   
Central Florida Association for Women Lawyers  
Orange County Bar Association  
Central Florida American Inns of Court (past member)  
Federal Bar Association (past member)

**BAR ADMISSIONS**

Florida Bar (1995)  
Connecticut Bar (1994, retired)  
United States Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals (1995)  
United States Middle District Court of Florida (1995-2010; 2016-present)