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EDUCATION:

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Master of Science in Library and Information Science, May 2006

University of Nebraska College of Law, Lincoln, Nebraska, Juris Doctorate with Concentrated Study in Alternative Dispute Resolution, May 2004

Nebraska Wesleyan University, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, May 2000

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

July 2017 to Present – Associate Director for Faculty Services and Administration, University of South Carolina School of Law

June 2017 – Tenure awarded

July 2012 to July 2017 – Assistant Director for Faculty Services, University of South Carolina School of Law

Responsibilities include planning, implementing, and coordinating the delivery of research to law school faculty; developing outreach initiatives to introduce and educate law school faculty about library services; recruiting, hiring, training, and supervising faculty services research assistants; managing the facilities maintenance of the law library; coordinating, overseeing, and preparing reports and surveys for external and internal organizations and entities; and supervising the Law Library Access Services Department.

December 2006 to June 2012 – Access Services Librarian and Assistant Professor, Southern Illinois University School of Law

Responsibilities included managing, coordinating, and supervising circulation, interlibrary loan, document delivery, reserve, microform/audiovisual, and stacks maintenance; reference and instructional services to law faculty, students, and staff, the university

community, and general public; and teaching legal research to first-year law students.

May 2005 to November 2006 – Graduate Assistant, Illinois Fire Service Institute Library

Responsibilities included reference, circulation, current awareness, and interlibrary loan services to the faculty, staff, and students of the Illinois Fire Service Institute and Illinois firefighters; maintained and checked in periodicals; and processed acquisition orders.

January 2005 to October 2005 – Independent Research Consultant

Constructed research strategies for effective and efficient data retrieval; and investigated and clarified copyright issues.

August 2004 to October 2006 – Graduate Assistant, Reference Library, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Responsibilities included reference desk services; assisted the Interlibrary Loan department by finding hard to locate items that had been requested by University affiliates; prepared handouts and documentation for various projects; conducted library tours; and taught library introduction sessions for ESL classes.

June 2003 to June 2004 – Research Assistant, University of Nebraska College of Law

Provided research assistance for Professors John M. Gradwohl and William H. Lyons for their article titled “Constitutional and Other Issues in the Application of the Nebraska Uniform Trust Code to Preexisting Trusts” 82 *Nebraska Law Review* 312; Updated and corrected the fifth edition of Professor Rich Leiter’s book, *National Survey of State Laws*; investigated and gathered information for scholarly projects for law faculty; and interpreted various legal materials for law faculty.

October 2000 to August 2002 – Electronic Reference Assistant, Love Library, University of Nebraska - Lincoln

Responsibilities included reference desk services; performed moderate computer maintenance; and supervised student assistants.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

July 2012 to Present – University of South Carolina School of Law, *Legal Research In-Class instruction; Research Assistant Training; Advanced Legal Research course; Legal Research for Practice Workshop course.*

August 2007 to May 2012 – Southern Illinois School of Law, *Lawyering Skills course; Advanced Electronic Legal Research course; Independent Study faculty advisor; Legal Research In-Class instruction.*

PRESENTATIONS:

“Mentoring: How Giving Back Moves Your Career Forward” – Presenter, SEAALL / SWALL Joint Annual Meeting, April 2016; Forthcoming MAALL Annual Meeting, October 2016

“We Are Family – I Got All My Mentors and Mentees with Me”: *The Family Tree of Mentoring* – Presenter, SEAALL Institute, April 2014; MAALL Annual Meeting, October 2014

“You have learned well, Grasshopper” – *Mentoring and Preparing Students Interested in Careers in Law Librarianship*, Moderator, MAALL Annual Meeting, November 2011

MALLCO Roundtable for the Reference/Faculty Services Interest Group, Moderator, November 2011

Using LexisNexis Academic to Find Background Information, Presenter, September 2009

WorldCat Collection Analysis Webinar, Co-Presenter, June 2009

Practical Electronic Legal Research, CLE Program, Presenter, October 2008

Professional Development Workshop: Career Seminar, Co-Presenter, February 2008

- Topic: Business Etiquette & Social Networks

PUBLICATIONS:

Book Review, *Principles of Legal Research, Second Edition*, 108 L. LIBR. J. 464 (2016).

Co-Author, *The Mentoring Family Tree: How intergenerational concepts can inform and improve our mentoring relationships*, Spectrum (July 2015).

Co-Author, CALI (Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction) lesson on Illinois Secondary Resources, (Summer 2015).

MAALL/SWALL Conference Report on “Managing the Flow of Information into Your Office: Juggling Social Media, Productivity, and Sanity,” MAALL Markings, (December 2011).

Waters and Water Rights: Glossary, (Robert E. Beck, Editor-in-Chief, Lexis Publishing, 3rd ed., 2009).

Physician-Assisted Death: Four Views on the Issue of Legalizing PAD: A Legal Research Guide, (William S. Hein & Co., 2009).

Oh, What a Difference a Year Makes, MAALL Markings (Mid-America Association of Law Libraries Newsletter), August 2007 at 5.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & DEVELOPMENT:

University of South Carolina

- University Honorary Degrees Committee, Member, 2016-2019
- Faculty Senate, Senator, 2016-2018 (fill unexpired term)
- University Committee on Scholastic Standards and Petitions, Member, 2013-2016
- Women’s Mentoring Network, Mentor, 2014-2015

University of South Carolina School of Law

- School of Law Academic Technology Committee, Member, 2015 to present
- ABA Self Study Group on Faculty Research Support, Member, 2014-2015
- LLM Working Group, Member, 2013-2014

University of South Carolina School of Law Coleman Karesh Law Library

- Collection Development Committee, Member, 2012 to present
- Search Committee for Access Services Librarian, Chair, 2017
- Search Committee for Catalog and Serials Librarian, Member 2017
- Search Committee for Acquisitions Librarian, Member 2016-2017
- Search Committee for Reference Librarian, Member, 2014-2015, 2015-2016
- LibGuides Working Group, Member, 2015

American Association of Law Libraries

- Member, 2005 to present
- Annual Meetings Attended: St. Louis, 2006; New Orleans, 2007; Portland, 2008; Washington, D.C., 2009; Denver, 2010; Philadelphia, 2011; Boston, 2012; Seattle, 2013; San Antonio, 2014; Philadelphia, 2015; Chicago, 2016; Austin, 2017
- CONELL (Conference of Newer Law Librarians), 2007
- Leadership Academy, 2008

- ALL-SIS Faculty Services Committee, Member, 2013-2015
- RIPS-SIS Public Relations and Recruitment, Member, 2014-2016
- Management Institute, 2015
- PEGA-SIS Marketing Committee, Chair, 2015-2016
- Leadership Academy Mentoring Program, Mentor, 2015-2016

Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries

- Member, 2012 to present
- Annual Meeting Attended: Decatur, 2013; Knoxville, 2014; Dallas, 2016
- Annual Meeting Program Committee, Member, 2013-2014
- Strategic Planning Committee, Member, 2014-2016
- Membership Committee, Member, 2016-2018

Mid-America Association of Law Libraries

- Member, 2006-2012; 2014-2016
- Library School Liaison Committee: Member, 2007-2012; Chair, 2010-2012
- Annual Meetings Attended: Lincoln, 2007; Fayetteville, 2008; Columbia, 2009; Iowa City, 2010; Lawrence, 2011; Chicago, 2014

Mid-America Law Library Consortium

- WorldCat Collection Analysis Taskforce, Co-Chair, 2008-2009

The Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction

- Annual Meeting Attended: Chicago, 2013; Cambridge, 2014; Atlanta, 2016

Innovative Users Group

- Annual Meeting Attended: Chicago, 2010; Chicago, 2012

Beta Phi Mu – International Library and Information Science Honor Society

- Member for Life, 2006 to present

Association of American Law Schools

- Member, 2007 to present
- Annual Meeting Attended: New Orleans, 2013

American Bar Association

- Member (non-practicing), 2007 to present

Phi Alpha Delta

- Member, 2010 to present

Basic Mediation Skills Training, February 2008