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**EMPLOYMENT**

**Legal**

**PACE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, White Plains, NY. Director of Diversity Initiatives (2009 – present); Associate Professor (1990-present) (tenured 1992)); Director Health Law & Policy Program 2001 – 2005; Assistant Professor of Law (1986 – 1990).**

*Academic experience:*

**Classes taught:** Bioethics and Medical Malpractice, Introduction to Health Law, Regulation of Health Care Professionals, Elder Law, Public Health Law, Constitutional Law Seminar (focused on freedom of religion), Contracts, Torts, Labor Law, Commercial Law-Sales, Great Migrations, and Advanced Appellate Advocacy.

*Administrative experience:*

**Director of Diversity Initiatives** -- I work with all law school departments, including Admissions, Student Services, and Career Development to further the ideal of creating an inclusive community. I assist student organizations with programming and events, and am available to faculty, staff, students and alumni to assist and support quality of life, curricular innovations, job opportunities, fellowships and all other issues pertaining to diversity. I also serve on faculty committees, and work with alumni and bar associations to further diversity awareness. Jeh Johnson, Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security and Dr. Robin Smith (“Dr. Robin), noted psychologist, spoke at Pace pursuant to my invitation.

**Director of the Health Law and Policy Program** -- I reviewed the health law curriculum, assisted with health law course offerings and scheduling, revised health law portions of the Pace Law School web-site and bulletin, and worked with current and prospective health law students in a variety of capacities. Experience also included serving as faculty advisor to the Health Law Society, a student organization.

**Additional Administrative Experience:** Served as faculty advisor to the Black Law Students Association; served on the following law school committees: Academic Standing, Admissions (Chair), Appointments, Dean Search, Lectures and Colloquia (Chair), and Self-Study (vice-chair). Other related experience includes serving on the Health Law Task Force, Diversity Task Force, and the Pace University Provost Search Committee.

**SARAH LAWRENCE COLLEGE -- Consultant Fall 2005.**

Advised pre-law students throughout the law school admissions process.

**ARNOLD & PORTER, Washington, D.C. Associate. 1984-1986.**

Assisted on projects ranging from communications (drafted and edited several chapters of Cable Franchising: A Local Guide to the New Law), to government contracts, to civil rights (helped draft amicus brief that was filed in the United States Supreme Court on the Voting Rights Act, and an amicus brief that was filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit in a school desegregation case).

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SIXTH CIRCUIT, Cincinnati, OH  
Judicial Clerk for the Honorable Nathaniel R. Jones. 1983-1984.**

Wrote bench memoranda, drafted orders and opinions, and observed oral arguments.

**DONOVAN, LEISURE, NEWTON & IRVINE, New York, NY. Summer Associate.  
Summer 1983.**

Worked in tax, real estate, litigation and trusts and estates departments.

**DEBEVOISE & PLIMPTON, New York, NY. Summer Associate. Summer 1982**

Legal research and writing in various areas, including tax, securities and real estate.

**TUFO & ZUCCOTTI, New York, NY. Summer Associate. Summer 1981.**

Legal research and writing on various aspects of the New York City zoning laws.

**Nonlegal**

**INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION, New York, NY. Systems  
Engineer/General Systems Division. 1977-1980.**

Provided technical support to the IBM marketing force to assist both in obtaining new customers and retaining existing ones.

**EDUCATION**

**Legal**

**COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, NY. Juris Doctor. May 1983.**

**Honors:** Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar  
Emil Schlesinger Labor Law Prize  
Columbia Journal of Law and Social Problems, Associate Editor  
Teaching Fellow – Property  
Best Speaker – First Year Moot Court Competition

**Activities:** Black American Law Students Association

## **Undergraduate**

**SMITH COLLEGE, Northampton MA. Bachelor of Arts. May 1977. (Economics).**

**Activities:** House President (Tyler House)  
Gold Key Guide

**Membership:** Alumnae Association of Smith College  
Black Alumnae of Smith College (BASC)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

*Surrogacy and Adoption: A Case of Incompatibility*, 20 Colum. Hum. Rts. L.Rev. 1 (1989).

*Products Liability and Preemption: A Judicial Framework*, 39 Buffalo L.Rev. 181 (1991).

*“A Lost Generation”: The Battle For Private Enforcement of the Adoption Assistance and Child Welfare Act of 1980*, 60 Cinn. L.Rev. 593 (1992).

**Co-editor, New York State Health Law Journal**, Published by the New York State Bar Association (1998 – 2001).

*Mainstreaming Complementary and Alternative Medicine in the Face of Uncertainty*, 72 U.M.K.C. L. Rev.593 (2004).

*The Modern Age of Informed Consent*, 40 U. Richmond L. Rev. 591 (2006).

*Obesity, Public Health and the Food Supply*, 4 Ind. Health L. Rev. 1 (2007).

*The Jurisprudence of Love*, 85 U. of Det. Mercy L. Rev. 495 (2008).

*Jurists for Jesus*, Widener J. L. Econ. & Race, <http://blogs.law.widener.edu/wjler?s=atwell> (2009-10).

*Nature and Nurture: Revisiting the Infant Adoption Process*, 18 William and Mary J. of Women and the Law 201 (2012).

*Is Sugar the New Tobacco?—How to Regulate Toxic Foods*, 22 Annals of Health Law 138 (2013).

## **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

American Bar Association  
New York State Bar Association

## **VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS**

Habitat for Humanity  
Children, Inc.

## **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

Share Hope Foundation, Treasurer  
Practicing Attorneys for Law Students  
New York Democratic Lawyers Council  
BASC (Smith College Alumnae Association)  
Nyack Public Housing Authority, Board Member

## **REFERENCES**

Available upon request.