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BAR STATUS

Admitted to Ohio Bar November 2005

Admitted to the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio February 2009

Admitted to the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals 2013

EDUCATION and AWARDS

Capital University Law School, Columbus, Ohio

- Juris Doctor, May 2005
 - Trustees Merit Scholarship, Order of the Curia, Excellence for the Future Award

The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

- Master of Social Work, 2001
 - Emerson and Miriam Wollam Scholarship
- Bachelor of Arts in Criminology, 1996
 - Melton Center for Jewish Education Scholarship, Jewish Federation Scholarship
- Semester Abroad, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel, 1995

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Staff Attorney, The Legal Aid Society of Columbus, 2006-2015

Staff Attorney II, The Legal Aid Society of Columbus, 2015-2022

Staff Attorney III, The Legal Aid Society of Columbus, 2022-present

- Represent indigent clients
- Practiced Domestic law from 2006 to 2009
 - Staff Attorney for the TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) project
 - Collaboration with FCCS (Franklin County Children Services) taking cases referred from FCCS where domestic violence was impeding the client's ability to keep her/his children
- Beginning 2009 focus on Consumer law
 - Focus on litigation
 - Set priorities to affect the greatest number of low-income individuals
 - Extensive legal research and trial and motion practice in areas of consumer law
- Authored Ohio Consumer Law Book, Chapter 19: Security Interests; Repossession and Sale and edit it each year
- From 2009 – 2011 ran a monthly Consumer law debt defense clinic
- Work on several committees including current committees of:
 - New Attorney Training Committee
 - Ohio Training Advisory Committee Member
- Run monthly brief advice clinic at Jewish Family Services
 - 2017 Partner of the Year
- Supervise MSW student from 2007 to present
 - Oversee social work assignments given to social work intern
 - Meet with social work intern for supervision and to process individual assignments
- Assist pro bono attorneys with representation of referred clients

- Organize and teach CLE on consumer debt defense for pro bono attorneys
- Present at various agencies on consumer topics
- Trainer for several trainings put on by Legal Aid and CORT
- Co-Team Leader Court Procedures team beginning July 2020
 - Draft impact plan setting priorities for the team
 - Assist in litigation where access to court is an issue

Adjunct Professor, The Ohio State University MSW Program, Fall Quarter, 2010

- Taught in the Master of Social Work Department
- Course name: Social Welfare Policies and Programs I

Intake Coordinator/Community Support Provider, Huckleberry House, 2001-2004

- Provide counseling to youths with mental health disabilities
- Assist parents with innovative coping mechanisms to care for their children
- Refer and link youths to resources in the community to help provide for their needs
- Assess and diagnose youths to determine the level of care needed
- Provide crisis support to youths in mental health crises and their families
- Compile monthly statistics regarding current clients

Contingent Youth Services Worker, Netcare Corporation, 2001-2003

- Assess youths experiencing a mental health crisis
- Develop a service plan catering to individual needs
- Answer crisis calls and address callers' needs
- Coordinate appropriate services with social service agencies

Part-time House Manager, C.H.O.I.C.E.S., for victims of domestic violence, 1998-2000

- Responsible for answering crisis calls
- Attend to the various needs of current house residents
- Supervise safety and security of the shelter
- Facilitate domestic violence support group
- Complete assessments on incoming women and children

BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

Member of Sewer and Water Advisory Board

- Appointed by Columbus City Mayor Michael Coleman on June 8, 2012
- Advises city council and Mayor Coleman regarding rate increases
- Assists to maintain low income program

Member of Committee on Regional Training Board

- Plan legal skills and substantive law trainings for legal aid staff in four states
- Prioritize reoccurring trainings based on current staffing needs, explore new trainings to enhance the curriculum, and refine established trainings
- Responsible for monitoring the financial reports for the organization to ensure dues collected from member programs cover planned annual trainings

Member of Tifereth Israel Board, April 2019-April 2022

- Fulfill fiduciary responsibilities by reviewing and monitoring the annual budget and financial statements
- Attend Board of Trustees and Annual Congregation meetings