

# Maikieta Antoinette Brantley

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Missouri School of Law, Columbia, MO**

*Juris Doctor*, May 2017

Order of Barristers

Dean's List

### Awards

CALI Excellence Award in Advanced Trial Practice for Highest Grade

R. David Ray Trial Advocacy Award

Roscoe Anderson Award for Excellence in Advocacy

1L Moot Court Top Oral Advocate

Leadership Council on Legal Diversity National 2015 Class of 1L Scholar

### Activities

JOURNAL OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION, Layout and Design Editor

Board of Advocates, 1L Moot Court Director

TYLA National Trial Team Member

Missouri Attorney General's Cup Trial Team Member

National Arbitration Trial Team Member

Phi Delta Phi Legal Honors Fraternity

Black Law Students Association

**University of Missouri, Columbia, MO**

*Master of Accountancy*, May 2014

*Bachelor of Science in Accountancy, Minor in Spanish*, May 2014

Dr. Donald Suggs and University of Missouri Full Academic Scholarship

Mizzou '39: Recognition as 1 of 39 Outstanding Seniors from University Class of 5500+ students

## TEACHING INTERESTS

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Legal Research and Writing, Advanced Legal Writing, Trial Advocacy, Legal Drafting, Civil Procedure, Pre-Trial Litigation, Wills and Trusts, Estate Planning

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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**University of Denver, Sturm College of Law, Denver, CO**

*Visiting Assistant Professor, Fellow of Inclusive Excellence*, August 2019 – Present

- Teaches legal writing, research, and legal analysis in two semester, first-year course in Top 10 Nationally Ranked Lawyering Process Program
- Independently develops course curriculum
- Engages in inclusive teaching practices

## **University of Missouri, Columbia, MO**

*Finance Instructor, August 2015 – May 2017*

- Taught prerequisite business minor course “Finance 2000” full time to two sections of 50+ undergraduate students during fall and spring semesters

*Assistant to Professor Brad Desnoyer in Legal Research and Writing, August 2015 – May 2017*

- Assisted Professor Desnoyer in class, with research, and with grading
- Participated in problem development and drafting of sample materials
- Prepared students for appellate argument

*Assistant to Professor Rachel Wilson in Tax Research, August 2017 – May 2017*

- Assisted Professor Wilson in class, with research, and with grading

## **SERVICE AND AWARDS**

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Diverse Attorney Pipeline Program (DAPP), *Inaugural Associate Board Member*, Jan 2020 – Present

LEGAL COMMUNICATION & RHETORIC: JALWD, *Social Media Editor*, July 2020 – Present

LegalTrek, *Mentor and Mock Trial Coach*, May – July 2020

MISSOURI LAWYERS WEEKLY, *Leader of Tomorrow Award*, April 2017

## **PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

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*From the Judge’s Desk to Your Hands: Legal Writing Tips from the Bench*, 17 LEGAL COMMUNICATION & RHETORIC: JALWD \_\_ (forthcoming 2020)

*Social Media in the New Decade: Creating the #SocialMediaBillofRights*, Work-in-Progress

*Presenter*: “Bluebook? What’s that? Introduction to Legal Writing.” Diverse Attorney Pipeline Program (DAPP) Virtual Conference, August 2020

## **LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

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**Lewis Rice, LLC**, Saint Louis, MO

*Associate*, September 2017 – August 2019

- Practiced civil litigation; gained experience in client counseling and pre-trial matters
- Served as primary contact for national 501(c) organization labor and employment issues
- Drafted organizational documents for private foundations and other non-profit organizations
- Drafted estate planning documents for high net worth clients
- Independently represented tenants’ pro bono in contested landlord/tenant matters

*Summer Associate*, May 2016 – July 2016

- Drafted pleadings; prepared memoranda; and conducted legal research on complex issues involving state and federal law

**University of Missouri, Columbia, MO**

*Law Library Reference Desk Assistant, August 2015 – May 2017*

- Assisted professors, students, and guests with legal research

**Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP, Kansas City, MO**

*Summer Associate, May 2015 – July 2015*

- Drafted pleadings; prepared memoranda; and conducted legal research on complex issues involving state and federal law

**Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit of Texas, Dallas, TX**

*Intern for Justice Douglas Lang, December 2014*

- Conducted legal research on pending cases and assisted Judge Lang in preparation for oral arguments

**Price Waterhouse Coopers, St. Louis, MO**

*Tax Intern, Winter 2013*

- Prepared individual & corporate tax returns, as well as individual and corporate tax extensions

**BAR ADMISSIONS**

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**Missouri Bar, 2017**

**Illinois Bar, 2018**

**United States District Court, Eastern District of Missouri, 2018**