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### EDUCATION

#### **GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER, Washington, DC**

Master of Laws, June 2015

Honors: With Distinction

Activities: Women's Law and Public Policy Fellowship Program

#### **NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, NY**

J.D., 2009

Honors: Ann Petluck Poses Memorial Prize for outstanding work in a clinical course requiring student practice

Activities: *Review of Law and Social Change*, Senior Articles Editor; Research Assistant, Professor Holly Maguigan; Teaching Assistant, U.S. Legal Methodologies; High School Law Institute

#### **UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SAN DIEGO, ELEANOR ROOSEVELT COLLEGE, La Jolla, CA**

Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics; Political Science; History, 2006

Honors: *magna cum laude*; *Phi Beta Kappa*; UCSD Alumni Association's Outstanding Senior for Eleanor Roosevelt College

Activities: President and Rules Committee Chair, Student Council at Eleanor Roosevelt College; Resident Advisor; Student Representative, Sexual Assault and Harassment Policy Development Workgroup

### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

#### **CIVIL LITIGATION CLINIC, UNIVERSITY OF DENVER, STURM COLLEGE OF LAW, Denver, CO**

*Visiting Assistant Professor*, July 2015 to present

Teach and supervise 8-10 law students and manage administration of six-credit, in house civil litigation clinic. Teach one or more courses a week focusing on trial skills, general lawyering skills, and case rounds. Supervise teams of law students representing survivors of domestic violence in protection order hearings, defending subsidized housing tenants in eviction proceedings, and acting as guardians ad litem in protection order cases. Responsible for development of student orientation and semester-long syllabus.

#### **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CLINIC, GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER, Washington, DC**

*Clinical Teaching Fellow*, June 2013 to June 2015

Taught, supervised, and evaluated law students in a ten-credit, in-house domestic violence clinic. Created and taught classes throughout each semester focusing on substantive law and litigation skills. Supervised teams of law students in their representation of clients seeking civil protection orders from client intake through trial and post-trial matters. Supervised students engaged in domestic violence policy projects and community education and counseling projects. Completed yearlong Elements of Clinical Pedagogy course. Participated in Women's Law and Public Policy Fellowship Program: attended regular seminars focusing on women's rights advocacy; played leadership role in planning first International Women's Day Symposium.

### PUBLICATIONS

*Parental Kidnapping Statutes and the Narrowing of Battered Parents' Options* (work in progress, available upon request)

*Reentering Survivors: Invisible at the Intersection of the Criminal Legal System and the Domestic Violence Movement*, 31 BERKELEY J. GENDER L. & JUST. 60 (2016)

Editor, *Know Your Rights: A Guide to Legal Remedies for Domestic Violence in the District of Columbia*, GEORGETOWN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CLINIC, 6th Edition (2015)

*Civil Protection Orders: Increased Access and Narrowed Enforcement*, 18 U. D.C. L. REV. 191 (2015)

VICTIMIZED AGAIN: HOW THE REENTRY PROCESS PERPETUATES VIOLENCE AGAINST SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, NATIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE FOR THE DEFENSE OF BATTERED WOMEN (2013), (available at: <http://ncdbw.org/CC%20NCDBW%20paper--%207-31-14%20clean.pdf>)

## **OTHER EXPERIENCE**

**OUR PLACE DC**, Washington, DC

*Equal Justice Works/AmeriCorps Legal Fellow & Staff Attorney*, September 2010–June 2013

Represented formerly incarcerated women in Domestic Violence Court, Family Court and administrative hearings. Represented incarcerated clients in parole revocation and parole grant hearings. Provided holistic legal services to walk-in and incarcerated clients, conducted regular legal education classes and clinics for incarcerated women, trained local DV agencies on serving formerly incarcerated survivors. Developed new satellite space in Mayor's Office on Returning Citizen Affairs to serve clients from the DC's poorest wards.

**SURVIVORS AND ADVOCATES FOR EMPOWERMENT**, Washington DC

*Victim Advocate*, March 2010–August 2010

**OUR PLACE DC**, Washington, DC

*Legal Volunteer*, January 2010–March 2010

**LEGAL MOMENTUM**, Washington, DC

*Post-Graduate Law Fellow, Employment Team*, October 2009–December 2009

**LAW OFFICES OF AIDALA & BERTUNA, P.C.**, New York, NY

*Pro Bono Legal Volunteer*, August 2009–October, 2009

**COMPARATIVE CRIMINAL JUSTICE CLINIC, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**, New York, NY

*Legal Intern*, January, 2009–May, 2009

**NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP FOR WOMEN AND FAMILIES**, Washington, DC

*Summer Law Clerk, Employment Discrimination Team*, May 2008–August 2008

**MEDICAL-LEGAL ADVOCACY CLINIC, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**, New York, NY

*Legal Intern*, August 2007–December 2007

**IRISH CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS**, Galway, Ireland

*Research Assistant*, May 2007–August 2007

## **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

Panelist, "Community Is All of Us: Interprofessional Collaboration, Law School Clinics, and Our Multiple Communities," AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education (2016).

National Advisor, Battered Women's Justice Project's Visioning Session (2016).

Guest Lecturer "Civil Protection Orders," CU Boulder School of Law, Domestic Violence course (2015).

Guest Speaker, "What Is A Crime?," *Georgetown University Summer High School Law Institute* (2014).

Panelist, "Advancing Justice: Ending Gender-Based Violence," *International Women's Day Symposium: Taking Global Action for Women's Rights*, *Georgetown University Law Center* (2014).

Webinar Instructor, "Victimized Again: How the Reentry Process Perpetuates Violence Against Survivors of Domestic Violence," *National Clearinghouse for the Defense of Battered Women* (2013)

Panelist, “Working with Special Populations,” *DC Coalition against Domestic Violence’s Domestic Violence Advocate Core Competencies Training* (2011, 2012, 2013).

Panelist, “What Formerly Incarcerated Victims Need,” *Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency’s Probation and Parole Officer Domestic Violence Training* (2012).

Commentator, Investigation Discovery’s *Deadly Women* series, season six, episode 2, “Parents Peril” (2012).

Guest Speaker, “Working with Formerly Incarcerated Survivors of Domestic Violence,” *DC Survivors and Advocates for Empowerment’s Advocates Meeting* (2010, 2011, 2012).

Guest Speaker, “Working with Formerly Incarcerated Survivors of Domestic Violence,” *DC Survivors and Advocates for Empowerment’s Intern and Volunteer Training* (2010, 2011, 2012).

Panelist, “Developing Cultural Competency,” *DC Coalition against Domestic Violence’s Domestic Violence Advocate Core Competencies Training* (2011, 2012).

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND SERVICE**

Member of the California, District of Columbia, and Colorado Bars.

Former Director, Women Involved in Reentry Efforts’ founding Board of Directors. (2013-2015).