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EDUCATION

Lewis & Clark Law School, Portland, OR

LL.M. *cum laude* in Environmental and Natural Resources Law, May 2012

- **Honors:** Recipient - LL.M. Environmental Leadership Award

Rutgers School of Law, Newark, NJ

J.D., May 2005

- **GPA-** 3.61 * Rutgers School of Law does not rank its students.
- **Honors:** *Rutgers Law Review*- Articles Editor; Dean's Merit Scholar

Rutgers University- Rutgers College, New Brunswick, NJ

B.A. with *High Honors* in English, Minor in History, May 2002

- **Honors:** Phi Beta Kappa, New Jersey Outstanding Scholar, Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholar, Rutgers College Dean's Award, Richard E. Gruen Memorial Scholarship, Rutgers College Merit Scholarship, Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society, Golden Key National Honor Society, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Dean's List- 8 semesters
- **Experience:** Rutgers University Writing Centers, *Writing Tutor*, September 1999- May 2002
- **Study Abroad:** Florence, Italy- Spring 2001
- **Visiting Student:** Fall 2010; GPA- 4.0; Took Environmental Science, Public Policy and Statistics classes.

EXPERIENCE

National Sea Grant Law Center at The University of Mississippi School of Law, University, MS

Senior Research Counsel, February 2017- Present; *Research Counsel*, June 2014- February 2017

- While an attorney with the NSGLC, gained experience in:

- Working on a Model Law and Regulations for State Watercraft Inspection and Decontamination Programs for the prevention of the spread of invasive species throughout the Western states of the United States.
- Assisting the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on research concerning the authority of the federal land management agencies to prevent the movement of invasive species on and off federal lands.
- Researching water quality and quantity issues as part as the Agricultural & Food Law Consortium, including issues with nutrient management, drinking water supplies, and interstate water disputes.
- Working on a team research report on the regulatory framework governing shellfish restoration projects in 21 coastal states for The Nature Conservancy (TNC).
- Researching the strategies available to access private land for the eradication and control of aquatic nuisance species in the Mid-Atlantic states with the Environmental Law Institute (ELI).
- Working on interdisciplinary teams addressing issues involved in the transport of crude oil in the Great Lakes Region and the threat of lead in drinking water in the Mississippi Delta.
- Working with and editing the writing of law student research assistants.
- Preparing internal and external grant proposals.

Editor- SEA GRANT LAW & POLICY JOURNAL

- Working with Editorial Board members on the selection and editing of articles.
- Working with and editing the work of outside contributors to the SEA GRANT LAW & POLICY JOURNAL.
- Overseeing law student editors.
- Coordinating the annual SEA GRANT LAW & POLICY JOURNAL Symposium Series Competition.
- Serving on Planning Committees for SEA GRANT LAW & POLICY JOURNAL symposia.

Law School Faculty Member (non-tenure track)

- Classes include: Natural Resources Law, Water Law, Public Lands, Agricultural Law, Fish & Game Regulation, and Environmental Issues in the Gulf of Mexico Region.
- Participant- Law School Faculty Writing Groups.

University of Mississippi Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College

- Developed and co-taught Fall 2016 undergraduate honors class on water security issues.

National Sea Grant Law Center/Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant Legal Program at The University of Mississippi School of Law, University, MS

Ocean and Coastal Law Fellow, June 2012-June 2014

While a law fellow with the NSGLC and MASGLP, gained experience in:

- Assisting the Texas General Land Office in rewriting Texas's federal consistency regulations under the Coastal Zone Management Act.
- Assisting the Town of Dauphin Island, AL on a climate resiliency study.
- Preparing an advisory request on Hurricane Sandy's effect on property lines in NJ.
- Preparing an advisory request on stormwater liability in Maryland.
- Preparing an advisory request on the provisions in the zoning ordinances of the coastal counties in South Carolina concerning the commercial use of docks on tidal creeks.
- Preparing an advisory request on whether a cost of production model for catfish on a research/extension website could be seen as an anti-trust price setting procedure among catfish processors.
- Serving as Co-editor of the SONREEL Newsletter for the Mississippi State Bar.

Law School Faculty Member (non-tenure track):

- Classes taught while a law fellow included Energy Law, Natural Resources Law, and Water Law.
- Participant- Law School Faculty Writing Groups.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Wildlife Refuge System- Division of Realty,

STEP- Research Analyst, Arlington, VA- Summer 2011; Telecommuting from Portland, OR- August 2011- May 2012

- While a STEP at the Division of Realty, gained experience in:

- Redrafting parts of the Service's policy manual, such as chapters on relocation and real property disposal.
- Assisting the Realty staff on various projects, including researching and summarizing the statutory authorities governing the Division of Realty's activities and training on how the Service allocates funding to land acquisition projects.
- Assisting Realty staff at a meeting of the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission.

Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP, 2 Wall St., New York, NY

Associate, September 2005- February 2009; *Summer Associate*, Summer 2004

- While an attorney at the firm, gained experience in:

- Attending meetings and doing research for the Environmental Practice Group as a summer and first-year associate.
- Working on a wide range of general corporate matters, including corporate filings, forming and dissolving entities, performing due diligence, and drafting documents such as by-laws and resolutions.
- Co-authoring a client advisory for the firm on SEC reporting requirements for smaller companies.
- Negotiating and drafting documents for the purchase and sale of distressed debt, including Purchase and Sale Agreements, Multilateral Netting Agreements, and Proceeds Letters.
- Representing banks serving as trustee of corporate trusts, including forming new trusts and advising the client when qualifying events under the trust occurred, as the lead associate on the corporate trust team.
- Working with the trusts and estates department on drafting wills, administering estates, and preparing trust accountings. As the lead associate on the administration of estates, tasks included wrapping-up the decedent's financial affairs, aiding in the preparation of the estate's tax returns, and communicating and coordinating with the estate's executors, beneficiaries, and the probate court.
- Volunteering to do pro bono work for WNYC Radio and the firm's Bronx Wills Project.
- Serving as a mentor to summer and first-year associates at the firm.

The Honorable James R. Zazzali, Supreme Court of New Jersey, Associate Justice, Red Bank, NJ

Judicial Intern, Summer 2003

While a judicial intern, gained experience in:

- Writing memoranda on civil and criminal petitions for certification to the Supreme Court of New Jersey.
- Researching and analyzing legal issues before the Supreme Court of New Jersey.
- Discussing the petitions for certification to and legal issues before the court with Justice Zazzali and his law clerks.

PRESENTATIONS

- *Beyond Dead Zones: The Impact of Agricultural Nutrients on Drinking Water*, University Council on Water Resources Conference, Fort Collins, CO, June 13, 2017.
- *Agricultural & Environmental Law Update for the Mid-South*, Fourth Annual Mid-South Agricultural and Environmental Law Conference, Memphis, TN, June 9, 2017.
- *The Regulation of Water*, Mississippi Water Security Institute, University of Mississippi, May 16, 2017.
- *How is Our Drinking Water Regulated?*, Mississippi Water Resources Conference, Jackson, MS, April 11, 2017.
- *The Environment: Where Do We Go From Here?*, Race and Sustainability Conference, University of Mississippi School of Law, March 31, 2017.
- *Mississippi v. Tennessee- The Interstate Dispute over Groundwater*, 2017 SEC Academic Conference, Starkville, MS, March 28, 2017.
- *The Legal and Policy Framework Governing the Movement of Crude Oil Through the Great Lakes Region*, Restore America's Estuaries 8th National Summit on Coastal and Estuarine Restoration and 25th Biennial Meeting of the Coastal Society, New Orleans, LA, December 14, 2016.
- *The New Normal: Adapting Law and Policies to Changing Environments- Projects from the National Sea Grant Law Center*, Restore America's Estuaries 8th National Summit on Coastal and Estuarine Restoration and 25th Biennial Meeting of the Coastal Society, New Orleans, LA, December 13, 2016.
- *In Legal Terms- Under the Sea*, Mississippi Public Broadcasting, University, MS, September 20, 2016.
- *Overview of Current Issues in Crude Oil Regulation*, Great Lakes Crude Oil Project, University, MS, August 17, 2016 (webinar).
- *National Sea Grant Law Center Webinar Series: NSGLC's Current Water Research*, University, MS, July 12, 2016 (webinar).
- *Using the Safe Drinking Water Act to Address Impacts on Water Quality*, University Council on Water Resources Conference, Pensacola, FL, June 23, 2016.
- *Cities, Oysters, and Groundwater - Current Interstate Water Disputes in the Southeastern U.S.: FL v. GA and MS v. TN*, University Council on Water Resources Conference, Pensacola, FL, June 21, 2016.
- *Water Quality and Quantity- Legal Overview*, Mississippi Water Security Institute, University, MS, May 18, 2016.
- *Something in Our Water*, University of Mississippi Green Week Panel, University, MS, April 20, 2016.
- *A Dynamic Case Study: Mississippi v. Tennessee- The Interstate Dispute Over Groundwater Resources*, Mississippi Water Resources Conference, Jackson, MS, April 6, 2016.
- *Engaging Lawyers to Facilitate Access to Private Lands for Eradication and Control of AIS*, Mid-Atlantic Panel on Aquatic Invasive Species Meeting, Lewes, DE, November 17, 2015.
- *Bad Law and Water Scarcity*, TEDxUM, Oxford, MS, October 31, 2015.
- *Legal Implications of Moving Crude Oil in the Great Lakes Region*, Great Lakes Basin Crude Oil Movement: Building a Multidisciplinary Research Framework, Chicago, IL, October 21, 2015.
- *Increasing Climate Resilience on Dauphin Island Through Land Use Planning*, Dauphin Island, AL, June 9, 2015.
- *Sea Grant Legal Network, We're Here to Help*, Sea Grant Climate Network Meeting, St. Louis, MO, May 11, 2015.
- *Introduction*, California Aquaculture Symposium, UCLA Law School, Los Angeles, CA, March 12, 2015.
- *Workshop on Invasive Species and Habitat Restoration*, Dauphin Island, AL, January 21, 2015.
- *Climate Resiliency on Dauphin Island*, Alabama-Mississippi Bays & Bayous Symposium, Mobile, AL, December 4, 2014.
- *The Development of Wind Energy in the Mid-Atlantic: The Legal Process and Lessons from the Cape Wind Project*, Regional Ocean Governance Symposium at Seton Hall University School of Law, Newark, NJ, April 12, 2013.
- *Climate Resiliency Study for Dauphin Island, Alabama*, National Sea Grant Climate Network Conference, Santa Monica, CA, March 13, 2013 (poster presentation).
- *Louisiana Asserts Extended Fisheries Management Boundaries: Legal Issues and Potential Impacts to Gulf Resources*, Alabama-Mississippi Bays & Bayous Symposium, Biloxi, MS, November 14, 2012.

PRESENTATIONS, cont'd.

- *Climate Resiliency on Dauphin Island, AL*, Alabama-Mississippi Bays & Bayous Symposium, Biloxi, MS, November 14, 2012 (poster presentation).
- *Legal Issues in the Gulf of Mexico*, Gulf Regional Coastal Zone Management Meeting, Spanish Fort, AL, October 23, 2012.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

- *Mississippi v. Tennessee- The Interstate Dispute Over Groundwater* (work in progress).
- *Is the Safe Water Drinking Act Protective Enough?* (work in progress).
- Stephanie Showalter Otts, **Catherine Janasie** & Paula Cotter, *Working Together to Combat Invasive Species Threats: Strategies for Facilitating Cooperation between the National Park Service and States*, 56:1 NATURAL RESOURCES JOURNAL 117 (2016).
- *State Fertilizer Bills: The Greenest Way to a More Natural Landscape?*, 13:1 RUTGERS JOURNAL OF LAW & PUBLIC POLICY (2015).
- *Climate Resiliency on Dauphin Island, AL*, 6.2 SEA GRANT LAW & POLICY JOURNAL 54 (2014).
- *Oyster Mortality Due to Freshwater Diversions in the Deepwater Horizon Response Effort- Are Takings Claims Viable?* 19 OCEAN AND COASTAL LAW JOURNAL 29 (2013).
- *The Development of Wind Energy in the Mid-Atlantic: The Legal Process and Lessons from the Cape Wind Project*, 6.1 SEA GRANT LAW & POLICY JOURNAL 116 (2013).

MINOR PUBLICATIONS

- *The Second Circuit's Water Transfers Ruling: Victory for New York City's Drinking Water Provider or a Threat to the Nation's Water Quality?*, 16:2 SANDBAR 13 (2017).
- *What is the Status of the Water Crisis in Flint?*, 16:1 SANDBAR 9 (2017).
- *Waukesha Diversion Approved Under the Great Lakes Compact*, 15:4 SANDBAR 12 (2016).
- *The Flint Water Crisis- Is Anyone Legally to Blame?*, 15:2 SANDBAR 4 (2016).
- *Florida's Oyster Industry Continues to Struggle*, 34:1 WATER LOG 3 (2014).
- *Development of Offshore Wind in the United States and Gulf of Mexico: 2013 Update*, 34:1 WATER LOG 10 (2014).
- *Koontz and Decker: A Supreme Court Preview*, 13:1 NewsREEL 7 (2013) (SONREEL Newsletter).
- *Fifth Circuit Reverses Contempt Finding in Drilling Moratorium Litigation*, 33:2 WATER LOG 10 (2013).
- *Koontz and Decker: A Supreme Court Preview*, 33:1 WATER LOG 13 (2013).
- *Tri-State Water Wars Continue as Florida Sees Declining Oyster Populations*, 32:4 WATER LOG 3 (2012).
- *Congress Passes the RESTORE Act*, 32:3 WATER LOG 5 (2012).
- *Supreme Court to Decide if Temporary Flooding Is a Taking*, 32:3 WATER LOG 9 (2012).

ATTORNEY ADMISSIONS

- State: New York, New Jersey
- Federal: Southern District of New York, Eastern District of New York, District of New Jersey

SERVICE

American Bar Association – Member

- Newsletter Vice Chair, Marine Resources Committee of the Section of Environment, Energy & Resources (SEER)

University of Mississippi Water Security Institute - Advisory Board Member

- Worked with the University of Mississippi Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College on developing the Water Security Institute.
- Presented at May 2016 and May 2017 Institutes.

TEDxUM- Speaker (2015), Planning Committee Member (2016)

- Chosen from over 50 nominees to speak at inaugural TEDxUM.