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EDUCATION

BENJAMIN N. CARDOZO SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, NY

J.D., June 2010

Honors: Senior Editor of the Moot Court Honor Society; Monrad Paulsen Scholar; Cardozo Public Service Scholar; Property Teaching Assistant, Criminal Law Teaching Assistant.

Activities: OUTlaw Executive Board; Cardozo National Lawyers Guild LGBT Committee Chair

WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, Middletown, CT

B.A. in Psychology, May 2001

Honors: Mystical Seven Honors Society (inducted 1998); Psi Chi (the National Honor Society in Psychology)

Activities: 8-to-8 Student Crisis Hotline, Listener and Trainer (1997-2001); Wesleyan Women's Rugby Team (2000-2001); Abortion Clinic Escort (1997-2001)

EXPERIENCE

MAINE LAW CLINICAL PROGRAMS

Civil Advocacy Teaching Fellow/Staff Attorney

Supervise student attorneys in the Prisoner's Assistance Clinic and the General Practice Clinic. Advise students on their cases. Review all student work product. Supervise students for court appearances. Supervise student attorneys when they meet with their clients at Maine Correctional Center. Plan outreach for the Prisoner's Assistance Clinic. Supervise students' preparation and presentation of know your rights trainings for incarcerated residents at Maine Correctional Center.

THE LEGAL AID SOCIETY NEW YORK COUNTY CRIMINAL DEFENSE PRACTICE

Staff Attorney 2010-2015

Represented clients on felony and misdemeanor charges.

THE LEGAL AID SOCIETY/ CARDOZO CRIMINAL DEFENSE CLINIC, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law

Intern, Student Legal Counsel, Fall 2009-Spring 2010

Represented clients on misdemeanor charges through an internship with the Legal Aid Society. A companion seminar focused on both criminal trial procedures and legal ethics.

DLA PIPER, New York, NY

Summer Associate, Summer 2009,

Drafted research memorandums for associates and partners, drafted FOIL appeals, participated in client meetings.

THE CRIMINAL APPEALS CLINIC, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law

Student Legal Counsel, Fall 2008-Spring 2009

Represented indigent felons on appeal. Researched and wrote appellate brief for a felony conviction pending at the Appellate Division and argued the appeal before the court. Client's conviction was reversed and remanded. A companion seminar emphasized writing and criminal procedure.

HON. KIYO A. MATSUMOTO, United States District Court Judge, Eastern District of New York

Judicial Intern, Spring 2009

HON. KIYO A. MATSUMOTO, United States Magistrate Judge, Eastern District of New York

Judicial Intern, Summer 2008

Drafted report and recommendation for an ERISA motion. Researched and prepared a memorandum in connection with habeas corpus petition. Researched indemnity and contribution claims among concurrent tortfeasors for a predatory lending settlement conference. Attended pretrial conferences, hearings and trials.

VICE DEAN MICHAEL HERZ AND PROF. EVA HANKS, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law
Research Assistant, Summer 2008-Spring 2009

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THE RICHARD AVEDON FOUNDATION

Program Director, 2005-2007

Archivist, 2003-2005

Managed artist's rights. Planned exhibitions. Headed archive project. Oversaw foundation publications, including catalogs and books. Directed internship program and educational outreach.