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## Education

**University of Michigan**, Ann Arbor, MI  
J.D., May 2000  
Associate Editor, *Michigan Law Review*

**University of Illinois**, Champaign, IL  
B.A. in English, May 1995  
Dean's List, 1993-1995

## Teaching Experience

**DePaul University College of Law**, Chicago, Illinois  
*Visiting Associate Professor of Civil Litigation Clinic*, May 2017 – Present  
*Visiting Associate Professor of Poverty Law Clinic*, January 2011 – May 2017  
*Director of the Third Year in Practice Program*, January 2014 – Present

- 2016 DePaul College of Law Faculty Achievement award;
- 2014 and 2015 DePaul ENGAGE award (awarded to teachers who cultivate social leadership).

## Legal Experience

**Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago**, Chicago, Illinois  
*Staff Attorney*, May 2006 – August 2011

- **Practice Summary:** Represented clients in housing, consumer, employment, bankruptcy and family law state and federal litigation.
- **Trial and Appellate Experience:** Drafted state and federal complaints. Drafted and argued motions in federal and state courts, including motions to dismiss, summary judgment motions, and post-trial motions. Managed discovery in hundreds of cases, including interviewing witnesses, drafting and producing discovery, and taking and defending depositions.

First-chaired numerous eviction jury and bench trials. Represented clients in evidentiary hearings before the Illinois Department of Employment Security, the Chicago Housing Authority, and the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services. Represented clients in administrative appeals to the Circuit Court of Cook County and appeals to the Illinois Appellate Court.

**Sidley Austin LLP**, Chicago, Illinois  
*General Litigation Associate*, September 2000 – November 2005

- **Practice Summary:** Represented clients in commercial litigation including breach of contract, securities, product liability, aviation disaster, landlord-tenant, and reinsurance litigation.
- **Trial and Appellate Experience:** Drafted state and federal complaints. Drafted and argued motions in federal and state court, including motions to dismiss, summary judgment motions, and post-trial motions. Managed discovery in numerous cases, including interviewing witnesses, drafting and producing discovery, and taking and defending depositions.

Second-chaired breach of contract arbitration. First-chaired breach of commercial lease bench trial in state court. Worked on trial team in unjust enrichment trial in federal court. Prepared and argued pre-trial and post-trial motions. Prepared and conducted direct and cross examinations. Drafted and argued criminal and civil appeals to the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals.