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**ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE:**

**Visiting Associate Clinical Professor of Law, Sandra Day  
O'Connor College of Law – January, 2008, through present**

Courses taught:

*Legal Method and Writing:* Required fall semester course that instructs first-year law students on the fundamentals of legal analysis, research, and writing. Skills taught include legal analysis, case analysis, statutory analysis, objective legal writing, manual and computerized research, and interoffice oral communications.

*Legal Research and Writing:* Required spring semester course that builds upon the skills addressed in Legal Method and Writing. Skills taught include persuasive legal writing, oral advocacy, computerized and manual legal research, legal analysis, and structure of complex legal arguments.

*Intensive Legal Writing:* Upper-level course that builds upon skills addressed in first-year writing courses and introduces new skills, including drafting correspondence and pleadings; researching and analyzing statutes, cases, and administrative regulations; and understanding and preparing written documents that become necessary as a legal matter progresses.

## **EDUCATION:**

### **University of Arizona College of Law – Tucson, Arizona**

Juris Doctorate

May 1994

*Magna cum laude*

ARIZONA LAW REVIEW

Articles Editor – 1993-1994

Staff Writer – 1992-1993

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Ares Fellow (1992-1993) – Teaching assistant/writing tutor for  
first-year small section

Dean's List (Fall 1991-Spring 1994)

First-Year Moot Court Outstanding Brief

Jennings, Strouss & Salmon Advocacy Achievement Award

Jenkes Competition – finalist in 1993-1994 University of Arizona  
Competition

Dean's Merit Scholarship

### **Oberlin College – Oberlin, Ohio**

Bachelor of Arts

May 1991

Major – English; Minor – Psychology

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

*The Extent of the Attorney-Corporate Client Privilege in Arizona*, 36  
ARIZ. L. REV. 725 (1994)

## **RESEARCH AREAS:**

Legal analysis, research, and writing

Impact of grading systems on student motivation and success

**PRESENTATIONS:**

*Grading Dilemmas: Too hard, too soft, or just right?* Ninth Annual Rocky Mountain Regional Writing Conference, Tempe, Arizona, March 14, 2009

**CONFERENCES ATTENDED:**

Ninth Annual Rocky Mountain Regional Writing Conference, Tempe, Arizona, March 13-14, 2009

Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, San Diego, California, January 6-10, 2009

Eighth Annual Rocky Mountain Regional Writing Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah, March 21-22, 2008

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:**

Legal Writing Institute

State Bar of Arizona

United States District Court, District of Arizona

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

**Contract Attorney, Phoenix, Arizona  
March 2000 – December 2007**

Prepared research memoranda, motions, and appellate briefs.

Issues addressed included property law, construction law, parental liability, civil procedure, complex commercial litigation, fee recovery, insurance coverage, marriage dissolution and asset distribution, and provisional remedies.

**Associate Attorney – Jennings, Strouss & Salmon, Phoenix,  
Arizona  
September 1998 – March 2000**

Litigated matters involving complex commercial litigation, construction and surety, landlord/tenant, premises liability, education law, employment law, products liability, insurance coverage, and health care law.

Drafted appellate briefs and presented oral arguments before Arizona Court of Appeals.

Advised clients regarding available rights and remedies.

Recruited summer associates and associates; mentored summer associates and recently graduated associate attorneys.

Member of Arizona State Bar Appellate Practice Section and Arizona State Bar Construction Law Section.

Construction Law Section Executive Committee - Young Lawyer Representative (1999).

**Associate Attorney – Jennings, Haug & Cunningham, Phoenix,  
Arizona  
September 1995 – August 1998**

Practiced in the areas of commercial litigation, appellate practice, construction and surety, and insurance defense.

Advised clients regarding available rights and remedies.

Member of Arizona State Bar Appellate Practice Section and Arizona State Bar Construction Law Section.

**Judicial Clerk – Justice Thomas A. Zlaket, Arizona Supreme  
Court, Phoenix, Arizona  
September 1994 – September 1995**

Researched, drafted, and edited opinions.

Prepared bench memoranda.

**Summer Associate – Quarles & Brady, Phoenix, Arizona  
Summer 1993**

Conducted legal research and prepared memoranda and motions on various legal topics, including civil procedure, torts, administrative law, bankruptcy, real property, and evidence.

**Summer Associate – Phelps Dodge Corporation, Phoenix, Arizona  
Summer 1992**

Researched and drafted memoranda regarding contracts, property, torts, and environmental law.