

# LINDSEY DE SOTO WEBB

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## EDUCATION

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GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER, Washington, D.C.

E. Barrett Prettyman Fellow, Georgetown Criminal Justice Clinic, 2001-2003  
LLM in Advocacy

STANFORD LAW SCHOOL, Palo Alto, CA

Juris Doctor, 1999

WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, Middletown, CT

Bachelor of Arts in American Studies, 1993  
Phi Beta Kappa, *Class Rank*: 3/703

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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UNIVERSITY OF DENVER STURM COLLEGE OF LAW

*Associate Professor with Tenure*

Summer 2018-Present

*Assistant Professor*

Fall 2013-Summer 2018

*Lecturer at Law*

Spring 2007-Spring 2013

Develop and teach both clinical and non-clinical courses, including Advancing Social Change Clinic, Civil Rights Clinic, Criminal Defense Clinic, Evidence, Evidence Practicum, Lawyering for Racial Justice, and Movement Lawyering Lab. Holds or has held the following leadership positions:

- Ronald V. Yegge Clinical Director, 2024-Present
- Director of Christopher N. Lasch Clinical Teaching Fellowship Program, 2022-2024
- Director of Advancing Social Change Clinic, 2023-Present
- Director of Criminal Defense Clinic, 2020-2022
- Director of Public Interest, 2007-2013

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER

*E. Barrett Prettyman Fellow*

Summer 2001- Summer 2003

Supervised third-year law students in the Criminal Justice Clinic in all aspects of case preparation and in court appearances. Taught weekly classes on trial advocacy skills. Represented indigent adults accused of felonies and misdemeanors in D.C. Superior Court.

## ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

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*Incarceration as Death Sentence*, HARVARD CIVIL RIGHTS-CIVIL LIBERTIES LAW REVIEW (forthcoming)

*True Crime and Danger Narratives: Reflections on Stories of Violence, Race, and (In)Justice*, JOURNAL OF GENDER, RACE & JUSTICE (IOWA LAW SCHOOL) (2021)

*Yes, You Can Learn Movement Lawyering in Law School: Highlights from the Movement Lawyering Lab at Denver Law*, HOWARD HUMAN & CIVIL RIGHTS LAW REVIEW (2020) (co-authored with Prof. Alexi Freeman)

*Legal Consciousness as Race Consciousness: Expansion of the Fourth Amendment Seizure Analysis Through Objective Knowledge of Police Impunity*, SETON HALL LAW REVIEW (2018)

*Positive Disruption: Addressing Race in a Time of Social Change Through a Team-Taught, Reflection-Based, Outward-Looking Law School Seminar*, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA JOURNAL OF LAW & SOCIAL CHANGE (2018) (co-authored with Prof. Alexi Freeman)

*Slave Narratives and the Sentencing Court*, N.Y.U. REVIEW OF LAW AND SOCIAL CHANGE (2018)

*The Immortal Accusation*, WASHINGTON LAW REVIEW (2015)

*The Procedural Due Process Rights of the Stigmatized Prisoner*, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA JOURNAL OF CONSTITUTIONAL LAW (2013)

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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*From a RPL in the Classroom to a Wave in the World: Coursework Focused on Race, Place, & Law*, 101 DENV. L. REV. 479 (2024)

*Music and the Law School Classroom*, THE LAW TEACHER, Vol. XVIII, Number 1 (Fall 2011)

## PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

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**COLORADO STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER, APPELLATE DIVISION**, Denver, CO Winter 2005-Spring 2007  
**Deputy State Public Defender**

Wrote and argued post-conviction appeals for indigent people convicted of felonies throughout Colorado.

**COLORADO STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER, ADAMS COUNTY TRIAL OFFICE**, Brighton, CO Fall 2003-Winter 2005  
**Deputy State Public Defender**

Responsible for all aspects of representation, including preliminary hearings, plea negotiations, trials, and sentencing hearings, for heavy caseload of indigent adults accused of felony offenses, including lifetime range offenses.

**COLORADO STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER, DENVER TRIAL OFFICE**, Denver, CO Spring 2000-Summer 2001  
**Deputy State Public Defender**

Represented adults accused of misdemeanors in Denver County Court. Promoted to District Court, Juvenile Division; responsible for caseload of felony and misdemeanor youth cases.

**HOLLAND & PAGLIUCA**, Denver, CO

Fall 1999-Spring 2000

**Law Clerk**

Conducted legal research and writing for direct death penalty appeal.

**GEORGIA RESOURCE CENTER**, Atlanta, GA

Summer 1998

**Law Clerk**

Interviewed clients on death row in preparation for habeas appeals. Conducted legal research and investigated case histories.

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

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**University of Denver Sturm College of Law:** *Advancing Social Change Clinic; Advanced Trial Advocacy; Civil Rights Clinic; Criminal Defense Clinic; Criminal Defense Investigation; Criminal Justice Seminar: Sex Offenders; Evidence; Evidence Practicum; Lawyering for Racial Justice; Legal Externship Seminars; Movement Lawyering Lab; Movement Lawyering for Social Justice: Skills-Building Workshop*

**University of Colorado Law School:** *Advanced Trial Advocacy; Trial Advocacy*

**Georgetown University Law Center:** *Criminal Justice Clinic*

## **RECOGNITIONS**

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Recipient of Lawyers for Good Government's Legislative Advocacy Award (honoring "steadfast dedication and active commitment to state-level policy change through L4GG's State Legislative Advocacy Academy Leadership Program") (2024)

Recognized by the University of Denver as "one of the university's most outstanding faculty members contributing to impactful teaching" (2021, 2023)

Student-nominated as a Denver University Faculty Career Champion (2023)

Clinical Legal Educators Association, *Award for Excellence in a Public Interest Case* (award recognizing Civil Rights Clinic's co-supervised multi-year civil rights and habeas representation of an incarcerated individual) (2023)

Public Justice, Trial Lawyer of the Year Finalist (recognized for work on team litigating *Decoteau v. Raemisch & Anderson v. Colorado*, cases which ensured outdoor time for Colorado prisoners previously held in solitary confinement) (2017)

Clinical Legal Educators Association, *Award for Excellence in a Public Interest Case* (award recognizing Civil Rights Clinic in co-supervised class action lawsuit) (2016)

Recipient, Interdisciplinary Research Institute for the Study of (In)Equality Research/Professional Development Grant (with Alexi Freeman) (2014)

Featured in *Law Week Colorado* as one of seven "best law professors" at Denver Law (2012)

## SERVICE

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Senator, University of Denver Faculty Senate (2024-present) (elected position)  
Appointments Committee (2016-2017, 2024-2025)  
Commission Member, Denver Office of the Municipal Public Defender (2023-present)  
Rocky Mountain Collective on Race, Place, & Law (2013-present)  
Chair, Promotion and Tenure Advisory Committee (2023-2024)  
Board Member, Colorado Criminal Defense Institute (2020-2024)  
Examinations, Standing, and Readmissions (2020, 2024)  
Lawyers for Good Government, State Legislative Advocacy Academy (SLAA) Leadership Program (2023)  
Curriculum Committee (2014-2016; 2022-2023)  
Member, Promotion and Tenure Advisory Committee (2022-2023)(2025-2026)  
Activist Academic Community of Practice (2022-2023)  
Public Good Fund Review Committee (2013-2023)  
Loan Repayment Assistance Program Committee (2007-2016, 2020-2022)  
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee (2020-2022)  
Modern Learning Committee (2017-2018, 2020-2021)  
Faculty Executive Committee (2017-2019) (elected position)  
Admissions Committee (2018)  
Colorado Bar Association Criminal Law Section Executive Council (2010-2018)  
Faculty Advisor, Public Interest Law Group (2008-2015)  
Public Interest Committee (2007-2011)  
Diversity Committee (2010-2011)

## SELECTED MEDIA

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January 2023, quoted by Elaine Tassy, *Denver Law Introduces Advancing Social Change Clinic*, Colorado Public Radio (Jan. 3, 2023)

September 2022, quoted by Adedoyin Adeniji and Bria Massey, *Only Murders in the Building Exemplifies the Lies in True Crime*, SCALAWAG (Sept. 16, 2022)

September 2022, *Spectacle* Podcast, Interview, *True Crime, Glass of Wine, Bed by 9 – A White Lady Obsession*

October 2021, quoted by Phoebe Lett, *Opinion: Is Our True Crime Obsession Doing More Harm Than Good?*, NEW YORK TIMES (Oct. 28, 2021)

October 2021, HERE & NOW, National Public Radio Interview, *Why True Crime Is A White Woman's Genre- And the Impact It's Having on Society*

July 2020, *Innovative Social Justice Course Design*, on the *SALT Teaching Social Justice* Podcast (with Alexi Freeman)

September 2019, quoted by Jessica Folker, *A Shot in the Dark: A Man's Last Hope and the Local Lawyers Who Helped Free Him*, LAW WEEK COLORADO (Sept. 30, 2019) (article describing work on successful federal clemency petition)

Spring 2016, quoted by Mike Stetz, *Best Schools for Practical Training*, THE NATIONAL JURIST (article featuring Denver Law clinical programs)

December 2015, quoted by Hannah Garcia, *Some Time in the Sun: DU Students Prevail in Settlement Between DOC and Inmates Over Access to Outdoor Exercise*, LAW WEEK COLORADO (Dec. 12, 2015).

## PRESENTATIONS

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May 2026, *Risk Assessment and Risk Management for Law School Clinics*, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Portland, OR (three-hour workshop, panel moderated)

May 2026, *Teaching Movement Lawyering in Clinical Programs in a Hostile Political Climate*, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Portland, OR (panel presentation)

September 2025, *Introduction to Evidence*, University of Denver/Metro State University of Denver PreLaw Day

September 2025 and September 2024, *How to Leverage Data and Storytelling for Effective Advocacy*, Lawyers for Good Government, State Legislative Advocacy Academy

April 2025, *Empowering All Learners: Teaching to Different Learning Styles in the Clinical Setting*, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Baltimore, MD (poster presentation, with Miriam Kerler)

April 2025, *Unified Justice: Advancing Holistic Legal Education through Structured Cross-Clinic Collaboration*, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Baltimore, MD (panel presentation)

April 2025, *Ensuring Access to Clinical Education for Working Students: Why This Is an Equity Imperative and How to Make It Happen*, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Baltimore, MD (with Ericka Curran and Ngozi Ndulue)

September 2024, *Breaking Silos: Enhancing Legal Education Through Cross-Clinic Collaboration*, Society of American Law Teachers, Boston, MA (panel presentation)

September 2024, *Protecting Our Professional Identities While Teaching Our Students How to Form Their Own*, Society of American Law Teachers, Boston, MA (with Patience Crowder)

May 2024, *Clinic Design with Critical Theory*, AALS Workshop for New Law School Clinical Teachers, St. Louis, MO (with Patience Crowder and Robin Walker Sterling)

May 2024, *Universal Design*, AALS Workshop for New Law School Clinical Teachers, St. Louis, MO (with Lauren Fontana)

April 2023, *Practices to Build, Sustain and Teach Resilient Hope in the Midst of a Long-Term Struggle for Social Change*, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, San Francisco, CA (panel presentation)

December 2020, *Movement Lawyering: Virtual Experiential Learning in Service of Grassroots Organizations*, Legal Writing Institute One-Day Workshop, California Western School of Law (with Alexi Freeman)

September 2020, *Critical Race Theory and White Privilege: Origins, Definitions, and Current Realities*, University of Denver Sturm College of Law (with Nancy Leong)

July 2020, *What is Movement Lawyering? Understanding How Lawyers Can Support - and Fail - Social Movements*, University of Denver Sturm College of Law (with Alexi Freeman and Daniel Kim)

July 2020, *Teach-In: What it Means to Be an Anti-Racist*, University of Denver Sturm College of Law (with Tom Romero and Julia Daniel)

December 2019, *You Don't Say! An Exploration of C.R.E. 800s*, Office of Respondent Parents' Counsel Training on Evidence in Child Welfare Proceedings, Denver, CO

July 2019, *Centering Student Stories in the Legal Classroom*, Conference on Applied Legal Storytelling, Boulder, CO (with Alexi Freeman)

September 2018, *What Defenders Should Know About Prisons and Prison Law*, Colorado State Public Defender's Office Annual Conference, Snowmass, CO

January 2017, *The Future of Justice Reinvestment in Colorado*, Law Review Symposium: Justice Reinvestment: The Solution to Mass Incarceration, Denver, CO (moderated panel discussion)

September 2016, *A New Way to Talk about Race and the Law: Collaboration, Interconnection, and Popular Nonfiction*, Society of American Law Teachers Conference, Chicago, IL (with Alexi Freeman)

May 2016, *Works in Progress Presentation*, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Baltimore, MD (presenter)

November 2014, *What Public Defenders Should Know About Prison Law*, Colorado State Public Defender's Office (with Laura Rovner)

October 2014, *Not Just a Ripple, But a Rising Tide: Improving Legal Education Through the Creation of a Law School Collective Focused on Race, Place, and Law*, SALT Teaching Conference, UNLV Law School (panel presentation).

October 2014, *Mountain West Regional Clinical Conference*, Denver Law School (Organizing Committee)

October 2014, *Representing the Unpopular: Pedagogical Approaches to Student and Social Antipathy to a Client or Cause*, Mountain West Regional Clinical Conference, Denver Law (panel presentation)

September 2014, *Rocky Mountain Public Interest and Social Justice Retreat*, Denver Law School (Organizing Committee)

September 2014, *Poverty Lawyering: Direct Representation of Those Most in Need and Policy Advocacy: Creating Laws That Work for People* (moderated both panel discussions), Rocky Mountain Public Interest and Social Justice Retreat, Denver Law School

April 2013, *Works in Progress Presentation*, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, San Juan, Puerto Rico (presenter)

March 2013, *Ann Scales on Challenging Patriarchy, On Having Fun and Raising Hell: Symposium Honoring the Work of Professor Ann Scales*, Denver Law School (moderated panel discussion)

March 2012, *Not Just a SiP, But Drinking from the Fire Hose: Lessons Learned from Denver Law's Implementation of the Semester in Practice*, Preparing Lawyers: The Role of Field Placement, Northeastern University School of Law School/ Harvard Law School (with Ann Vessels)

August 2009, *Defending the Defenders: Advocacy for Combat Veterans in Criminal Courts*, University of Colorado Law School (Organizing Committee)

March 2009, *The Legal System's Response to Domestic Violence: Emerging Challenges, New Perspectives*, University of Colorado Law School (Organizing Committee)

Multiple presentations on variety of public interest-related topics, ranging from criminal defense practice to developing public interest fellowship proposals, University of Denver Sturm College of Law (2007-present)