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EDUCATION

Seattle University School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*, May 2008

GPA: 3.569; Class Rank: Top 10% (20/358); Dean's List: 2006-2008

Executive Editor and Staff Editor, SEATTLE JOURNAL FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE, 2006-2008

Extern, Justice Charles Johnson, Washington State Supreme Court, 2008

Research Assistant, Professor Robert Boruchowitz, Public Defense and Right to Counsel, 2008

Research Assistant, Professor Lorraine Bannai, Legal Writing, 2006-2007

CALI Excellence for the Future Award, Constitutional Litigation, 2008

Year-End Scholarship for Academic Achievement, 2006 & 2007

Public Interest Law Foundation Summer Grant, 2006 & 2007

Cheney-Metzger Legal Writing Scholarship Finalist, 2006

Moot Court—Administrative Law Competition, 2006; Appellate Competition, 2007

Access to Justice Institute, Community Justice Center volunteer, 2005-2006

Radford University, Radford, VA

B.S. in Communication; Minor in Race, Class, and Gender Studies, May 2002

Dean's Scholarship at entry; Dean's List

LAMBDA PI ETA, National Communication Honor Society, 2001-2002

Radford Women's Rugby Team, 2001-2002

EXPERIENCE

University of Wyoming, College of Law, Laramie, WY

Director of Defender Aid Clinic and Assistant Professor of Law, July 2018-present

- Board member, Rocky Mountain Innocence Center, July 2018-present
- Courses: Defender Aid Clinic and Forensic Evidence in Fall 2018; Defender Aid Clinic and Advanced Criminal Procedure (in collaboration with UW Department of Criminal Justice) in Spring 2019

Innocence Project Northwest (IPNW), University of Washington School of Law, Seattle, WA

DNA Fellow Staff Attorney, April 2017-June 2018

- Investigated, evaluated, and reviewed cases for innocence claims in Washington
- Represented prisoners across the state in efforts to obtain post-conviction DNA testing, including researching, writing, and litigating motions
- Conducted outreach and training for *pro bono* lawyers and prepared cases to be placed with community partners
- Conducted prison visits for case preparation, negotiated with prosecutors, and consulted with the Washington State Patrol Crime Laboratory on DNA testing viability
- Supervised and collaborated with law students from IPNW clinic on caseload
- Trained and supervised law student with Rule 9 status during summer internship in writing and arguing motion for post-conviction DNA testing in superior court (2017)

Washington Defender Association, Seattle, WA

DUI Resource Attorney (part-time), April 2017-June 2018

- Consulted with and trained public defenders and criminal practitioners across Washington state in the areas of pretrial and trial advocacy and forensic science
- Developed training materials and practice advisories related to pretrial and trial practice
- Assisted with amicus briefing to courts of appeal, including the Washington State Supreme Court

Padula & Associates, Seattle and Bellevue, WA

Associate Attorney, May 2014-April 2017

- Represented clients charged with felony and misdemeanor offenses in private practice
- Advocated for clients at all manner of proceedings, including arraignment, pretrial hearings, motions, probation hearings, sentencing, and jury trials
- Researched and wrote legal briefs and presented oral argument in courts across multiple counties
- Represented clients in administrative hearings conducted by the Department of Licensing
- Negotiated dismissals and plea resolutions with prosecutors in a variety of jurisdictions
- Interviewed witnesses, including expert witnesses, and investigated cases in preparation for trial
- Represented clients on appeal in research, writing briefs, and presenting oral argument in superior courts, Court of Appeals Division I, and Washington State Supreme Court
- Worked on a police misconduct/unlawful use of force case where a 1983 action was filed in 2017
- Invited to and participated in King County Department of Public Defense selection committee for Involuntary Treatment Act conflicts attorney panel (December 2016)

The Defender Association, Seattle, WA

Public Defender, Staff Attorney, March 2009 – May 2014, and summer Rule 9 Legal Intern, 2007

- Represented indigent clients facing a wide range of criminal accusations, including felonies and misdemeanors from arraignment to jury verdict and/or sentencing
- Researched and wrote legal briefs and presented oral argument before misdemeanor and felony courts
- Represented clients at jury trial facing serious accusations, including a murder charge
- Obtained Class A and Class B felony qualifications
- Received extensive training in pretrial and trial advocacy in representing clients from filing of charges to jury verdict and/or sentencing, including skills interviewing witnesses and investigating cases, research, writing and presenting motions, jury selection, opening statements, cross and direct examinations, jury instructions, and closing arguments
- Obtained vast experience and training in interviewing and cross-examining experts in many areas of expertise, including forensic toxicology, breath and alcohol technology and testing, psychology and psychiatry, DNA, fingerprinting, and other areas of forensic science
- Represented persons with mental health diagnoses who were involuntarily detained under the Involuntary Treatment Act of the state of Washington

PUBLICATIONS

- Lauren McLane, *Rejecting “Truthiness,” Revealing the Problem with the BrAC Measurand*, in *INSIDE THE MINDS: UNDERSTANDING DUI SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE*, 17-50 (Aspatore Books 2015-2016 edition)
- Ted Vosk, A. Robert W. Forrest, Ashley Emery, and Lauren D. McLane, *The Measurand Problem in Breath Alcohol Testing*, 59 *J. FORENSIC SCI.* 811-15 (2014)
- Author of five newsletters for WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF CRIMINAL DEFENSE LAWYERS DUI NEWS focused on forensic science, examination of experts, and jury selection, 2013-2015

PRIOR TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Taught public defenders and private practitioners at over forty Continuing Legal Education seminars (CLEs) or trainings on behalf of a variety of entities, such as The Defender Association Division, King County Department of Public Defense, Washington Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Washington State Office of Public Defense, Washington State Bar Association, Washington Defender Association, and Innocence Project Northwest in multiple counties and cities across Washington from 2011 to 2018
- Presentation topics included cross and direct examination of experts, pretrial discovery and investigation, interviewing witnesses, trial theory, strategy, and preparation, opening statements, jury selection, pretrial motions and issue spotting, and forensic science

ADDITIONAL RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Justice Charles Johnson, Washington State Supreme Court, Olympia, WA
Extern, Spring 2008

- Prepared motions to modify the Clerk’s or Commissioner’s rulings on petitions for review and other legal memoranda for the Court
- Provided legal research and drafting assistance for opinions, dissents, and assignments from the Commissioner’s office

Professor Robert Boruchowitz, Visiting Clinical Professor, Seattle University School of Law
Research Assistant, Independent Study, Spring 2008

- Assisted with National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL) project regarding misdemeanor public defense systems, including providing legal research on various systems in the nation and observation of courts in Washington
- Drafted report focused on the right to counsel and Rule of Professional Conduct (RPC) 3.8 as it relates to prosecutors communicating with unrepresented defendants that provided support for professor’s report to NACDL (published in 2009)

Professor Lorraine Bannai, Legal Writing Professor, Seattle University School of Law
Research Assistant, August 2006 – August 2007

- Provided research and support to professor for various projects, including legal writing assignments for students and the Encyclopedia of the United States Supreme Court (a national legal writing conference in Washington, D.C.)

Fremont Public Association (Solid Ground), Seattle, WA
Summer Legal Intern, Family Assistance Program, May 2006 – August 2006

- Represented and counseled clients in disputes with the Department of Social and Health Services regarding public benefits
- Negotiated settlements with the Department's Fair Hearing coordinators

AWARDS

- Awarded the President's Award by the Washington Defender Association for a Defender with less than five years of experience, 2013
- Awarded the Champion of Justice Award by the Washington Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, 2017

MEMBERSHIPS & VOLUNTEER SERVICE

- Member, QLAW—The LGBT Bar Association of Washington
- Member, Washington Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
- Member, Washington Defender Association
- Member, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
- Volunteer Board Member, Seattle/King County Coalition on Homelessness, December 2016-2018
- Volunteer, Girl Scouts of Western Washington, Cascade Challenge Weekend, 2010-2015