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Gonzaga Law School

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EDUCATION

University of Washington School of Law

Seattle, Washington

LL.M Taxation, June 2006

- CALI Employment Compensation and Benefits
- CALI International Tax II (Inbound Transactions)

Gonzaga University School of Law

Spokane, Washington

Juris Doctorate, May 2005

- Business Law Concentration
- CALI Litigation Dispute Resolution
- Associate Editor, Gonzaga Law Review
- President, Federalist Society
- Saul Lefkowitz Trademark Competition
- Moot Court Council

University of Kansas

Lawrence, Kansas

B.G.S. Theater and Film Communications, December 1999

- University of Kansas Fencing Team

BAR MEMBERSHIPS AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member of the Washington State Bar Association

Member of the Spokane County Bar Association

Member of American Bar Association

Member of United States Tax Court

Member of United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington

Member of United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Gonzaga Law School – Clinical Legal Programs

Spokane, Washington

Lecturer and Director of Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic, January 2019 - present

Courses Taught:

Tax Practice & Procedure (Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic)

Taxation of Individual Income

Taxation of Gifts & Estates

Taxation of Business Entities

Directed Research

Sports Law Clinic

Legal Research & Writing IV: Transactional Drafting

Legal Research & Writing IV: Appellate Drafting

Gonzaga Law School
Adjunct Professor, January 2009 – January 2019

Spokane, Washington

Courses Taught:

Taxation of Gifts and Estates
Legal Research and Writing IV: Transactional
Alfred E. Mugel Moot Court Tax Competition

OTHER LEGAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Crago Law Office, PLLC

Tax and Transactional Attorney, November 2016 - present

Private practice specializing in Federal and state tax controversy, (representing clients at all levels before the Internal Revenue Service, Washington Department of Revenue, and Idaho Department of Revenue), mergers and acquisitions, estate planning, entity formation and governance, and commercial contracts, with an emphasis in tailoring both legal and planning issues to the client's specific needs.

McNeice | Wheeler PLLC, Spokane, WA – *Tax and Transactional Attorney, April 2015 to October 2016*

Paine Hamblen, LLP, Spokane, WA – *Tax and Transactional Attorney, October 2010 to March 2015*

Winston & Cashatt, Spokane, WA – *Tax and Transactional Attorney, April 2008 to September 2010*

Deloitte Tax LLP, San Francisco, CA – *Tax Controversy Specialist II, August 2006 to March 2008*

LAW JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Presentation: *The Creative Key to Unlocking the Clinical Learning Experience*, at Northwest Clinical Law Conference (forthcoming November 2024).

Presentation: *Working with Volunteers and Students Remotely*, at Annual Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic Grantee Conference, December 2020.

Rebuilding the Foundations of Iraq: Comparisons to the Revival of Democracy in Central Europe, 18 *Regent University Law Review* 157 (2006).

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS AND STUDENT ADVISING

Moot Court Honors Council, *Faculty Committee Appointment*, 2023 - present
Moot Court Honors Council, *Faculty Advisor*
Gonzaga Tax Law Conference, *Faculty Advisor*
Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic Grant Recipient, *Clinic Director*, 2019 - present

HONORS AND AWARDS

Spokane/Coeur d'Alene Magazine Top Attorney (2010 – 2024)

AVVO Rating 10/10 (Superb)