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### **General Background:**

I am a tenured full professor of law at Stetson University College of Law, where I direct the Institute for the Advancement of Legal Communication. Since beginning my academic career in 2008, I have developed expertise in critical and cognitive rhetoric, specializing in teaching predictive and persuasive legal writing, appellate advocacy, and trial advocacy. My experience includes directing and coaching moot court and mock trial teams at multiple institutions, designing legal writing curricula, and creating an upperlevel writing program from scratch. At Stetson, I teach legal writing in one of the nation's top programs and lead initiatives advancing legal communication, such as mentoring new scholars and developing innovative approaches to teaching legal writing. Beyond teaching, I have mentored students on law review, supervised research assistants, and advised student organizations, all while contributing to the legal community through pro bono work and educational outreach. An active scholar, I have presented at numerous national conferences and workshops on legal writing, advocacy, and critical and comparative rhetoric. Before academia, I practiced criminal defense and immigration law, serving as a public defender in Florida and later running a private practice focused on criminal defense, appellate advocacy, and immigration law.

## Areas of scholarly interest consistent with the purpose of the grant program:1

critical and comparative rhetoric, social justice advocacy, scholarly writing process, curriculum design, problem and exam design, drafting for practice, persuasion

## A representative list of scholarship:

<u>Florida Criminal Practice & Procedure</u> (2024 Revision, LexisNexis) (2025 revision is currently in progress).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Legal Communication & Rhetoric Visiting Scholars Grants are intended to further support, strengthen, and encourage scholarship focusing on the study and practice of professional legal writing.



How Traditional Legal Rhetoric's Myth of Neutrality Sustains Capitalism, 101 Denv. L. Rev. 721 (2024).

*Designing Problems to Enhance Student Learning*, 28 Legal Writing: J. Legal Writing Inst. 21 (2024).

Co-Authored with Lucy Jewel and Teri A. McMurtry-Chubb, <u>Critical and Comparative</u> Rhetoric: <u>Unmasking Privilege and Power in Law and Legal Advocacy to Achieve Truth, Justice, and Equity</u> (Bristol University Press 2023).

Claiming Our Place at the Table of Legal Academia: Examining Types and Topics of Legal Writing Scholarship, 2 Proceedings 16 (Fall 2021).

Co-Authored with Lucy Jewel and Teri A. McMurtry-Chubb, *Antebellum Law is the Precedent for Today's White-on-Black Violence*, Race and the Law Prof Blog (June 13, 2020) <a href="https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/racelawprof/2020/06/antebellum-law-is-the-precedent-for-todays-white-on-black-violence-by-professors-elizabeth-berenguer.html">https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/racelawprof/2020/06/antebellum-law-is-the-precedent-for-todays-white-on-black-violence-by-professors-elizabeth-berenguer.html</a>.

Co-Authored with Lucy Jewel and Teri A. McMurtry-Chubb, *Gut Renovations: Using Critical and Comparative Rhetoric to Remodel How the Law Addresses Privilege and Power*, 23 Harvard Latinx L. Rev. 205 (2020).

The Legal Scholar's Guidebook (Wolters Kluwer February 2020).

The Color of Fear: A Cognitive-Rhetorical Analysis of How Florida's Subjective Fear Standard in Stand Your Ground Cases Ratifies Racism, 76 U. Maryland L. Rev. 726 (2017).

Better Analysis, Better Decisions: Why Reading Cases Can Improve Legal Education, Advocacy, and Decisionmaking around the Globe, 21. Yuzyilda Hukuk Egitimi 209 (2014).

A Call for Change: A Contextual-Configurative Analysis of Florida's "Stand Your Ground" Laws, 68 U. Miami L. Rev. 1052 (2014).

Foreword: A Place at the Table, 1 Savannah L. Rev. vii (2014).

Disaster Unaverted: Reconciling the Desire for a Safe and Secure State with the Grim Realities of Stand Your Ground, 37 Am. J. Trial Advoc. 1 (2013).



<u>Gideon</u>'s Legacy: Taking Pedagogical Inspiration from the Briefs that Made History, 18 Barry L. Rev. 227 (2013).

*In Defense of Scholarship*, 27 The Second Draft: The Official Magazine of the Legal Writing Inst., no. 1, Summer 2013, at 4 (<a href="https://www.lwionline.org/article/defense-scholarship">https://www.lwionline.org/article/defense-scholarship</a>).

The Invisible Man: How the Sex Offender Registry Results in Social Death, 2 J. L. Soc. Deviance 92 (2011).

From Innocent Boys to Dirty Old Men: Why the Sex Offender Registry Fails, 47 No. 6 Crim. L. Bull. ART 2 (Winter 2011).

Deadly Combinations: How Self-Defense Laws Pairing Immunity with a Presumption of Fear Allow Criminals to Get Away with Murder, 34 Am. J. Trial Advoc. 105 (2010).

# Ideas for programming Distinguished Speaker might offer a host school, including potential topics and target audiences:

- Strategies for social justice advocacy (lectures in this program would be valuable to clinicians, legal writing faculty, students, and alums—especially alums who practice for legal aid, public defender, and other similar agencies and institutions)
- Social justice conscious instruction (lectures in this program would be ideal for faculty who teach any classes and would guide professors on how to identify bakedin biases that have long existed in the U.S. legal system, address those explicitly in class, and offer alternative perspectives for expanding how we think about the legal system and how it should operate)
- Best practices for legal drafting in practice (lectures in this program would be targeted to students, alums, and legal writing professors and would include advice for drafting in practice)
- Curriculum and problem design (lectures in this program would be best for faculty, especially legal writing faculty)
- Scholarly writing processes (lectures in this program would work well for students on law review or taking seminars, professors teaching seminars or supervising student scholarly writers, and professors who want mentorship or additional guidance for scholarly writing)



# In no more than 300 words, describe why a host school should consider you as a Visiting Scholar:

Host schools seeking to challenge the status guo and foster innovation in the evolving landscape of legal education should consider me as a speaker. Through my husband's law firm, I stay engaged with the legal profession and have a front-row seat to what is happening in the world of legal practice—the good, the bad, and the ugly. As a result, I understand how legal education needs to evolve to prepare students for practice, and I also frequently present on best practices to judges, staff attorneys, and practitioners to ensure that the quality of writing and advocacy in practice remains high. Over the past year, I have led CLEs and conferences for staff attorneys in Pinellas County, Florida, the bench and bar of the Court of Veterans Appeals at their annual conference in Washington, D.C., and legal professionals at the Savannah Bar Association's annual Hot Topics CLE. At the same time, my scholarship challenges longstanding legal systems that replicate biases and injustice, and I am qualified to speak to faculties and administrations about ways to operate within this framework while simultaneously challenging those systems. For students and practitioners, I can offer instruction on advocacy strategies beyond traditional legal rhetoric so that their advocacy toolkit is equipped with a variety of tools that they can adapt to various circumstances all while fulfilling their ethical duties as lawyers.

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**BIO:** I am currently a tenured full professor of law at Stetson University College of Law, where I direct the Institute for the Advancement of Legal Communication. My academic career began in 2008, and I have since cultivated expertise in critical and cognitive rhetoric specializing in teaching predictive and persuasive legal writing, appellate and advanced appellate advocacy, criminal law, pretrial practice and procedure, and trial advocacy. Additionally, I have coached numerous moot court and mock trial teams, co-directed Barry Law School's nationally recognized trial team, and directed Savannah Law School's moot court and mock trial teams. In 2012, I was hired to design the legal writing curriculum at Savannah Law School. While there, I directed the writing, moot court, and mock trial programs for four years until I joined the faculty of Campbell Law School in May 2016. Campbell hired me to create and direct the upper-level writing program which implements a cutting-edge approach to written persuasive advocacy. As part of my duties, I coordinated a collaboration with Nottingham Law School in the UK which provides Campbell students the opportunity to earn an LL.M while completing their JD. In 2020, I transitioned to Stetson Law School and now teach legal writing in one of the top legal writing programs in the nation and direct the Institute for the Advancement of Legal Communication. Stetson is nationally recognized for its excellence in writing and advocacy as well as its dedication to social justice.

As a professor, I have served as a supervisor to individual students working as teaching assistants and research assistants. I have supervised and mentored students writing for law review and the upper-level writing requirement. I have advised student organizations such as the Public Interest Law Society, the Hispanic Law Students Association, the Moot Court Honor Board, and the Mock Trial Advocacy Board. Also, while teaching I have consistently contributed to the community by working pro bono as a guardian ad litem in Florida, volunteering with elementary and middle school students through the Justice Teaching Program of the Florida Bar Association, and serving as a board member of the Coastal Empire Montessori Charter Organization and Savannah Classical Academy, both located in Savannah, Georgia.

In addition, I am an active scholar having presented multiple times at a variety of conferences and workshops including the American Association of Law Schools Annual Conference, the Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Conference, the Southeastern Regional Legal Writing Conference, the Applied Legal Storytelling Conference, the Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, the Psychology and the Law Conference, the Class Crit Conference, the Lat Crit Conference, the Georgia Family Law Institute, and many other CLEs and workshops.

Prior to teaching, I practiced as a criminal defense and immigration attorney in Orlando, Florida. As a public defender with the Office of the Public Defender, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Orange County, Florida, I represented clients on both misdemeanor and felony cases. I have also worked on death penalty cases as co-counsel specializing in researching and writing motions and witness preparation. Upon leaving the Public Defender's office in February 2005, I dedicated my private practice to criminal defense, appellate advocacy, and immigration.

# **Teaching Experience**

Stetson University School of Law, Gulfport, Florida

Professor of Law
Associate Professor of Law
Director, Institute for the Advancement of Legal Communication
Interim Director, Online Legal Education Strategies

2024-Present
2020 – 2024
2022-Present
Spring 2023

Courses: Research and Writing I, Research and Writing II, Advanced Appellate

Advocacy, U.S. Legal Writing, U.S./Cuba Legal Relations

Service: Director, The Institute for the Advancement of Legal Communication,

Academic Standards Committee, Diversity & Inclusion Committee, Co-Chair of Community Relations Subcommittee for D&I, Florida Law Schools' Consortium on Racial Justice, Code Review Committee, Stetson Culture Working Group, Electronic Education Committee, Canvas Roll-out Task

Force, Faculty/Staff LMS Transition Team

Campbell Law School, Raleigh, North Carolina

Associate Professor of Law, Director of Upper-Level Writing 2016 – 2020

Courses: Advanced Legal Writing and Advocacy, Trial Advocacy, Foundations of

Critical Legal Thought, Research, and Scholarship

Service: Nottingham LL.M program, Moot Court coach, Curriculum Committee,

Academic Standards Committee (co-chair 2018/2019; chair 2019/2020), Technology Committee, Law School Assessment (planning and data

collection), University Assessment Committee, Rigorous Writing Experience

Supervisor, Law Review Mentor, Advisor to Hispanic Law Students

Association, Advisor to Campbell Law Observer

Savannah Law School, Savannah, Georgia

Associate Professor of Law, Director of Legal Skills & Professionalism 2012 – 2016

Courses: Legal Research and Writing I and II, Appellate Advocacy, Art of Advocacy,

Advanced Appellate Advocacy, Pretrial Practice and Procedure,

Transactional Drafting, Criminal Law

Service: Created Legal Skills & Professionalism program including preparation of

materials that other professors who are hired to teach in the program will be able to use in preparing their classes. These materials include PowerPoints, lecture notes, problems, and in-class exercises. Developed Moot Court Board and Mock Trial Team. Served as Director of Academic Achievement in

Spring 2013 and individually mentored 2 students through that program. Committees: RPT, Committee of the Whole

Attended and participated in Open Houses, facilitated student tours of campus, and attended recruiting events. Participated in orientation by preparing case briefs and mind map for orientation August 2012 and participated in all other activities. Prepared and taught Case Briefing class for Orientation August 2013 and participated in all other activities.

Served as mentor at Stetson Scholars Forum November 2012, Faculty Host for Faculty Candidates, Faculty Adviser to 1L students, and Law Review Faculty Notes Adviser

Mercer University, Walter F. George School of Law, Macon, Georgia Visiting Professor of Law

Spring 2014

Course: Legal Writing I

Barry University School of Law, Orlando, Florida

Assistant Professor of Law

2008-2012

Courses: Legal Research and Writing I and II; Advanced Appellate Advocacy;

Directed Research

Service: Admissions Committee; Academic Services Committee; Academic Programs

Committee; Environmental Responsibility Committee; Mission Effectiveness Committee; Student Services Committee; Library & Technology Committee

Moot Court Coach; Faculty Co-Advisor, Trial Team; Faculty Advisor, Public Interest Law Society, Faculty Advisor, Energy Club; Speaker, Law School

Orientation; Speaker, Public Interest Career Day

Guardian ad Litem (2008-2011); Justice Teaching Volunteer (2010-present)

University of Phoenix, Orlando, Florida

Professor 2006-2008

Courses: Business Law (master's degree program); Criminal Justice (undergraduate

course); Criminal Court Systems (undergraduate course)

Service: Assistant Area Chair (undergraduate and master's programs)

### Education

Mercer University School of Law, Macon, Georgia

Juris Doctor, 2002, cum laude

#### Honors:

Woodruff Scholar; Order of Barristers; Moot Court Executive Board Member (Lawson Editor); Lawson Moot Court Competition Finalist; Cali Award Income Tax; Cali Award Evidence Section II; Cali Award Commercial Payment Systems; Dean's List Fall 2000, Spring 2001; Dean's List, Fall 2001.

#### Activities:

William H. McGhee Civil Rights Moot Court Competition (brief writer and oralist); Florida Worker's Compensation Moot Court Competition (brief writer and coach); International Law Society, President 2001-02, Secretary 2000-01, Corresponding Secretary 1999-2000; Student Mentor 2000-01.

Mercer University, Macon, Georgia

BBA, 1998, cum laude, International Business/Spanish Double Major

#### Honors:

Mercer Presidential Scholar; President's List; Dean's List; Outstanding Graduate in International Business Award; Phi Sigma Iota Foreign Language Honor Society.

#### Activities:

Students in Free Enterprise ("SIFE"); Delta Sigma Pi Business Fraternity; Alpha Gamma Delta Fraternity.

North-American Center for Cross-Cultural Studies, Sevilla, Spain. Study abroad focusing on international business and Spanish composition, Fall 1998.

# **Publications & Scholarly Service**

Florida Criminal Practice & Procedure (2024 Revision, LexisNexis)

The Unending Conversation: Gut Renovations are Certainly in Order, \_\_\_\_\_ Stetson L. Rev. \_\_\_\_ (2024) (in progress)

How Traditional Legal Rhetorie's Myth of Neutrality Sustains Capitalism, 101 Denv. L. Rev. 721 (2024)

Designing Problems to Enhance Student Learning, 28 Legal Writing: J. Legal Writing Inst. 21 (2024)

Preserving the Record for Appeal: A Primer, Georgia Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers Family Law Seminar (2023)

Co-Authored with Lucy Jewel and Teri A. McMurtry-Chubb, <u>Critical and Comparative Rhetoric:</u> <u>Unmasking Privilege and Power in Law and Legal Advocacy to Achieve Truth, Justice, and Equity</u> (Bristol University Press 2023)

Peer Editor, Eric Tucker and Timothy J. Bartkiw, Franchising and the Extraction of Surplus Value: Excavating the Legal Boundary Between Franchisees and Employees, 3 J.L. & Pol. Econ. 484 (2023)

Mentor, Anjali Prakash, The Start-Up of You--Harnessing Passion and Purpose in Law Practice: An Entrepreneurial Framework for Professional Identity Formation (in progress)

Peer Editor, Zoe Adams, Aspirational Work: A UK Labour Law Analysis, 3 J.L. & Pol. Econ. 326 (2022)

Peer Editor, Saru M. Matambanadzo, Gender, Expulsion, and Law under Racial Capitalism, 2 J.L. & Pol. Econ. 202 (2022)

Peer Editor, Juan Auz, Situating the Inter-American Human Rights System in the Oscillation of International Law, 2 J.L. & Pol. Econ. 94 (2021)

Claiming Our Place at the Table of Legal Academia: Examining Types and Topics of Legal Writing Scholarship, 2 Proceedings 16 (Fall 2021)

Co-Authored with Lucy Jewel and Teri A. McMurtry-Chubb, *Antebellum Law is the Precedent for Today's White-on-Black Violence*, Race and the Law Prof Blog (June 13, 2020) https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/racelawprof/2020/06/antebellum-law-is-the-precedent-fortodays-white-on-black-violence-by-professors-elizabeth-berenguer.html

Peer Editor, Angela Harris and Jay Varellas, Law and Political Economy in a Time of Accelerating Crises, 1 J.L. & Pol. Econ. 1 (2020)

Peer Editor, Sandeep Vaheesan, Privileging Consolidation and Proscribing Cooperation: The Perversity of Contemporary Antitrust Law, 1 J.L. & Pol. Econ. 28 (2020)

Peer Editor, Natsu Taylor Saito, Different Paths, 1 J.L. & Pol. Econ. 46 (2020)

Peer Editor, Carmen Gonzalez, Climate Change, Race, and Migration, 1 J.L. & Pol. Econ. 109 (2020)

Peer Editor, Marion Fourcade and Jeffrey Gordon, Learning Like a State: Statecraft in the Digital Age, 1 J.L. & Pol. Econ. 78 (2020)

Peer Editor, Steven K. Vogel, *The Regulatory Roots of Inequality in America*, 1 J.L. & Pol. Econ. 272 (2021)

Co-Authored with Lucy Jewel and Teri A. McMurtry-Chubb, Gut Renovations: Using Critical and Comparative Rhetoric to Remodel How the Law Addresses Privilege and Power, 23 Harvard Latinx L. Rev. 205 (2020)

The Legal Scholar's Guidebook (Wolters Kluwer February 2020)

The Color of Fear: A Cognitive-Rhetorical Analysis of How Florida's Subjective Fear Standard in Stand Your Ground Cases Ratifies Racism, 76 U. Maryland L. Rev. 726 (2017)

Techniques for Overcoming Bias, Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly (December 20, 2016), http://masslawyersweekly.com/2016/12/20/techniques-for-overcoming-bias/

A Woman Lawyer's Hard Lesson: You Can't Have It All, Above the Law (November 30, 2016), http://abovethelaw.com/2016/11/a-woman-lawyers-hard-lesson-you-cant-have-it-all/

Gender Bias in the Legal Workplace: Words Matter (Perspective), Big Law Business, Bloomberg Law (November 14, 2016), https://bol.bna.com/gender-bias-in-the-legal-workplace-words-matter-perspective/

Committee Member and Contributing Author, <u>LWI Lives</u>, Legal Writing Institute (2016-2017)

Contributing Editor, Appellate Advocacy Blog http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate\_advocacy/ (2014-2015)

Crime and Violence Section, 2015 Savannah Youth Master Plan

Castration, Chemical, Sage Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security, and Privacy (2015)

Castration, Surgical, Sage Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security, and Privacy (2015)

Civil Commitment, Sage Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security, and Privacy (2015)

Better Analysis, Better Decisions: Why Reading Cases Can Improve Legal Education, Advocacy, and Decisionmaking around the Globe, 21. Yuzyilda Hukuk Egitimi 209 (2014)

A Call for Change: A Contextual-Configurative Analysis of Florida's "Stand Your Ground" Laws, 68 U. Miami L. Rev. 1052 (2014)

Foreword: A Place at the Table, 1 Savannah L. Rev. vii (2014)

Disaster Unaverted: Reconciling the Desire for a Safe and Secure State with the Grim Realities of Stand Your Ground, 37 Am. J. Trial Advoc. 1 (2013)

<u>Gideon</u>'s Legacy: Taking Pedagogical Inspiration from the Briefs that Made History, 18 Barry L. Rev. 227 (2013)

In Defense of Scholarship, 27 The Second Draft: The Official Magazine of the Legal Writing Inst., no. 1, Summer 2013, at 4 (https://www.lwionline.org/article/defense-scholarship)

Zimmerman's Acquittal: A Race-Neutral Verdict for a Racially Charged Crime, Jurist Forum (July 19, 2013), http://jurist.org/forum/2013/07/elizabeth-megale-zimmerman-acquittal.php

Peer Editor, Legal Communication & Rhetoric: JALWD (August 2012)

Peer Editor, International Environmental Law, Vol. 46, Issue 1, International Lawyer 419 (March 12, 2012)

The Invisible Man: How the Sex Offender Registry Results in Social Death, 2 J. L. Soc. Deviance 92 (2011)

From Innocent Boys to Dirty Old Men: Why the Sex Offender Registry Fails, 47 No. 6 Crim. L. Bull. ART 2 (Winter 2011)

Deadly Combinations: How Self-Defense Laws Pairing Immunity with a Presumption of Fear Allow Criminals to Get Away with Murder, 34 Am. J. Trial Advoc. 105 (2010)

Contributing author to **Negocio Es**, Orlando, Florida, a free publication distributed in the Central Florida area whose goal is to educate the Hispanic community on a wide variety of issues. Articles were written in Spanish and covered criminal justice and family law issues relevant to Central Floridians (2005 - 2008)

## Presentations & Media Appearances

Speaker, Ethical Legal Writing in the Age of Generative AI, Savannah Bar Association Hot Topics CLE, January 24, 2025 (Virtual)

Speaker, Ethical Legal Writing, Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims Judicial Conference, September 20, 2024 (Washington, D.C.)

Speaker, Legal Writing Refresher, Sixth Judicial Circuit Annual Staff Attorney Training, August 15, 2024 (Clearwater, Florida)

Panelist, Critical and Comparative Rhetoric, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, July 17-20, 2024 (Indianapolis, Indiana)

Speaker, Scholarship & Discipline Building Workshop: Finding a Topic and Turning it into a Thesis, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, July 17-20, 2024 (Indianapolis, Indiana)

Facilitator, *Breathing Exercises for Relaxation*, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, July 17-20, 2024 (Indianapolis, Indiana)

Speaker, Author Meets Reader Session: Critical and Comparative Rhetoric: Unmasking Privilege and Power in Law and Legal Advocacy to Achieve Truth, Justice, and Equity, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, June 6-9, 2024 (Denver, Colorado)

Panelist, Teaching Power in Higher Education, Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, June 6-9, 2024 (Denver, Colorado)

Speaker, How Traditional Legal Rhetoric's Myth of Neutrality Sustains Capitalism, Denver Law Review Annual Symposium: "Financial Precarity and Late-Capitalism: A Critical Perspective," April 12-13, 2024 (Denver Law School, Denver, Colorado)

Panelist, Critical Theories, American Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, January 6, 2024 (Washington, D.C.)

Co-Speaker, *Preserving the Record for Appeal*, Georgia Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers Family Law Seminar, December 4, 2023 (Atlanta, Georgia)

Plenary Speaker, Critical and Comparative Rhetoric: Unmasking Privilege and Power in Law and Legal Advocacy to Achieve Truth, Justice, and Equity, Southern Clinical Law Conference, October 20-21, 2023 (Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia)

Speaker, Critical and Comparative Rhetoric, LatCrit 2023 Biennial Conference, October 6–7, 2023 (virtual)

Panelist, The Unending Conversation Live: Debating the Hard Issues of Teaching and Studying Legal Communication, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, July 2023 (Irvine, California)

Speaker, The Importance of Scholarly Research and Writing, EATS Conference, June 2023 (Stetson University College of Law, Gulfport, Florida)

Speaker, Research and Writing Strategies to Improve Pretrial, Trial, and Post-Trial Litigation Outcomes, Savannah Bar Association Hot Topics Continuing Legal Education Conference, January 2023 (Savannah, Georgia)

Speaker, *The Scholarly Writing Process*, informal presentation to advocacy professors, December 2022 (Stetson University College of Law, Gulfport, Florida)

Panelist, Integrating Literature into the Law School Curriculum, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference, August 2022 (Sandestin, Florida)

Discussant, Grading, Assessment, and Feedback that Promote Inclusive Learning, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference, August 2022 (Sandestin, Florida)

Discussant, *Incubating Change Agents*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference, August 2022 (Sandestin, Florida)

Co-Speaker, Infusing Legal Writing with Crucial and Comparative Rhetoric, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, July 2022 (Washington, D.C.)

Panelist, LWI Lives Committee Presentation, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, July 2022 (Washington, D.C.)

Panelist, Scholarship Speed Dating, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, July 2022 (Washington, D.C.)

Speaker, 6 one-hour CLE presentations, Legal Storytelling Series, National Business Institute (Recorded Summer 2022, available on demand)

Responsive Panelist, Assessing Antiracism or Antiracist Assessment?: Strategies & Critiques for Inclusive and Equitable Writing Communities (Keynote Address by Teri A. McMurtry-Chubb at LWI One-Day Workshop hosted by Stetson Law School)

Discussant, Discipline Building: Interrogating and Disrupting the Legal Writing Canon, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference, August 2021 (Amelia Island, Florida)

Panelist, Reason on Trial: Interrogating and Disrupting the Legal Writing Canon, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference, August 2021 (Amelia Island, Florida)

Co-Speaker, Healing Interventions: Disrupting the Legal Writing Canon, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, June 2021 (Online)

Speaker, 6 one-hour CLE presentations, Legal Writing Series, National Business Institute (Recorded Spring 2021, available on demand)

Speaker, Leveraging Technology to Develop a Client-Centered Practice, Transnational Conference on the Future of Legal Education, the Practice of Law, and the Judiciary, February 9-12, 2021 (Online)

Speaker, 10 Ways to Win in Writing, Virtual Hot Topics Seminar, Savannah Bar Association, January 2021 (Online)

Speaker, WebEx Training, Virtual Hot Topics Seminar, Savannah Bar Association, October 2020 (Online)

Discussant, Faculty Status - Unpacking Our Past and Envisioning Our Future, Annual Conference of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools, July 2020 (Online)

Panelist, Gut Renovations: Using Critical Rhetoric to Remodel How the Law Addresses Race, Annual Conference of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools, July 2020 (Online)

Co-Speaker, Gut Renovations: Using Critical Rhetoric to Remodel How the Law Addresses Race, ClassCrit Conference, November 15, 2019 (Western New England, Springfield, Massachusetts)

Co-Speaker, Gut Renovations: Using Critical Rhetoric to Remodel How the Law Addresses Race, LatCrit Conference, October 19, 2019 (Georgia State Law School, Atlanta, Georgia)

Speaker, Researching with Fastcase, Nuts and Bolts of Family Law Continuing Legal Education Seminar August 16, 2019 (Savannah, Georgia)

Facilitator, Works-in-Progress, 2019 Annual Conference of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools, August 2, 2019 (Boca Raton, Florida)

Panelist, Globalization and LL.M Programs, 2019 Annual Conference of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools, August 2, 2019 (Boca Raton, Florida)

Co-Speaker, *Gut Renovations: Using Critical Rhetoric to Remodel How the Law Addresses Race*, Seventh Biennial Conference on Applied Legal Storytelling, July 11, 2019 (University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado)

Panelist, Transitioning Legal Writing Programs from Adjunct to Tenure-Track, 2019 Biennial Conference, Association of Legal Writing Directors, June 3, 2019 (Boston, Massachusetts)

Panelist, *Implicit Bias: What it is and Why it Matters to Your Practice*, 2019 Family Law Institute, May 23, 2019 (Amelia Island, Florida)

Trainer, Research and Drafting Refresher, North Carolina Office of Administrative Hearings, April 30, 2019 – May 1, 2019 (Raleigh, North Carolina)

Quoted by Attorney at Law Magazine, April 15, 2019, "Nottingham Law and Campbell Law Schools Collaborate on LLM" (https://attorneyatlawmagazine.com/campbell-law-nottingham-law-schools-llm?fbclid=IwAR3BPYGsBzemFCjP6WFHHpmeN1hGIswoJD2YS\_q2LoeNsOPXR8ngvEsAwdA)

Speaker, *Implicit Bias and Women Lawyers*, Georgia Association of Women Lawyer's Luncheon, February 15, 2019 (Savannah, Georgia)

Panelist, Stronger Together: Building Bridges Between Law School and Practice, AALS Conference January 2019 (New Orleans, Louisiana)

Moderator, Works-in-Progress, 2018 Annual Conference of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools August 2018 (Ft. Lauderdale, Florida)

Participant, Discussion Group: Promoting Inclusion and Equity: Connecting Disciplines, Legal Education, and the Legal Profession, 2018 Annual Conference of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools August 2018 (Fort Lauderdale, Florida)

Speaker, The Millennial Mind Meets Xennial-Inspired Innovation, Southeast Regional Legal Writing Conference, April 2018 (Atlanta, Georgia)

Speaker, Cognitive Bias: 5 Tactics to Improve Results and Increase Client Satisfaction, State Bar of Georgia Family Law Section Diversity Committee, February 2018 (Atlanta, Georgia) (1 hour CLE credit approved) (featured by Daniele Johnson in Cognitive Bias and Its Impact on the Legal System, The Family Law Review)

Speaker, Student-Centered Problem Design, LWI One Day Workshop, December 2017 (Ft. Lauderdale, Florida)

Closing Plenary Panelist, Neoliberalism's Leviathan: Debtfare, Workfare, Prisonfare, November 2017 (New Orleans, Louisiana)

Panelist, Understanding the Connectivity of the Legal Apparatuses Found in Debtfare, Workfare, and Prisonfare of the Disciplining Neoliberal State, September 2017 (Orlando, Florida)

Panelist, Race and Advocacy, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, July 2017 (Minneapolis, Minnesota)

Panelist, Race and Advocacy, Applied Legal Story Telling Conference, July 2017 (Washington, D.C.)

Speaker, Disciplined Design: A Collaborative Approach to Program Development and Curriculum Planning, 2017 Southeast Regional Legal Writing Conference (Gulfport, Florida)

Participant, Law, Rhetoric, and Legal Writing Seminar and Workshop, 2017 Southeast Regional Legal Writing Conference (Gulfport, Florida)

Quoted by Politico: "Gorsuch's Writings Borrow from Other Authors: The White House Rejects Any Suggestion of Impropriety" (http://www.politico.com/story/2017/04/gorsuch-writings-supreme-court-236891)

Panelist, Art of Career: The Legal Writing Lateral, American Association of Law Schools Annual Conference, January 2017 (San Francisco, California)

Speaker, *Productive and Fulfilling Scholarship Across the Tenure Spectrum*, Southeast Association of Law Schools Conference Workshop on Legal Education, August 2016 (Amelia Island, Florida)

Co-presenter, *The Dark Side of Rhetoric*, Psychology of Persuasion Conference, September 2015 (Laramie, Wyoming)

Co-presenter, *The Dark Side of Rhetoric*, Applied Legal Storytelling Conference, July 2015 (Seattle, Washington)

Co-presenter, *The Dark Side of Rhetoric*, Association of Legal Writing Directors, June 2015 (Memphis, Tennessee)

Presenter, Advanced Appellate Advocacy: Developing a Course Relevant to Practice, Southeast Regional Legal Writing Conference, April 2015 (Knoxville, Tennessee)

Presenter, Free to Teach: Achieving Consistent Results While Supporting Academic Freedom, Southeast Regional Legal Writing Conference, April 2015 (Knoxville, Tennessee)

Presenter, What Could Possibly Go Wrong? A Study of Georgia's Open Carry Laws in the Context of Stand Your Ground, Savannah Bar Association Continuing Legal Education Hot Topics Seminar, January 2015 (Savannah, Georgia)

Panelist, *Implications of Stand Your Ground*, Savannah Youth Futures September 2014 (Savannah, Georgia)

Co-presenter, Categories! A Cognitive Rhetorician's Approach to Logos and Pathos, LWI Biennial Conference, June 2014 (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania)

Panelist, 2014 Legal Education in the 21st Century, April 2014 (Istanbul and Ankara, Turkey)

Co-presenter, Categories! A Cognitive Rhetorician's Approach to Logos and Pathos, Psychology and Lawyering, February 2014 (UNLV, Las Vegas, Nevada)

Guest on The Diane Rehm Show, National Public Radio, February 18, 2014 – "The Loud Music Trial and Renewed Debate Over Stand-Your-Ground Laws" (http://thedianerehmshow.org/shows/2014-02-18/loud-music-trial-and-renewed-debate-over-stand-your-ground-laws/transcript)

Guest on the Tom and Curly Show, KIRO Radio Seattle, February 17, 2014 – "Dunn Trial Raises More Questions about Florida's Stand Your Ground Law" (http://kiroradio.com/listen/9967895/)

Quoted by The Atlantic Wire: What Matters Now, "Would It Have Been Legal to Shoot and Kill George Zimmerman?" (http://www.theatlanticwire.com/national/2013/09/would-it-have-been-legal-shoot-and-kill-george-zimmerman/69257/)

Co-presenter, Categories! A Cognitive Rhetorician's Approach to Logos and Pathos, Applied Legal Storytelling Conference, July 2013 (London, England)

Guest on The Diane Rehm Show, National Public Radio, July 15, 2013 – "Questions Following the Acquittal of George Zimmerman" (http://thedianerehmshow.org/shows/2013-07-15/questions-following-acquittal-george-zimmerman)

Guest on The Daily Circuit, Minnesota Public Radio, July 15, 2013 – "Florida law that justified Zimmerman could have done the same for his victim" (http://minnesota.publicradio.org/display/web/2013/07/15/daily-circuit-zimmerman-verdict)

Guest Lecturer, Law & Literature (Atlanta's John Marshall Law School), March 19, 2013 (Atlanta, Georgia)

Faculty Presentation, Atlanta's John Marshall Law School, March 20, 2013 (Atlanta, Georgia)

Legal Commentator for WTOC News, Savannah, Georgia, September 28, 2012 - "Law School Professor Explains Castle Doctrine" (available http://www.wtoc.com/story/19671395/law-school-professor-explains-castle-doctrine)

Quoted by USA Today, August 9, 2012 – "George Zimmerman Seeks Hearing to Dismiss Murder Charges" (http://www.usatoday.com/news/nation/story/2012-08-09/zimmerman-hearing-charges-dismissed-trayvon/56922994/1)

Legal Commentator for Channel 13, Orlando, Florida, on the Casey Anthony trial (various appearances Summer and Fall 2011) and the Trayvon Martin shooting (various appearances Spring and Summer 2012)

Quoted by Naples Daily News, July 13, 2012 – "Study: 'Stand Your Ground' Laws Don't Deter Crime, May Lead to More Murders" (http://www.naplesnews.com/news/2012/jul/13/study-stand-your-ground-laws-dont-deter-crime-to/)

Quoted Bay News 9 and McKyton Law Blog, May 7, 2012 – "George Zimmerman: Case Spurs Legal Discourse" (http://www.mckytonlaw.com/blog/2012/05/07/george-zimmerman-case-spurs-legal-discourse/)

Panelist, *Debating Florida's "Stand Your Ground" Law* (with Florida State Representative Dennis Baxley, Judge O.H. Eaton, and former Assistant Public Defender Aramis Donnell), Tiger Bay Political Club, April 27, 2012 (Orlando, Florida)

Panelist, Barry Law School "Stand Your Ground," sponsored by Barry Law School's AAJ, BLSA, and PILS, Spring 2012 (Orlando, Florida)

Quoted on Wall Street Journal Law Blog, April 20, 2012 – "When a Defendant Testifies at His Bail Hearing" (http://blogs.wsj.com/law/2012/04/20/when-a-defendant-testifies-at-his-bail-hearing/)

Quoted by Palm Beach Post, April 19, 2012 - "Panel named to review Stand Your Ground law, in wake of teen's death" (http://www.palmbeachpost.com/news/news/state-regional/panel-named-to-review-stand-your-ground-law-in-wak/nN3Hg/)

Guest on To the Point, KCRW Radio, April 16, 2012 – "Stand Your Ground' in the Spotlight" (http://www.kcrw.com/news/programs/tp/tp120416stand\_your\_ground\_in)

Guest on National Public Radio's Morning Edition, April 13, 2012 – "Zimmerman's Attorney Is Respected by Prosecutors" (http://www.npr.org/2012/04/13/150549187/zimmermans-attorney-is-respected-by-prosecutors)

Guest on The Diane Rehm Show, National Public Radio, April 3, 2012 – "Stand Your Ground' & Concealed Weapons Laws" (http://thedianerehmshow.org/shows/2012-04-03/stand-your-ground-and-concealed-weapons-laws)

Quoted by ABC News Radio, March 25, 2012 - "Trayvon Martin's Death Puts Florida's 'Stand Your Ground' Law Under New Scrutiny" (http://abcnewsradioonline.com/national-news/tag/stand-your-ground#ixzz229Gv8r8i)

Quoted by ABC News, March 25, 2012 - "Trayvon Martin's Death Puts Florida's 'Stand Your Ground' Law Under New Scrutiny" (http://abcnews.go.com/US/trayvon-martin-stand-ground-laws-scrutiny-florida-shooting/story?id=15988474#.UBcK1bTcOJp)

Guest on National Public Radio's Morning Edition, March 23, 2012 – "Stand Your Ground Law' in Focus after Teen's Death" (http://www.npr.org/2012/03/23/149204405/stand-your-ground-law-questioned-after-teens-death)

Speaker, Teaching the Art of Persuasion, Legal Writing Institute One Day Workshop, December 2011 (Atlanta, Georgia)

Panelist, The Sex Offender Registry as an Example of Overcriminalization (an essay predecessor to The Invisible Man: How the Sex Offender Registry Results in Social Death), Overcriminalization Roundtable, 2011 Annual Conference of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools, July 2011 (Hilton Head Island, South Carolina)

Speaker, *Bootcamp for Legal* Writing, Continuing Legal Education Seminar, Paralegal Section, Florida Bar Association, August 2011(Orlando, Florida)

Speaker, From Looking to Seeing: Using Drawing Techniques to Access Visual Brain Systems to Improve Legal Writing Skills, Southeastern Regional Legal Writing Conference, April 2011 (Macon, Georgia)

Speaker, Basic Legal Research and Writing, Continuing Legal Education Seminar, Paralegal Section, Florida Bar Association, January 2011 (Orlando, Florida)

Grading Papers and Handling Student Conferences, Legal Writing Institute One-Day Workshop, December 2010 (Gulfport, Florida)

Speaker, From Innocent Boys to Dirty Old Men: Why the Sex Offender Registry Fails, Florida Legal Scholars Forum, November 2010 (Gulfport, Florida)

Speaker, Making Murder Legal: How Laws Expanding Self-Defense Allow Criminals to "Get Away with Murder" (predecessor to Deadly Combinations: How Self-Defense Laws Pairing Immunity with a Presumption of Fear Allow Criminals to Get Away with Murder, 34 Am. J. Trial Advoc. 105 (2008)), New Scholars Workshop, 2009 Annual Conference of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools, August 2009 (Palm Beach, Florida)

Speaker, Opening Statements and Direct Examinations, Continuing Legal Education Seminar, Ninth Judicial Circuit Public Defender's Office, August 2, 2007 (Orlando, Florida)

## Memberships and Academic Service

- Admitted to Georgia Bar October 2002
- Admitted to Florida Bar April 2003
- Stetson University College of Law, Institute for the Advancement of Legal Communication, Director (2023present, co-director 2022-2023)
- American Bar Association
- Journal of Law & Political Economy, Chair of Operations (2019-2023), Member of Operations (2023-2024)
- SEALS Writing Connections
   Programming Committee, Co-Chair (2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022 conferences)
- Association Legal Writing Directors
- AALS Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning and Research Executive Committee (2021-2022)

- Legal Writing Institute (LWI Lives cochair, 2020-2023; LWI Lives writer 2016-2019)
- AALS Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning and Research Awards Committee (2021-2022)
- Mentor, AALS LWRR Diversity Mentorship Program (2021-2022)
- Sirico Scholars' Workshop Governing Board (2021-Present)
- LWI 2024 Biennial Conference, Co-Chair for Programming Committee (2022-2024)
- LWI Research and Scholarship Working Group, Co-Chair (2024present)
- Savannah Bar Association

## **Non-Academic Service**

Trustee, Coastal Empire Montessori Community Organization 2014-2021

President (2015-2017 and 2018-2021)

Board Member, Savannah Classical Academy 2017-2021

Non-Academic Legal Work Experience

Hearing Officer, Disciplinary Tribunals, Savannah-

Chatham County Charter Schools 2017—2020

Contract Drafting for Attorneys and Firms 2008—Present

The Berenguer Law Firm, PA, Orlando, Florida Dec. 2007–Aug. 2008

Owner/President.

Berenguer Ragan, PL, Orlando, Florida Dec. 2005–Nov. 2007

Owner/President.

Elizabeth E. Berenguer, PA, Orlando, Florida Mar. 2005–Dec. 2005

Owner/President.

Office of Public Defender, 9th Judicial Circuit,

Orlando, Florida Nov. 2002–Feb. 2005

Assistant Public Defender.

### **LANGUAGES**

Fluent English and Spanish (reading, writing, speaking)