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Curriculum Vitae

Education

SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, Boston, MA

J.D., cum laude.

Honors: Best Brief Section Competition, Honorable Mention.

Dean's List. (academic year 1995-1996; summer 1995; academic year 1994-1995; summer 1994); WHO'S WHO: AMERICAN LAW STUDENTS. (1996)

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH, Pittsburgh, PA

M.A. in Linguistics.

TESOL (Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages) International Certificate earned in conjunction with M.A. in Linguistics.

MARY WASHINGTON COLLEGE of the UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, Fredericksburg, VA

B.A. in Philosophy. Minor in Romance Languages.

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa; B.A. awarded with

(1) high distinction, (2) final honors, and (3) honors in philosophy.

UNIVERSITE DE PARIS VII, Paris, France

Licence in Teaching English as a Foreign Language (French B.A.).

Teaching Experience

RICHLAND COLLEGE, Dallas, TX

Adjunct Instructor. Programs: American English & Culture Institute (international students) and English for Academic Purposes (foreign national U.S. resident students). Teach E.S.O.L (a variety of levels & skills). (2011 to present)

WESTWOOD COLLEGE, Dallas, TX

Instructor. Department of General Education..

Taught fundamental writing skills in developmental English course.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF RHODE ISLAND

Instructor. English Department.

Taught English as a Second Language and Developmental English.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Instructor. Center for English Language and Orientation Programs.

Taught English language skills in intensive English as a second language (ESL) program for academic-bound foreign students.

U.S. GOVERNMENT

Team Member/Instructor. Office of Refugee Resettlement Projects.

Taught technical ESL in Computer Graphics Training Program for Soviet refugees at RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE.

Taught basic and pre-vocational ESL in Intensive Vocational Training Program for Southeast Asians at COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF RHODE ISLAND.

RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE

Instructor. Taught Intensive Basic and Intensive Intermediate ESL.

ADULT EDUCATION

Instructor. International Institute, Cranston Adult Education.

Taught pre-vocational and literacy ESL in JPTA program.

CREDIT LYONNAIS INTERNATIONAL BANK HEADQUARTERS, Paris, France

Instructor and Curriculum Developer.

Taught Intensive English as a foreign language (EFL) (all levels) and Commercial English and developed curriculum for advanced level.

FULBRIGHT-HAYS FRENCH GOVERNMENT TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP

Teaching Assistant. French West Indies.

Assisted EFL teachers and conducted conversation groups at Lycee Polyvalent d'Etat Mixte de Bellevue, Fort-de-France, Martinique.

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

Teaching Fellow. Department of General Linguistics.

Taught Linguistics 150 (advanced introduction to descriptive linguistics required of incoming graduate students).

Teaching Assistant and Program Supervisor. English Language Institute.

Taught Intensive ESL (all levels, all skills) and supervised other teaching assistants.

**Legal
Experience**

LAW OFFICE OF B. THOMAS McELROY; JOHNSON & McELROY, LLP, Dallas, TX.

Attorney Pro Hac Vice and Paralegal.

Assisted senior attorney in products liability litigation. (1999-2013)

R. I. DEPARTMENT OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, Providence, RI

APPELLATE DIVISION: Law Clerk (fall, 1995; fall, 1996).

Performed research and writing for prebriefs and appellate briefs.

TRIAL DIVISION: Legal Intern (spring, 1996).

Represented indigent defendants in District Court.

**Research,
Conferences,
and
Publications**

Procedural Safeguards for Child Abuse Investigations: Requirements of the Due Process Clause. Memorandum prepared for the Rhode Island Affiliate, American Civil Liberties Union. (1997)

Child Abuse Investigations in Rhode Island: A Due Process Analysis of DCYF's Procedures. Memorandum prepared for the Rhode Island Affiliate, American Civil Liberties Union. (1996)

After-Course Autonomy: Helping the Learner Help Himself. TESOL-France Workshop, review. (1982)

Identifying the African Grammatical Base of the Caribbean Creoles: a Typological Approach, in HISTORICITY AND VARIATION IN CREOLE STUDIES 104 (A. R. Highfield and A. Valdman, eds.). (1981)

Presenter, Conference on Theoretical Orientations in Creole Studies, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, March 28-April 1, 1979.

Languages

French (fluent); Martinican Creole, German, Italian and Spanish (conversant)

Professional

Admitted to practice as an attorney in the State of Rhode Island (1996)

Associations Rhode Island Bar Association
Phi Delta Phi International Legal Fraternity
TESOL (Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages)