

## EXPERIENCE

### **BOSTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**; Mental Health Litigation Practicum

*Clinical Professor*

September 2023 – present

- Co-developed and established the Mental Health Litigation Practicum in which law students learn the Mental Health Statute (M.G.L. c. 123), and litigate bench trials on behalf of clients facing civil commitment and involuntary treatment.
- Co-teach students providing weekly lectures on the law, trial advocacy, client relationship building, and development of trial skills.
- Supervise students each week in their representation of clients before district and municipal courts.

### **COMMITTEE FOR PUBLIC COUNSEL SERVICES**; Mental Health Litigation Division (MHLD)

*Training Director* – Training Dept., Boston, MA

April 2023 – present

- Develop and teach hybrid certification courses to train MHLD private panel and staff attorneys about the mental health statute and areas of trial advocacy to zealously litigate on behalf of civil commitment and guardianship clients.
- Design and deliver in-person and virtual trainings for both MHLD staff and private panel attorneys to refresh and hone trial skills, educate about emerging areas of substantive law, and support them to raise race in civil commitment and guardianship litigation.
- Collaborate with the Training Leaders Group in the Training Department to develop CPCS training needs, cross practice area trainings and CPCS Core Competency Training with staff, private counsel, clinicians, and with specialized units.
- Manage the MHLD Training budget and related oversight.
- Research, draft, and publish training materials, legal outlines, practice guides, and practice advisories.
- Supervise members of the MHLD Training Unit, including promoting professional development.

*Legal Training Rotation Attorney* – Training Dept., Boston, MA

July 2020 – April 2023

- Developed and delivered certification trainings, trial skills trainings, and trainings involving trial practice, advocacy and new areas of substantive law.
- Identified, recruited, and coached qualified members of the MHLD staff and private bar to plan and teach at MHLD training programs;
- Developed, taught, and presented anti-racist and race equity trainings for staff and private counsel as a member of the CPCS Racial Equity Training Team.
- Collaborated with staff and private counsel across divisions to develop and deliver trainings to empower staff and private counsel to provide holistic and zealous representation of CPCS clients as a member of the Holistic Defense Working Group.
- Directly supervised and managed legal interns assigned to MHLD and the CPCS Racial Equity Team.
- Designed, delivered and supported remote trial skills trainings fro panel and staff attorneys to zealously defend clients in virtual proceedings.

*Staff Counsel* – MHLD Trial Support & Oversight Unit, Boston, MA

January 2019 - July 2020

- Assisted the Trial Panel Director by managing and supervising the private panel and providing trial support to the panel on issues of trial procedure & advocacy, rules of evidence, and preservation of the record for appeal.
- Delivered trainings for the private panel to provide zealous representation for MHLD clients.
- Drafted practice advisories and model pleadings for use by the MHLD staff and panel attorneys.
- Initiated and managed communication with members of the Trial Court Department regarding the logistics of remote trial proceedings at the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic to provide critical guidance for staff and private counsel to conduct remote trials for their clients.

- Assisted with the administration of the MHLD Mentor and Regional Coordinator Programs.
- Developed the Legal Intern Program, directly supervised legal interns and managed the supervision of all interns in the staff offices.
- Provided legal counsel to psychiatric patients confined to facilities.
- Represented clients in civil commitment and authorization to treat hearings as well as guardianship proceedings during attorney shortages.

*Trial Attorney* – MHLD Staff Office, Roxbury, MA May 2016 - January 2019

- Represented clients in proceedings for involuntary civil commitment and authorization to treat by private and DMH operated psychiatric facilities.
- Worked with psychiatric and forensic experts to assist my clients in civil commitment proceedings.
- Represented clients in their appeals from involuntary civil commitment and authorization to treat orders to the Appellate Division of the District and Municipal courts.
- Delivered trainings to certify new lawyers to the MHLD trial and appellate panels.

**MENTAL HEALTH LEGAL ADVISORS COMM. & PRISONERS' LEGAL SVCS:** Dec. 2014 - April 2016

*Pro Bono Attorney*

- Provided pro bono legal assistance to attorneys and staff at MHLAC and PLS in litigation involving the delivery of inadequate mental health care to prisoners with severe mental illness being held in segregation.

**LAW OFFICE OF BEAU KEALY:** Hingham, MA September 2008 - May 2016

*Panel Attorney:* Member of the Post-Conviction and Appellate Panel for CPCS.

- Represented indigent clients in their criminal appeals of Municipal and District Court cases and Superior Court cases in Boston, Brockton, and Dorchester.

**COMMITTEE FOR PUBLIC COUNSEL SERVICES:** Boston, MA May 2006 - July 2007

*Trial Attorney* - Public Defender Division (PDD) Boston Trial Office

- Represented indigent clients in the Boston Municipal Court charged with misdemeanors.
- Tried two jury trials both resulting in acquittals.
- Argued motions including Motions to Suppress and discovery motions.
- Negotiated with prosecutors and probation officers regarding numerous pleas and admissions to sufficient facts.
- Drafted and filed pleadings including sentencing memoranda and reconsideration motions.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE:** Rockville, MD February 2002 – Dec. 2002

*Panel Attorney*

- Represented indigent clients charged with street crimes in Montgomery County Circuit Court.

**MARCUSBONSIB, LLC:** Greenbelt, MD September 2000 – Dec. 2002

*Associate*

- Argued motions, entered pleas, and tried state and federal criminal cases in MD, VA and DC.
- Drafted state appellate briefs and briefs to the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals (MD).

**CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY:** Rockville, MD August 1999 - September 2000

*Law Clerk to the Honorable Michael D. Mason*

- Assisted the Court in the analysis and drafting of rulings and opinions in civil and criminal cases
- Analyzed and researched legal issues.
- Drafted opinions and orders for Administrative and District Court appeals.

## **Other Work Experience**

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| South Shore YMCA, Hanover, MA: <i>Certified Yoga Instructor</i>          | October 2011– July 2016 |
| Norfolk County District Attorney’s Office: <i>Certified Legal Intern</i> | June 1998 – August 1998 |
| Montgomery County State’s Attorney’s Office: <i>Student Attorney</i>     | Sept. 1997 – Dec. 1997  |
| San Francisco District Attorney’s Office: <i>Certified Legal Intern</i>  | May 1997 – August 1997  |
| Montgomery County State’s Attorney’s Office: <i>Screener</i>             | Jan. 1997 – May 1997    |
| D.C. Appleseed Center for Law & Justice: <i>Legal Intern</i>             | Sept. 1996 – Dec. 1996  |
| American Civil Liberties Union, Washington, D.C. : <i>Legal Intern</i>   | May, 1996 – August 1996 |
| Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi: <i>Personal Assistant/Scheduler</i>          | Jan. 1994 – June 1994   |
| Connecticut Prison Association: <i>Art Assistant</i>                     | Jan. 1993 – May 1993    |
| Public Defender Service, Washington, D.C. : <i>Investigator</i>          | Jan. 1992 – April 1992  |
| San Francisco City Attorney’s Office: <i>Summer Clerk</i>                | June 1991 – August 1991 |

## **EDUCATION**

### **AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON COLLEGE OF LAW :** Washington, D.C.

J.D./M.S. in Justice, Law & Society, May 1999      J.D. GPA: 3.2      M.S. GPA: 3.75

- First Year Moot Court Competition
- Criminal Law Society, *President*: 1996-1997
- Domestic Violence Clinical Program, *Dean’s Fellow*: 1996-1997
- Constitutional Law *Teaching Assistant to Professor Herman Schwartz*: 1996-1998
- Spong Constitutional Law Interschool Moot Court Competition, Spring 1997
- Moot Court Exec. Court Board, *First Amendment Competition Director*: 1997-1998
- Domestic Violence Clinical Program, *Student Attorney*: 1997-1998

### **TRINITY COLLEGE:** Hartford, CT

B.A. in American Studies with concentration in Political Science, May 1993

GPA: 3.6

*Faculty Honors List*

- American University Washington College of Law Semester Program- Criminal Justice, Spring 1992

## **SELECTED PUBLICATIONS, WRITINGS & TESTIMONY**

**Cited Reviewer:** CPCS Mental Health Proceedings in MA: A Manual for Defense Counsel, 7<sup>th</sup> Ed. 2020

**Contributor:** Police Reform Working Group Rpt. regarding Resolution on Systemic Police Reform 2020

- Provided testimony to the MBA House of Delegates on the Mental Health Statement of Principles - Resolution passed unanimously, September 23, 2020

## **ASSOCIATIONS**

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| <b>Massachusetts Bar Assoc., Civil Rights &amp; Social Justice Section Council:</b> Member | 2018 - present |
| <b>MBA Police Reform Working Group:</b> Member   | Summer, 2020   |
| <b>Holistic Defense Working Group, CPCS:</b> Member  | 2020 – 2023    |
| <b>Racial Equity Training Team, CPCS:</b> Member   | 2021 – present |
| <b>Cross Practice Trial Skills Working Group:</b> Member                                   | 2023 – present |
| <b>Wellness Committee, CPCS:</b> Co-Chair  | 2023 – present |

## **BAR MEMBERSHIPS**

- Maryland, 1999 (inactive)
- Virginia, 2001 (inactive)
- Washington, D.C., 2002 (inactive)
- Massachusetts, 2006