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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA 2020 – present
Assistant Clinical Professor of Law
Director, Transactional Clinic

Established and designed the first transactional law clinic at the law school, which provides transactional legal counsel to small businesses and nonprofits in low-income communities and communities of color in the Greater Boston area. Provide year-round legal representation to clients, and recruit and screen potential clients for the clinic. Teach seminars and develop curriculum on subjects of secured transactions, corporate law (with an emphasis on community-based governance structures), community economic development, economic justice, professional responsibility, and theories underpinning community lawyering and transactional lawyering. Directly supervise law students enrolled in the clinic and enable them to represent clients in a range of transactional matters.

Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA 2017 – 2020
Clinical Instructor, Transactional Law Clinics
Lecturer on Law

Director of the Community Enterprise Project of the Transactional Law Clinics, which provided transactional legal counsel to low-income communities and communities of color in the Greater Boston area. Directly supervised law students representing clients in a range of transactional matters, including workshops, toolkits, and other popular education materials. Built relationships with community organizations for the clinic. Outside of the clinic, taught and developed curriculum on community economic development, worker cooperatives, community land trusts, and the solidarity economy.

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC
Juris Doctor, May 2008

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences, May 2004

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND TESTIMONY

Publications:

Carlos Teuscher & Kenneth B. Gould, Cooperative Housing, in MASSACHUSETTS CONDOMINIUM LAW (Moskowitz, ed., Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education, 5th ed. 2022).

Academic Presentations:

Presenter, “Movement and Community Lawyering in Transactional Clinics” at Transactional Clinical Conference, Boston, MA (June 2023)

Presenter, “Let’s Get Together and Feel All Right: Teaching Facilitation Skills in Transactional and Litigation Clinics” at AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, San Francisco, CA (April 2023)

Co-Facilitator, “Community Gathering: NPOs and Racial Justice” at AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Zoom (May 2022)

Presenter, “Representing Undocumented Entrepreneurs” at Transactional Clinical Conference, Berkeley, CA (May 2019)

Presenter, “Bridging the Public Benefits Cliff: Increasing Opportunities for Public Benefit Recipient Entrepreneurs” at Transactional Clinical Conference, Chicago, IL (April 2018)

Testimony:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Joint Committee on Community Economic Development and Small Business, public hearing on H.295, a bill relative to worker-owned cooperative enterprises (June 23, 2021)

Community and Legal Presentations:

Invited Presenter, “Worker Cooperatives and Worker Centers” in Boston, MA (May 2022)

Invited Panelist, “Public Interest Faculty Panel,” a virtual panel discussion sponsored by Suffolk Law’s Public Interest Law Collaborative (March 2021)

Invited Panelist, “Career Panel Series for New Lawyers and Law Students (Attorneys in Academia),” a virtual panel discussion sponsored by Asian American Lawyers Association of Massachusetts (November 2020)

Invited Panelist, “Let’s Get Clinical: A Spotlight on APA Legal Faculty and How They Got There,” a virtual panel discussion sponsored by Asian Pacific American Bar Association DC and affiliates (October 2020)

Invited Presenter, “Legal Issues for Worker Cooperatives” in Boston, MA (March 2019; October 2020; July 2021; May 2022)

Invited Presenter, “Food Business Accelerator Program – Legal Considerations” in Boston, MA (February 2019)

Invited Presenter, “Small Business and Non-Profit Legal Considerations” in Boston, MA (January 2019)

Invited Presenter, “Legal Issues for Worker Cooperatives” in Worcester, MA (December 2018)

Invited Presenter, “Equity through ESOL: Pursuing Economic Opportunity Beyond Immigration Status” in Boston, MA (April 2018)

Invited Presenter, “Engaging Immigrant Entrepreneurs and Small Business Owners Forum” in Boston, MA (December 2017)

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Dechert LLP, Boston, MA and Hartford, CT
Associate

October 2014 – July 2017

Advised and served as the primary liaison for clients in real estate finance, corporate and securitized debt transactions. Represented and advised nonprofit organizations in incorporation, tax-exempt application, and corporate governance matters.

Linklaters LLP, New York, NY
Associate

September 2008 – October 2014

Drafted and reviewed a wide variety of transactions and agreements on domestic and international acquisition, project, and general corporate financings. Led and coordinated presentations to clients on financing-related issues. Advised clients on global restructurings, including Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings.

FACULTY AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Suffolk University Law School

Clinical and Externship Programs Committee (2022 – 2024)
Law Faculty Policies and Procedures Committee (2023 – 2024)
Academic Standing Committee (2021 – 2023)
Ad Hoc Public Interest Law Committee (2020 – 2021)
Appointments Committee (2021 – 2022)
Clinical Orientation Planning Committee (2021)
Curriculum Committee (2020 – 2021)
Scholarship and Intellectual Engagement Committee (2022 – 2023)

Association of American Law Schools

Section on Clinical Legal Education, Transactional Clinics Committee, co-chair (2021 – present)
19th Annual Transactional Clinic Conference, Planning Committee member (Fundraising Subcommittee chair) (2023)

Supreme Judicial Court Standing Committee on Pro Bono Legal Services, member (2022 – present)

Cooperative Development Institute, Inc., Clerk and Board member (2021 – present)

Tomiki Aikido of the Americas, Inc., General Counsel, Corporate Secretary, and Board member (2013 – 2018)

COURSES TAUGHT

Suffolk University Law School

Secured Transactions (2022 – present)
Transactional Clinic and Seminar (2020 – present)

Harvard Law School

Community Enterprise Project of the Transactional Law Clinics (2017 – 2020)
Community Lawyering and Public Interest Law Through a Transactional Lens (2018 – 2020)
Lawyering for Justice in the United States (Guest Lecturer; 2019)

MEMBERSHIPS

Bar Associations and Legal Organizations

National Asian Pacific American Bar Association
Asian American Lawyers Association of Massachusetts
Cooperative Professionals Guild
Law for Economic Democracy

Community Organizations

Coalition for Worker Ownership and Power
Greater Boston Community Land Trust Network
Massachusetts Solidarity Economy Network

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York (2009); Massachusetts (2009); Connecticut (2015)