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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Legal Analysis, Writing and Research, University of Iowa College of Law
(August 2009 – present)

Teaching legal writing, analysis and research, focusing on persuasive and predictive writing; preparing curriculum; commenting on and grading legal memoranda and legal briefs; holding individual conferences with students on their writing; and conducting oral arguments.

Adjunct Lecturer, Legal Analysis, Writing and Research, University of Iowa College of Law
(August 2006 – May 2009)

Associate Director, Writing Resource Center, University of Iowa College of Law
(August 2006 – present)

Reviewing and editing a range of documents written by first, second, and third year law students, including memoranda of law, judicial opinions, briefs, journal notes, writing samples, seminar papers, and independent writing projects; holding conferences with students on their writing, providing guidance to writers for the long term as well as to meet immediate needs.

**Adjunct Instructor, University of Iowa College of Business,
John Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center**

(Fall Semesters 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001)

Teaching with another instructor the courses Entrepreneurship through Franchising and Seminar on Franchising.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Staff Attorney, ACT, Inc., Iowa City, Iowa
(May 2002 – August 2006)

Drafting and negotiating various types of contracts, including license agreements, state government contracts, and other general business agreements. Writing and implementing corporate policies and procedures, including trademark procedures. Implementing and advising a trademark selection committee. Drafting and providing training on a style guide for proper use of ACT's intellectual property. Researching and writing legal memoranda to senior management on topics affecting ACT. Developing form agreements. Advising senior management on international distribution and intellectual property matters. Managing litigation, including reviewing pleadings and briefs, and working with outside counsel. Staying abreast of laws and regulations affecting ACT's business, and advising senior management on such matters.

Corporate Counsel, ACT, Inc., Iowa City, Iowa
(January 2000-May 2002)

Drafting and negotiating various types of contracts, including license agreements, state government contracts, and contracts with industry and individuals. Advising ACT on all aspects of intellectual property law. Researching and writing legal memoranda. Supervising paralegal.

Associate Attorney, Meardon, Sueppel & Downer P.L.C., Iowa City, Iowa

(June 1995 – January 2000)

Advising small business clients in all aspects of business; drafting articles of organization, by-laws, operating agreements, shareholder agreements, and miscellaneous contracts. Drafting asset purchase agreements. Handling due diligence in large mergers. Working with clients developing new franchises; drafting corresponding franchise agreements and uniform franchise offering circulars. Researching and advising clients on licensing and distribution matters. Advising clients on trademark issues; registering trademarks with the State of Iowa and with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Researching and drafting memoranda to attorneys and clients on a variety of legal issues. Extensive drafting of pleadings, including motions for summary judgment, appellate and district court briefs, and tax protests.

EDUCATION

Legal

University of Iowa College of Law, J.D. with high distinction, May 1995

- Moot Court, Student Judge
- *Journal of Corporation Law*, Associate Editor
- Author: Commercial Landlords' Duty Upon Tenants' Abandonment – To Mitigate? *Journal of Corporation Law*, Volume 20, Number 4 (1995)
- American Jurisprudence Award, Torts; American Jurisprudence Award, Civil Procedure; Iowa State Bar Association Graduating Senior Award

Undergraduate

University of Northern Iowa, B.A. with highest honors, May 1992

- MAJOR: Finance MINOR: Journalism