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EDUCATION

University of San Francisco School of Law, San Francisco, CA

Juris Doctor, 2002

HONORS & ACTIVITIES: CALI Award for Excellence in Environmental Law • Public Interest Law Scholar, Public Interest Clearinghouse • Foundation of the State Bar of California Imelda Rosenthal Scholarship • Arthur C. Zief Jr. USF School of Law Scholarship • World Wildlife Fund Internship, Bali, Indonesia • PRIDE Law Association President • USF Law in Motion Community Service Program Volunteer • Women and Poetry Project, San Francisco County Jail

Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

Bachelor of Arts, *cum laude*, Psychology, 1999

Dean's List; Psi Chi National Honor Society

EXPERIENCE

Terre Family Law, Santa Rosa, CA

2011-Present

Associate Attorney

FAMILY LAW: Represent clients in family law legal proceedings • Advise LGBT clients regarding second parent adoptions and dissolution of marriages and domestic partnerships • Draft agreements (marital settlements, domestic partnership settlements) • Participate in case study groups focused on changes in the law affecting LGBT individuals and couples • Present seminars and radio programs regarding LGBT issues in family law.

Lozano Smith, Santa Rosa, CA

2010-2011

Associate Attorney

EDUCATION LAW: Instituted legal outreach program to educate school districts and administration regarding LGBT issues in schools • Represented K-12 school districts, county offices of education, colleges, universities and government agencies • Mediated special education cases • Drafted and presented seminars regarding education issues • Advised clients regarding special education eligibility, assessments, appropriateness of placements and placements at private schools.

Northern California Family Law Group, Sacramento CA

2004 - 2008

Senior Associate Attorney

FAMILY LAW: Created specialty practice serving the LGBT community in family law issues • Served as lead counsel in civil court and family court • Advised clients regarding adoptions and the dissolution of marriages and domestic partnerships • Advocated for clients at court hearings • Drafted agreements (e.g., marital settlements, domestic partnership settlements, pre-marital and post-marital agreements) • Presented seminars regarding recent developments in family law and LGBT issues • Testified at legislative hearings regarding LGBT family law legislation, at the request of then Assemblyman Mark Leno and Senator Carole Migden • Represented Sacramento region on the State Bar Council on Access and Fairness, with the purpose of increasing LGBT diversity in the legal profession.

Molina Healthcare, Inc., Sacramento CA

2002-2003

Associate, Legal Affairs Department

Analyzed legislation and advised Board regarding medical issues in Medicaid populations in California, Utah, Michigan and Washington • Directed implementation of legislation within corporation • Drafted legal memoranda regarding corporate law, employment law and healthcare law issues.

Represented Human Rights Advocates in Geneva, Switzerland at the 58th Session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights • Presented written report to the Commission condemning international human rights violations, particularly, the illicit transfer of toxic and hazardous substances • Successfully lobbied delegates to support proposals for language additions to the UN Resolution.

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- *Outbeat Radio News*, KRCB-FM Radio, Guest speaker for four-part series regarding LGBT family law issues.
- *Jane and Jane Magazine*. Legal columnist for quarterly issues of lesbian magazine.
- *Sacramento Lawyer Magazine*, "Increasing Diversity in the Legal Profession". Author of article highlighting State Bar of California's efforts to increase diversity in the legal profession.
- *Understanding Transgender Law and Transgender Clients*, 2007. Contributing author/editor for State Bar of California Center for Access and Fairness brochure.
- *Journal of Law and Social Challenges: "The Role of Race and Sexual Orientation in Adoption Proceedings-Neglecting the Child"* 4 J.L. & Soc. Challenges, 41, Spring, 2002.
- American Bar Association Commission on Racial and Ethnic Diversity. Panelist for CLE program at the 2007 Annual Meeting.
- Sonoma County Bar Association, 2011 and 2012 Law Week Speaker
- U.C. Davis School of Law, 2006 and 2007 Coming Out Week Featured Speaker
- McClatchy High School, 2005 and 2006 Diversity Week Featured Speaker
- Assembly Bill 205 Community Seminar. Presented information regarding new family law rights and responsibilities.
- "What's Love Got To Do With It?" Panelist addressing interpretations of AB205.
- "Getting It 'Straight' For Domestic Partners." Presented information regarding LGBT parentage issues.
- The Christine Craft Show, KBFK-AM Radio, Sacramento, California, 2007. Panelist addressing AB 102/name change laws for domestic partners.

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AND AWARDS

- Positive Images, Board Member, 2010-2012
- Marriage Equality USA, Sacramento Chapter Media Contact, 2007-2008
- Marriage Equality USA, Sacramento Chapter Co-Chair, 2006-2008
- NCLR, Volunteer Attorney for Proposition 8 issues regarding signature gathering efforts, 2007-2008
- Marriage Equality California and Equality California, Sacramento Chapter Chair, 2002-2006
- Youth Lobby Days, Volunteer and Mentor, 2006 and 2007
- Sac L.E.G.A.L. Community Service Award Recipient, 2004
- Gordon D. Schaber Moot Court Competition, Attorney Coach, 2004
- USF School of Law Moot Court Competition, Judge, 2004
- Voluntary Legal Services Program Volunteer in Family Law Clinic, 2003

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- California Bar Association (State Bar No. 226809)
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California
- Sonoma County Bar Association, Family Law Section
- LGBT Law Section of the Sonoma County Bar Association, Chair and Founder
- Sacramento County Bar Association, 2003-2008
- Sac L.E.G.A.L. Minority Bar Association, 2003-2008

- State Bar Committee on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Discrimination, Communications Subcommittee Chair, 2007
- State Bar Council on Access and Fairness, 2007-2008
- Stonewall Democratic Club of Greater Sacramento, 2005-2008
- Sacramento Rainbow Chamber of Commerce, 2007-2008