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EXPERIENCE

UConn School of Law

Visiting Assistant Professor of Law; Founding Director – Health Equity Clinic

Hartford, Connecticut
September 2024 – Present

Founding director of the law school's first Health Equity Clinic, a Medical-Legal Partnership between UConn School of Law and Hartford Hospital. The clinic is the first adult-based medical-legal partnership in central Connecticut designed to address health inequities borne by the regions' most vulnerable population.

NATIONAL CENTER FOR MEDICAL-LEGAL PARTNERSHIP

Consultant

January 2024 – Present

Plan and participate as core faculty for a series of webinars as part of work with the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). The National Center for Medical-Legal Partnership (NCMLP) is partnering with the Texas A&M University Institute for Healthcare Access (HAI) to offer a webinar series to support health center based MLP planning, implementation, and practice (PIP Webinar Series).

CONNECTICUT CHILDREN'S MEDICAL CENTER

Consultant

January 2024 – Present

Consultant to Connecticut Children's Medical Center (Connecticut Children's) team in creating and implementing a nationwide portal designed to provide assistance to transgender and gender-non-conforming children across the country through an opportunity to access resources, care, mental health services and legal information.

CENTER FOR CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY

Deputy Director

University of Connecticut School of Law
Hartford, Connecticut
www.cca-ct.org
April 2007 – September 2023

Responsible for general supervision, in conjunction with the agency director, of attorneys and staff at the Center for Children's Advocacy (CCA). Primary responsibilities include oversight of systemic legal interventions, including federal and state litigation and administrative complaints in areas involving education and access to health care. Administrative duties include organization and supervision of bi-weekly staff meetings, planning and overseeing the Center's healthcare and benefit packages, responsibility for tenancy and building issues for CCA, and directing the agency when the Director is away or out of the office for an extended period of time. In addition, governance responsibilities include staff liaison to board finance and personnel committees.

Medical-Legal Partnership Project – Center for Children's Advocacy

Hartford, Connecticut
April 2000 – September 2023

Project Director: Director for medical-legal collaborative designed to improve children's health outcomes through legal advocacy and policy reform. MLPP is a joint collaborative project between the Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Saint Francis Hospital & Medical Center, Yale-New Haven Hospital and the Center for Children's Advocacy at the University of Connecticut School of Law that employs a preventative, multi-disciplinary approach to improving child health by ensuring that families' basic needs are met. Direct advocacy includes individual case representation on poverty law issues such as housing, income support, disability rights, access to healthcare, and educational services. Project provides education and training of health care providers on the laws governing children's basic needs. In addition, conduct multidisciplinary policy advocacy on behalf of children and their families in collaboration with hospital medical providers. Oversee budget and funding responsibilities for project, as well as supervision of law student interns.

Case representation in individual and class settings on behalf of low income children at risk in special education, Medicaid, housing, Supplemental Security Income, public assistance and immigration matters. Systemic activity includes legislative and litigation advocacy in Medicaid, special education and disability arenas. Areas of concentration for systemic advocacy include provision of Medicaid coverage for medically necessary services; restoration of children's health insurance benefits and Medicaid coverage for legal immigrant children, and disability and special education rights enforcement in municipal setting.

Project Director:

Medical-Legal Partnership of New Haven – Yale-New Haven Hospital
Medical-Legal Partnership at Community Health Center, Inc.
Medical-Legal Partnership at the Yale Child Study Center

Facilitated opening of MLPP in neighborhood health centers in Hartford, Connecticut and primary care hospital in New Britain, Connecticut to establish further outreach and collaborative medical-legal intervention. Supervise and staff medical-legal walk-in clinic on-site at federally qualified community health centers, and conduct educational trainings for pediatric staff at health centers. Also provide direct service representation to patients of Community Mental Health Affiliates, Inc. in New Britain Connecticut as part of the MLPP at Hospital of Central Connecticut. Opened Yale-New Haven Hospital office in May 2013 and serve as project director. Opened MLP at the Community Health Center Inc. in 2016, and Yale Child Study Center MLPP in November 2020.

Senior Staff Attorney - Center for Children's Advocacy

April 2000 – April 2007

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT SCHOOL OF LAW

Hartford, Connecticut

July 1995 - Present

Adjunct Professor of Law: July 1999 - Present. Teach *Legal Profession*, a required upper-level course in legal ethics and professional responsibility.

Assistant Clinical Professor of Law: July 1995-July 1999. Lawyering Process Instructor for first-year students. Taught a comprehensive year-long course focusing on legal research and writing, legal reasoning, professional responsibility, interviewing, negotiating, problem solving, counseling and advocacy. Also taught Social Welfare Law seminar focusing on the history and present administration of government benefit programs.

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UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Farmington, Connecticut
November 2001 - Present

Clinical Instructor: Department of Pediatrics.

Train resident physicians and medical students in medical-legal aspects of interdisciplinary advocacy, including plenary instruction, individual advocacy and grand rounds presentations. Offer longitudinal elective with MLPP to pediatric residents. Activities include participation in team intake at MLPP sites, conferencing and participation in legal representation in team setting with law student interns and MLPP staff attorney. Conduct training in sub-rotations for Developmental & Behavioral Pediatrics, and Adolescent Medicine. Conduct bi-annual lecture/training at UConn School of Medicine for first and second year medical students.

YALE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

New Haven, Connecticut
2020 – Present
Member – Administrative Faculty and Staff

Program for Biomedical Ethics

THE LEGAL AID SOCIETY

Bronx, New York
August 1990-July 1995

Staff Attorney: Public Benefits and Housing Units. Represented clients in individual cases involving public assistance, food stamps, Medicaid, Social Security/SSI disability and unemployment insurance benefits in administrative proceedings, state and federal courts. Co-counsel in *Jiggetts v. Dowling*, city-wide litigation representing over 25,000 public assistance families challenging state shelter allowance benefits. Co-counsel in affirmative/class action litigation challenging federal food stamp eligibility and entitlement. Civil trial, motion and discovery experience in state and federal courts. Appellate experience in state court.

PARKER, COULTER, DALEY & WHITE

Boston, Massachusetts
September 1987-March 1990

Associate: Concentrated on personal injury, contract and housing litigation. Experience Included trials involving tort, contract and housing matters, with representation of plaintiffs and defendants. Discovery, deposition and motion practice in state and federal courts, as well as settlement and negotiation experience. Assisted in preparation of complex personal injury and product liability cases.

Member, Lawyers' Coalition on Affordable Housing and Homelessness

Boston, Massachusetts
1988-March 1990

Litigated housing-related cases on a pro-bono basis through clearing house.

Panel of Attorneys, Volunteer Lawyers Project, Boston Bar Association

Boston, Massachusetts
1988-March 1990

Litigated a variety of cases on a pro-bono basis.

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COOLEY, MANION, MOORE & JONES, P.C.

Boston, Massachusetts
May 1986-April 1987

Summer Associate and Law Clerk: Researched issues and wrote legal memoranda, complaints, discovery requests and responses. Drafted briefs and opinion letters in cases involving personal injury, divorce, corporations and real estate law.

BAR ADMISSIONS

Admitted to practice in state courts of Connecticut (1994), New York (1990) and Massachusetts (1987). Federal court admission in districts of Connecticut, Massachusetts and the Southern District of New York.

BOARD, COMMITTEE & TASK FORCE MEMBERSHIPS

Congregation Beth Israel, West Hartford, Connecticut. Member, Board of Trustees. June 2020 – September 2024. Member: Social Justice Committee; Anti-Racism Task Force

Office for Child and Community Health, Connecticut Children's Medical Center – Member of Advisory Board. September 2017 – Present. Participate on advisory board for the Connecticut Children's Office for Community Child Health which addresses critical contemporary issues in children's lives that have the potential to adversely affect their health and development.

State of Connecticut Statewide Care Collaborative, April 2017 – September 2022. Participation in state Department of Public Health sponsored group focusing on care coordination and medical home to provide support and advocacy to improve health outcomes for the state's most vulnerable populations

Alliance for Children's Mental Health. January 2017 – January 2023. Participation in coalition that seeks to ensure, through collective advocacy, that all children and youth have access to quality mental health services that are family-centered and culturally responsive.

City of Hartford Safety Cabinet. December 2013 – September 2023. Interdisciplinary group charged with the mission of to inventory the strengths and challenges confronting health care delivery to Greater Hartford's underserved communities and serve as a forum for leaders of the safety net sites caring for these communities to identify creative solutions and resources in collaboration with the Department of Health and Human Services.

Medical Home Advisory Council. March 2011 – Present. Multidisciplinary advisory committee directed by state Department of Public Health provides guidance and advice to the CT Department of Public Health in its efforts to improve the community-based system of care for children and youth with special health care needs (CYSHCN) by ensuring their connection to a medical home that is accessible, compassionate, comprehensive, coordinated, continuous, culturally effective and family-centered.

Department of Children and Families Children with Complex Medical Needs Task Force. May 2011 – December 2016. Develop training and curriculum for state child welfare agency to work with and assist children with complex medical needs in child protection context.

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ProKids Advisory Board, Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Hartford, Connecticut, 2000 – 2006.

Winding Trails Recreation Association, Farmington, Connecticut. Board Member, January 2002 – January 2006.

Farmington Youth Baseball League, Farmington, Connecticut. Board member, 2002 – 2011.

Farmington High School Baseball Booster Club. President 2014-15.

Farmington High School Boys Soccer Parents Booster Club. President 2016.

EDUCATION

LAW

BOSTON COLLEGE LAW SCHOOL

Newton Centre, Massachusetts
Juris Doctor, May 1987

UNDERGRADUATE

COLGATE UNIVERSITY, Hamilton, New York
Bachelor of Arts, May 1984.

ACTIVITIES

Varsity Baseball. 1981, 1982, 1984.

AWARDS AND HONORS

2020 Connecticut Law Tribune Distinguished Leader in the Law Award.

2011 Outstanding Medical Legal Partnership Award. National Medical-Legal Partnership Conference – Baltimore, Maryland, March 2011. Awarded in recognition of innovative work on behalf of vulnerable populations, and significant contribution to advancing the national medical-legal partnership movement.

2011 Health Care Hero Award – Hartford Business Journal. December 2011. Winner in Community Service/Policy Advocacy Category. Further information available at Hartford Business Journal website: www.hartfordbusiness.com/news21765.html.

PUBLICATIONS

Adolescent Health Care: The Legal Rights of Teens, Center for Children's Advocacy, Hartford, Connecticut. 5th. Ed. (2016). See <https://www.amazon.com/Adolescent-Health-Care-Legal-Rights-ebook/dp/B005DSU4MS>

"How Bioethics Can Enrich Medical-Legal Collaborations", with Amy T. Campbell, Paula Galowitz, Randye Retkin, and Stewart Fleishman. Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics (Winter 2010).

Center for Children's Advocacy: Providing Holistic Legal Services to Children in Their Communities. *39 Clearinghouse Review nos. 3-4 at 244-250.* With Martha Stone, Stacey Violante Cote, Christina Ghio, Ann-Marie DeGraffenreidt, and Lori Nordstrom (July – August 2005)

PRESENTATIONS

(Selected presentations from 2011 – present. Full list of presentations from 2000-present available upon request)

“Adolescent Health and Teenage Legal Rights: Addressing the Issues of Health Care Access.” June 21, 2011. State of Connecticut Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee Expert Panel Presentation – Connecticut General Assembly Hearing.

“Improving Outcomes in the New Fashioned Way: How Medical-Legal Partnerships Attack Childhood Illness;” June 28, 2011. UConn School of Medicine/Connecticut Children’s Medical Center Department of Pediatrics Grand Rounds, with Sarah Schlegel, M.D.

“New Media – Old Problems. Looking at Teen Legal Rights and Adolescent Confidentiality in a New Light.” October 28, 2011. Saint Francis Hospital & Medical Center Department of Pediatrics Grand Rounds.

“Improving Outcomes in the New Fashioned Way: How Medical-Legal Partnerships Attack Childhood Illness.” November 16, 2011. Yale University School of Medicine Department of Pediatrics Grand Rounds – Yale New Haven Hospital, New Haven, Conn., with Sarah Schlegel, M.D.

“From Mature Minors to Universal Screenings, What’s New In Children’s Legal Rights.” April 27, 2015. Yale University School of Medicine Department of Pediatrics Grand Rounds. New Haven, Connecticut.

“Who’s the Bully Now: Can the State’s Anti-Bullying Law Improve Pediatric Health.” April 30, 2015. University of Connecticut Department of Pediatrics Residency Program training. Hartford, Connecticut.

“Medical-Legal Partnerships: From Idea to Reality to Changing Pediatric Practice.” November 3, 2015. Baystate Medical Center Department of Pediatrics, Grand Rounds with Molly Senn-McNally, M.D.

“School Health, Confidentiality & the Law.” December 9, 2015. Hartford Public Schools Professional Development Lecture.

“Cassandra C. Revisited – The Ethical Implications of Minor Decision Making in the Health Care Context.” May 25, 2016. Yale University School of Medicine Pediatric Medicine Lecture Program. “Beyond the Rules into Practice.” July 20, 2016. Center for Children’s Advocacy & Division of Public Defender Services. Pre-service Contract Attorney Training on Ethics and Child Protection Advocacy.

“Medical-Legal Partnerships and Health Policy: Universal Screenings – An Advocacy Tale.” March 3, 2017, Yale University School of Law symposium on Medical-Legal Partnerships.

“Immigration & Children’s Health in the Current Landscape: Advocating for Your Patient in Uncertain Times.” April 28, 2017. Connecticut Children’s Medical Center symposium.

“Beyond the Rules Into Practice: Ethics and Child Protection.” Pre-Service Attorney Training, July 18, 2018 and July 31, 2019, UCONN School of Law.

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“Immigrant Health: Surveying the Landscape to Improve Pediatric Care.” American Academy of Pediatrics ECHO training, August 21, 2018.

“Moving Upstream: Case Studies on Partnering for Legislative Change.” September 19, 2019. Medical-Legal Partnership National Summit, National Harbor Maryland.

“Adolescent Confidentiality & the Legal Rights of Teens.” November 30, 2020. Hospital of Central Connecticut, Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology Grand Rounds.

“Health Equity & Pediatric Advocacy: Addressing Housing, Justice & Children’s Health Through Medical-Legal Partnership.” August 13, 2021. Connecticut Children’s Medical Center. Department of Pediatrics Residency Program Didactics Training.

“Parental Refusal of Screening Tests and Preventative Treatments: the search for a fair and coherent approach” September 22, 2021. Panelist – Yale School of Medicine, Yale Pediatrics Ethics Program.

“Beyond Dobbs: Reproductive Healthcare Access for Minors in an Ever Changing Landscape.” December 2, 2022. Connecticut Children’s Medical Center: *Ask the Experts*

LEGISLATIVE TESTIMONY

March 7, 2002. Testimony in Support of An Act Concerning Restoration Of Benefits And Services Under The Medical Assistance Program (S.B. 444). State of Connecticut General Assembly Joint Committee on Human Services. Copies of testimony available upon request.

February 24, 2004. Testimony in support of An Act Concerning State Assistance for Legal Immigrants (S.B. 326). State of Connecticut General Assembly Joint Committee on Human Services. Copies of testimony available upon request.

March 4, 2004. Testimony in support of An Act Concerning Restoration of Benefits and Services Under the Medical Assistance Program (H.B. 5530). General Assembly Joint Committee on Public Health. Copies of testimony available upon request.

March 22, 2005. Testimony in Support of Raised Bill 1323: An Act Concerning the Administration of the HUSKY Plan, Part A and Part B. General Assembly Joint Committee on Human Services. Copies of testimony available upon request.

March 7, 2006. Testimony in Support of Raised Bill 480, An Act Concerning Child Care. General Assembly Joint Committee on Human services. Copies of Testimony available upon request.

February 27, 2007. Testimony in Support of Raised Bill 1324, An Act Concerning Health Care Access, Quality and Family Support for Children With Special health Care Needs. Copies of testimony available upon request.

March 8, 2007. Testimony in Support of Raised Bill 7233, An Act Concerning Health Care Access For Children with Special Health Care Needs. Copies of testimony available on request.

February 28, 2008. Testimony in Support of An Act Concerning a Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Program. Copies available upon request.

February 10, 2009. Testimony in Support of Raised Bill 6152, An Act Creating a Catastrophic Pool for Medical Expenses. Copies of testimony available upon request.

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March 10, 2010. Testimony in Opposition to the Governor's Deficit Mitigation Plan. Copies of testimony available upon request.

June 21, 2011. General Assembly Program Investigations and Review Committee Meeting and Forum. Presentation to Legislators on PRI Committee as Expert Panelist.

January 29, 2013. Testimony for the Mental Health Services Working Group. Copies of testimony available upon request.

March 3, 2015. Testimony in Support of Raised Bill 1007, An Act Concerning Permanency Placements. Copies of testimony available upon request.

March 3, 2016. Testimony in Opposition of Raised Bill 5301, An Act Concerning the Prescription of Opioid Analgesics to Minors. Copies of testimony available upon request.

March 5, 2018. Testimony in Support of Raised Bill 216, An Act Concerning the Prophylactic Treatment of Minors with Sexually Transmitted Diseases. Copies of testimony available upon request.

March 19, 2019. Testimony in Support of Raised Bill 1053, An Act Expanding Medicaid and HUSKY B Coverage for Children. Copies of Testimony Available upon request.

March 11, 2021. Testimony in Support of Raised Bills S.B. 956 An Act Providing Medical Assistance to Certain Individuals Regardless of Immigration Status. Copies of Testimony available upon request.

March 25, 2021. Testimony in Support of Raised Bill 6662, AN ACT DECLARING RACISM AS A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS AND ESTABLISHING THE COMMISSION ON REACIAL EQUITY IN PUBLIC HEALTH. Copies of testimony available upon request.

March 9, 2022. Testimony in Support of Raised Bill 284, An Act Increasing the Age from Eight to Eighteen Years for an Income-Eligible Person to Obtain Medical Assistance Regardless of Immigration Status. Human Services Committee of the General Assembly. Copies of testimony available upon request.

February 14, 2023. Testimony in Support of Raised Bill 6616, An Act Concerning Expansion of HUSKY Health Benefits to Those Ineligible Due to Immigration Status. Human Services Committee of the General Assembly. Copy of testimony may be found [here](#).

OP-ED PIECES

"Protecting all children: Promoting health equity by insuring undocumented children." May 21, 2021, Connecticut Mirror

"We must expand HUSKY eligibility to undocumented children and their families." May 2, 2020, Hartford Courant with Julia Rosenberg, M.D. and Marietta Vazquez, M.D.

"How to provide children with food security, educational access, income support and health care access during the coronavirus." March 12, 2020, Hartford Courant

"Screening Kids for Mental Health Critical." February 4, 2013, Hartford Courant with Andrea Spencer, Ph.D.

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LANGUAGES

Conversant in Spanish