Betsy L. Ruff

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Work Experience

2016 – Present Master Legal Skills Professor, University of Florida Levin College of Law Courses Taught:

- Introduction to Lawyering
- Legal Writing
- Appellate Advocacy
- Multistate Bar Exam Topics (co-taught)

2005 – 2015 Senior Legal Skills Professor, University of Florida Levin College of Law Courses Taught:

- Legal Writing, Appellate Advocacy, 2012 2015; Legal Research & Writing, Appellate Advocacy, 2005 – 2011
- Faculty Supervisor for Judicial Externships, 2005 2014
- Legal Writing, Center for American Law Studies, University of Warsaw, Poland, December 2015, February 2012, January 2008

1992 – 2004 Legal Skills Professor, University of Florida Levin College of Law Courses Taught:

- Legal Research & Writing, Appellate Advocacy
- Faculty Supervisor for Judicial Externships, 2000 2004
- Legal Writing, Center for American Law Studies, University of Warsaw, Poland, January 2004

1986 – 1990 Lecturer, University of Florida College of Law Course Taught: Legal Drafting

1980 – 1986 Attorney, Holland & Knight
Areas of Practice: Environmental Litigation, Real Property Litigation, and
Real Property Transactions

Education

Juris Doctor, cum laude, University of Florida
 Bachelor of Arts, cum laude, University of Florida

Publications & Lectures

Panelist, You Contain Multitudes: Finding and Polishing Your Unique Qualities, 17th LWI Biennial Conference, Portland, OR, July 2016

Panelist, Plotting Your Professional Voyage, UF Law NaviGators Program, Miami, July 2014

Faculty member, Senior Legislative Drafting Seminar, co-sponsored by the National Conference on State Legislation and University of Florida College of Law, 1991

Title Insurance, REAL PROPERTY TITLE EXAMINATION AND TITLE INSURANC IN FLORIDA (The Florida Bar, Tallahassee, Florida, 1988) (co-authored with Charles C. Whitaker II)

Quieting Title, Materials and lecture for the Basic Real Property Litigation Seminar for The Florida Bar, Continuing Legal Education, 1984

Service To College Of Law

Chair, Adjunct Teaching Committee, 2019/2020, 2018/19, 2014/15, 2013/14, 2012/13, and 2011/12

Member, Bar Exam Support Committee, 2020/21

Member, 1L Experience Workgroup, May – June 2020

Member, Facilities & Sustainabilty Committee, 2017/18

Member, Adjunct Teaching Committee, Admissions Committee, 2015/16, 2010/11, 2006/07, 2005/06

Member, Admissions Committee, 2016/17, 2008/09, 2007/08

Member, Facilities & Technology Committee, 2016/17, 2010/11

Member, Facilities Committee and Ad Hoc Committee on Designation of Free Speech Zones, 2009/10

Member, Facilities Committee, 2003/04

Member, Admissions Disability Appeals Committee, Facilities Committee, 2004/05, 2002/03, 2001/02

Instuctor, Legal Issue Spotting, Analysis and Short Answer Drafting, University of Florida Levin College of Law Introduction to Law School and the Profession Orientation, 2018, 2017, 2016

Lecturer, Case Analysis and Briefing, University of Florida Levin College of Law Introduction to Law School and the Profession Orientation, 2015, 2014, 2012, 2010, 2008, 2007, and 2006

Lecturer, Law School: A Different Kind of Learning, for BLSA/SLSA during the University of Florida Levin College of Law Introduction to Law School and the Profession Orientation, 2008

Service To University

Member, Lakes, Vegetation, and Landscaping Committee, 2018/19, 2017/18, 2016/17

Awards & Activities

Florida Law Review Phi Beta Kappa

Professional Affiliations

The Legal Writing Institute American Association of Law Schools American Bar Association The Florida Bar Eighth Judicial Circuit Bar Association