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ABOUT ME:

Creative, persuasive, and confident trial expert with thousands of hours logged in the courtroom. Excels at thinking quickly on feet, developing trial preparation strategies, and influencing jurors with a trained mix of communication techniques. Primary specialties are prosecution of cyber crimes and compliance with federal and state electronic communication privacy laws. Frequently lectures to state and national audiences on trial skills, 4th Amendment law, and leadership.

EXPERIENCE:

Fond du Lac County District Attorneys Office

Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

Assistant District Attorney – June 2023 – present. Prosecute a wide variety of criminal misdemeanor and felony cases. Issue charges, litigate motions, negotiate settlements, and first-chair jury trials. Review and approve electronic communication and phone warrants and subpoenas. Train prosecutors and law enforcement on compliance with legal process requirements, privacy interests in electronic records, and developing 4th Amendment and privacy case law.

Wisconsin Department of Justice

Madison, Wisconsin

Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Litigation Deputy Unit Director – July 2008 – June 2023. Prosecuted cases of statewide importance as first chair. As lead cyber crime prosecutor, prosecuted Internet crimes against children, high tech crimes, and other serious felony cases. Reviewed and approved electronic communication warrants, subpoenas, and statewide wiretap requests. Trained prosecutors and law enforcement on compliance with legal process requirements, privacy interests in electronic records, and developing 4th Amendment and privacy case law. Updated legal forms and procedures for obtaining third party data.

As Deputy Director, oversaw attorneys, paralegals, and support staff, reviewed work product, approved courses of action for case litigation and unit direction, and kept the team on task. Led office initiatives and provide guidance to state agencies, law enforcement, and prosecutors. Led the Statewide Prosecutor Education and Training program for the Wisconsin DOJ which provided live and online trainings for prosecutors around the state.

Delivered statewide, national, and international presentations to lawyers, prosecutors, and judges on topics including advanced trial techniques, digital evidence, ethics, legal process, rapidly changing privacy law, and leadership skills. Also gave dozens of presentations to state law enforcement agents on topics including child enticement law, legal process for electronic records, and compliance with federal and state electronic privacy laws.

D.C. Bar Association

Washington, D.C.

Leadership Instructor, John Payton Leadership Academy – Spring 2020 and 2022. One of three leaders for the D.C. Bar's flagship leadership program. Through webinars and in-person trainings, delivered a series of lectures to emerging leaders in the Washington, D.C. legal community. Topics included Being a Leader Others Want to Follow, Performance Sustainability, Being the Master of Your Career, The Value of Giving Back, Developing an Effective Team, Building High Quality Connections, and Coaching for Success.

Milwaukee County District Attorneys Office

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Assistant District Attorney – October 1999 – July 2008. Prosecuted felony, misdemeanor, domestic violence, gun, drug, violent crime, and civil termination of parental rights cases. Mentored and trained interns. Responsible for thousands of cases, tried dozens of jury and court trials, litigated over one hundred contested motions.

Mount Mary College

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Adjunct Professor – Fall Semesters, 2001 and 2002. Created and taught criminal justice courses for fledgling justice program. Prepared course curricula, selected texts, created assignments, and wrote exams. Conducted lectures and coordinated guest lecturers.

McNally, Maloney & Peterson, S.C.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Associate Attorney, Civil Litigation Team – July 1998 – July 1999. Drafted civil pleadings, pretrial documents, answers, and motions. Responded to interrogatories and discovery demands. Researched and wrote trial and appellate briefs. Experience in employment, municipal, personal injury, business, and bankruptcy law.

EDUCATION:

- University of Wisconsin Law School, *Juris Doctor*, May 1998
- Rice University, *Bachelor of Arts – Economics*, May 1995

SELECTED TRAININGS AND LECTURES GIVEN:

- Wisconsin Judicial College – Digital Evidence Boot Camp for Judges
 - February 2024, January 2023, February 2022, February 2020.
 - Presentations on Wisconsin Search Warrant Law and group discussions.
- National Cyber Crime Conference - Norwood, MA
 - April 2024, April 2022, April 2021, April 2019.
 - Presentations for prosecutor track on Emerging Issues in 4th Amendment Law, Mock Trial, Legal Hot Topics, Daubert Issues, and Trial Prep for Expert Witnesses
- Wisconsin Statewide Prosecutor Education and Training
 - Multiple presentations each year.
 - Presentations on Emerging 4th Amendment Legal Issues, Warrant Requirements, Compliance with Electronic Communications Privacy Law, Trial Skills.
- National Attorneys General Training and Research Institute
 - Multiple presentations each year.
 - Taught Trial Skills and Advanced Trial Skills at both national conferences and for state Attorneys General.
 - Conducted series of webinars in 2020 and 2021 on leadership and management, including Thriving in a Remote Workplace, Crisis to Balance, Maintaining Equanimity, Building High Quality Connections, and Developing Effective Teams.
- Attorney General Alliance – Africa Programme
 - Summer 2018 and 2019
 - Taught Cyber Crime and Privacy Law to prosecutors, police, and judges in Rwanda and Ghana.