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Education

University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Master of Library and Information Science, 2025

Certificate in Law Librarianship

Washburn University School of Law, Topeka, KS

Juris Doctor, 2007

Certificate in Natural Resources Law

Moot Court Council: Secretary; Pace Environmental Law Moot Court Competition Participant

Editor, *Family Law Quarterly*

Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah

Bachelor of Arts, English, 2003; Minors in Editing, Political Science, and Conservation Biology

Award Recipient, Vera Hinkley Mayhew Short Story Contest, Honorable Mention

Raising a Voice: Developing a Concerned, Environmental Ethic in a University Setting, 3 Borrowed Earth Journal 47 (2003)

Licenses

Utah Bar License: Licensed Attorney, #15297; active since 2014

Oregon Bar License: Licensed Attorney, #121000; active from 2012-2014; currently inactive

Kansas Bar License: Licensed Attorney, # 23234; active from 2007-2011; currently inactive

Law Library Experience

Faculty Law Librarian, Howard W. Hunter Law Library, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah (Sept. 2024-present)

- Foreign, Comparative, International Law Librarian, tenure-track law library faculty member with the rank of an assistant law librarian
 - Teach legal research to 1L and LLM and law students
 - Support research efforts of doctrinal law faculty
 - Support student research (emphasis on FCIL research)
 - Maintain and develop foreign and international collection
 - Provide legal research instruction on FCIL topics to faculty and students

Gallagher Law Library Intern, University of Washington (October 2023-August 2024)

- Delivered research and reference services to faculty, students, and the public; conducted reference interviews and tailoring responses to patron needs
- Utilized diverse legal and non-legal databases to support multidisciplinary research collaborations with librarians and faculty

Professional Experience

Staff Attorney, Timpanogos Legal Center (July 2016–present)

- Provide legal advice to clinic clients on family law, landlord/tenant law, probate law, debtor/creditor law, and small claims issues

- Mentor law students and volunteer attorneys at legal advice clinics and with legal document drafting
- Draft litigation documents including motions, petitions, responses and counterclaims
- Perform legal research for client cases using free and subscription legal research tools
- Present at CLEs and other legal trainings

Research Development Director, Brigham Young University (July 2020–September 2024)

- Led university-wide strategies to increase external grant funding, including strategic planning with senior leadership, funder outreach, and cross-campus/external research collaborations
- Designed and delivered faculty development programs, including grant-writing seminars, research conferences, and a formal grant-writing curriculum for students
- Directed administration of major internal grant programs and oversaw compliance reviews for external grants and contracts
- Managed and developed a team of grant specialists; created policies and procedures to support research growth and ensure legal compliance in higher education research

Research Development Specialist, College of Family, Home, and Social Sciences, Brigham Young University (February 2015-2020)

- Identified research funding for individual faculty members, research groups and graduate students
- Reviewed and edited faculty and student grant proposals for large external grants
- Developed and taught faculty and graduate students’ seminars on writing successful grant and fellowship proposals

Adjunct Faculty, Department of English Language, Brigham Young University (Aug. 2014–Dec. 2014)

- Taught ELANG 350, Basic Editing Skills: an undergraduate class focused on English grammar and usage for students seeking work as professional editors
- Led class discussions, supervised group work, assigned and graded papers, and provided feedback and mentoring to the students

Attorney, Senior Law Clinic, Lane County Legal Aid, Eugene, Oregon (2012 – 2013)

- Counseled with elderly clients regarding issues including discriminatory housing practices, landlord/tenant disputes, Social Security, and testamentary documents
- Researched and drafted housing petitions, living wills, power of attorney, estate plans, lease agreements, guardianship petitions, and advance directives

Research Faculty, Department of Early Intervention, University of Oregon (2010–2013)

- Researched and developed policy in the Early Intervention Program (EIP) with funding from the CDC
- Mentored graduate students on research projects and taught lectures on educational law and policy
- Ensured compliance with grant requirements; presented research findings to stakeholders

Attorney, Office of the Revisor of Statutes, Kansas State Legislature, Topeka, Kansas (2007–2010)

- Drafted bills and resolutions for committees and individual members of the Kansas State Legislature; wrote committee and floor amendments
- Provided legal advice on the legislation to members of the legislature in the form of memos and explanatory narratives to accompany the legislation
- Annotated and published the Kansas Statutes Annotated and attended various interim committees and working groups

Law School Teaching and Lecturing
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Law School Courses

- Professor, *Introduction to Advocacy* (LAW 546), BYU Law, Winter Semester, 2026

- Professor, *Legal Research and Writing* (LAW 545), BYU Law, Fall Semester, 2025
- Professor, *LLM Legal Research* (LAW 796R), BYU Law, Fall Semester, 2025

Law School Seminars and Workshops:

- Presenter, *Researching War Crimes, Genocide, and Crimes Against Humanities*, BYU Law, February 27, 2026 (forthcoming)
- Presenter, *International Criminal Court Research Seminar*, BYU Law, January 30, 2026 (forthcoming)
- Guest Lecturer, *Scholarly Writing* (LAW 796R), BYU Law, January 26, 2025 (forthcoming)
- Presenter, *Turning a Good Idea into a Competitive Grant Proposal*, BYU Law, January 22, 2026 (forthcoming)
- Guest Lecturer, *Global Law Seminar*, (LAW 795R), BYU Law, November 21, 2025
- Presenter, *International Law and Human Rights Research*, BYU Law, November 7, 2025
- Guest Lecturer, *Clinical Alliance* (LAW 780R), BYU Law, November 4, 2025
- Presenter, *Grant Funding for Research, Travel, and Students*, BYU Law, October 28, 2025
- Presenter, *Legal Research in Common Law Jurisdictions*, BYU Law, October 24, 2025
- Presenter, *Researching Legal Documents of the United Nations and European Union*, BYU Law, October 3, 2025
- Presenter, *Treaties and Related Documents*, BYU Law, September 26, 2025
- Guest Lecturer, *Scholarly Writing* (LAW 796R), BYU Law, September 15, 2025
- Presenter, *Research in Civil Law, Mixed and Religious Jurisdictions*, BYU Law, Sept.12, 2025
- Presenter, *International Courts and Tribunals*, BYU Law, August 29, 2025
- Guest Lecturer, *Global Law Seminar*, (LAW 795R), BYU Law, August 21, 2025
- Guest Lecturer, *U.S. Legal Vocabulary*, LLM Orientation, BYU Law, August 4, 2025
- Guest Lecturer, *Advanced Legal Research* (LAW 796R), BYU Law, March 3, 2025
- Guest Lecturer, *Scholarly Writing* (LAW 796R), BYU Law, January 27, 2025
- Guest Lecturer, *Clinical Alliance* (LAW 780R), BYU Law, January 22, 2025
- Guest Lecturer, *Scholarly Writing* (LAW 796R), BYU Law, January 15, 2025
- Guest Lecturer, *Global Law Seminar* (LAW 795R), BYU Law, November 22, 2024
- Guest Lecturer, *Legal Research and Writing* (LAW 720), BYU Law, November 18, 2024
- Presenter, *International Law and Human Rights Research*, BYU Law, September 23, 2024

Publications

- Kristen Clarke Kellems, “Paper Satellites and the Free Use of Outer Space” *GlobaLex*, Hauser Global Law School Program, NYU School of Law, February 2026 (forthcoming).
- Kristen Clarke Kellems, "Using Generative AI to Support Curriculum-Responsive Collection Development.” *FCIL-SIS Quarterly Newsletter*, Foreign, Comparative & International Law Special Interest Section, American Association of Law Libraries, (forthcoming in vol. 40, no. 2, February 2026).

Editorships

- Editor, “Blessing of Freedom of Religion: Celebrating 25 Years of the International Center of Law and Religious Studies” book (October 7, 2025).
- Editor, American Association of Law Libraries Foreign, Comparative, and International Law Newsletter (published quarterly), (February 2025 to present)
- Editor, *Hunter’s Query*, BYU Law Library Blog (published twice monthly), (October 2024 to present)

Academic Presentations

- *Code Meets Code: Benchmarking Statutory Research by GenAI*, American Association of Law Libraries Annual Conference (forthcoming July 18, 2026) (with Shawn Nevers and Stephanie Davidson)
- *Using Generative AI to Support Curriculum-Responsive Collection Development*, NELLCO Virtual Symposium (forthcoming April 13, 2026)
- *Beyond Accommodation: Creating Classrooms that Embrace Neurodiversity*, NELLCO Virtual Symposium (forthcoming April 13, 2026) (with Annalee Hickman Pierson)
- *Beyond Accommodation: Creating Classrooms that Embrace Neurodiversity*, Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference forthcoming (March 13, 2026) (with Annalee Hickman Pierson)
- *Beyond Accommodation: Creating Classrooms that Embrace Neurodiversity*, Teaching for Learning (T4L) Conference forthcoming February 26, 2026 (with Annalee Hickman Pierson)
- *Using Generative AI to Support Curriculum-Responsive Collection Development*, Utah Academic Libraries Conference (October 17, 2025)
- *Code Meets Code: Benchmarking Statutory Research by GenAI*, American Association of Law Libraries WestPac Conference (October 10, 11 2025) (with Shawn Nevers)
- *Empowering Neurodivergent and ESL Legal Research Students: Inclusive Practices in the Era of Generative AI*, BYU Law/University of Utah Law Joint Teaching Workshop (May 20, 2025) (with Annalee Hickman Pierson)
- *Empowering Neurodivergent and ESL Legal Research Students: Inclusive Practices in the Era of Generative AI*, Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference (March 2025) (with Annalee Hickman Pierson)
- *If the Program Fits, Use It! Adapting RD Programming to Fit Institutional Needs*, poster presentation, National Organization for Research Development Professionals Conference (Bellevue, Washington, April 2024)
- *Beyond Email: Effective Branding and Marketing for your Research Development Office*, National Organization for Research Development Professionals Virtual Conference, poster presentation, (Bellevue, Washington, April 2024)
- *Beyond Email: Effective Branding and Marketing for your Research Development Office*, National Organization for Research Development Professionals Virtual Conference (November 2023)
- *If the Program Fits, Use It! Adapting RD Programming to Fit Institutional Needs*, National Organization for Research Development Professionals Virtual Conference (November 2023)
- *A Roadmap for Strategic Growth: BYU's journey to expand faculty research capacity*, National Organization for Research Development Professionals Conference (Arlington, VA, May 2023)
- *A Roadmap for Strategic Growth: BYU's journey to expand faculty research capacity*, Society of Research Administrators International Symposium (Las Vegas, NV November 2022)
- *Strategically Grow Your Campus Research Culture with Faculty Influencers*, National Organization for Research Development Professionals Conference (held virtually June 2020)
- *The Agony and the Ecstasy: Helping Faculty Connect with Program Officers*, National Organization for Research Development Professionals Conference (held virtually June 2020)

Legal Presentations

- *Advocating for Civil Portions of Protective Orders*, presentation to the Certified Advocate Partners Program, January 23, 2025

- *What to know about Adult Guardianship for Young Disabled Adults*, CPSE 690R, Seminar in Secondary Transition, March 27, 2023
- *What Attorneys Should Know About Community Resources for DV Victims*, 2 CLE credit hours, February 9, 2023
- *Modification, Dismissal, and Enforcement of Protective Orders*, presentation to the Certified Advocate Partners Program, October 27, 2022, and October 27, 2023
- *Coaching Your Client for Self-Representation at a Protective Order Hearing*, presentation to the Certified Advocate Partners Program, October 20, 2022
- *Advising a Victim of Domestic Violence in a Family Law and Protective Order Case*, 2 CLE credit hours, October 6, 2022
- *Understanding the Case Law on Protective Orders: A Review of Utah Cases*, 2 CLE credit hours, March 25, 2022
- *Guardianship Process for Minors and Adults*, presented to Grand Families, January 5, 2022
- *Intersection of Civil Protective Orders and Family Law*, presentation to the Certified Advocate Partners Program, May 26, 2021
- *Understanding Procedural Rules in Family Law Cases*, 2 Credit Hour CLE, sponsored by Timpanogos Legal Center, March 19, 2021 and March 22, 2023
- *Special Issues in Representing Victims of Domestic Violence in Family Law Cases*, 3 CLE credit hours, sponsored by Timpanogos Legal Center, March 12, 2021
- *Advocating for Legal Remedies and Protections for Survivors*, Utah Domestic Violence Coalition Core Advocacy Training, June 2018
- *Utah's Criminal Justice Response to Interpersonal Violence*, Utah Domestic Violence Coalition, Core Advocacy Training, June 2018

Creative Endeavors

- Creator, Freedom of Religion, BYU Law Library Research Guide, <https://guides.law.byu.edu/freedom-of-religion>
- Creator, Human Rights, BYU Law Library Research Guide, <https://guides.law.byu.edu/c.php?g=1474477>
- Revisor, Canada Legal Resources, BYU Law Library Research Guide, <https://guides.law.byu.edu/canada>
- Revisor, Australia Legal Resources, BYU Law Library Research Guide, <https://guides.law.byu.edu/australia>
- Revisor, Philippines Legal Resources, BYU Law Library Research Guide, <https://guides.law.byu.edu/philippines>
- Revisor, Argentina Legal Resources, BYU Law Library Research Guide, <https://guides.law.byu.edu/argentina>
- Creator, Tanzania Legal Resources, BYU Law Library Research Guide, <https://guides.law.byu.edu/c.php?g=1484504>
- Revisor, The Gambia Legal Resources, BYU Law Library Research Guide, <https://guides.law.byu.edu/c.php?g=1484515>
- Writer, *Hunter's Query*, BYU Law Library Blog (published twice monthly), (October 2024 to present)

Committees and Service

- Member, Utah Academic Library Conference Committee (Fall 2025)
- Member, Digital Services Librarian Hiring Committee, BYU Law Library (Spring 2025)

- Member, American Association of Law Librarians-Foreign, Comparative, and International Law Newsletter/Blog Committee (October 2024 to present)
- Representative, Fulbright Scholar Program, Council for International Exchange of Scholars, BYU (2015 to 2024)
- Representative, Region 4 Member Services Committee, National Organization for Research Development Professionals (May 2017 to 2024)
- Mentoring Committee, National Organization for Research Development Professionals (May 2015-2017)

Grants

- Co-PI applicant, “Empowering Neurodivergent and English as a Second Language Legal Research Students in the Era of GenAI” Eliza R. Snow Research Grant (October 2025)
- Co-PI, “Empowering Neurodivergent and English as a Second Language Legal Research Students in the Era of GenAI” funded by the American Association of Law Librarians LexisNexis Research Grant (June 2025)
- Collaborator, “Benchmarks for Education Screening and Testing (BEST)” funded by the Centers for Disease Control (2010-2012)
- Collaborator, “Ages and Stages Questionnaire”, Funded by the University of Oregon and the State of Oregon (2010) (October 2017)

Professional Memberships

- Member, International Association of Law Libraries (September 2024 to present)
- Member, American Society of International Law (September 2024 to present)
- Member, American Association of Law Libraries (March 2023 to present)
- Member, University Research Council (March 2020 to 2024)
- Member, BYU Faculty Women’s Association (May 2016 to present)
- Member, National Organization of Research Development Professionals (May 2015 to present)

Honors and Awards

- Staff and Administrative Employee Recognition Award for Teamwork, 2022, Brigham Young University
- Five Years of Employment Recognition, College of Family, Home, and Social Sciences, February 2020, Brigham Young University
- Member, National Organization of Research Development Professionals (2015 to 2024)

Media

- New Member Profile on FCIL-AALL *DipLawMatic Dialogues* blog, December 2, 2025
- Profiled for University of Washington’s “I am the iSchool” initiative, November 15, 2025