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EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE, SCHOOL OF LAW

July 2006-Present

Associate Professor (Tenured)

- Courses: Civil Procedure, Election Law Seminar, Appellate Advocacy, Critical Legal Theory, includes Feminist Legal Theory, Critical Race Theory and Jurisprudence;
- Chair, Association of American Law Schools, Civil Rights Section, January 2016 to January 2017; Executive Board Member, Association of American Law Schools (AALS), Civil Rights Section, January 2009-Present; Member, AALS Election Law and Minority Law Professors Section(s);
- Advisor, American Constitution Society; Chair, Student Life Committee; Member, Academic Student Services, Promotion and Tenure, Faculty Appointments Committee, Externship Director Committee; Member, University of Baltimore Academic Policy Committee;
- Research Interests: Election Law, Voting Rights, Race, Critical Race Theory, Law and Democracy, Civil Rights, Human Rights.

ADVANCEMENT PROJECT

Director of Litigation

July 2017-Present

Litigation Consultant

June 2016-June 2017

Provide legal and strategic advice and assistance to the Advancement Project's Voter Protection Program (VPP), School to Jail (STJ), Right to Vote (RTV), Opportunity to Learn (OTL) and Justice Project (JP) teams;

- Manage litigation matters, case development, investigations, and research;
- Advise and assist on various matters including strategic and programmatic development;
- Drafted and conducted a Litigation Assessment Survey and used the results to develop training programs and materials;
- Work with administrative staff to develop a case management and organizational systems for filing and litigation.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION, VOTING SECTION

Deputy Chief

July 2000-June 2006

Staff Attorney

January 1995-March 1998

- Supervised litigation attorneys, paralegals, and other support staff in the enforcement of the federal Voting Rights Act, the National Voter Registration Act and other federal voting rights laws
- Led groundbreaking litigation under the Voting Rights Act, including Section 2 districting cases, minority language enforcement under Sections 4(e), 203 and 208, and the National Voter Registration Act
- Directed all phases of discovery and conducted settlement negotiations
- Enforced language minority provision enforcement under Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act
- Reviewed complex submissions under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act
- Participated in administrative and policy decisions
- Represented the Department of Justice at various national, regional and state conferences

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- Developed attorney and paralegal training materials
- Supervised the section's responses to Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests
- Supervised the creation of an interactive database to retrieve briefs and other litigation documents
- Trained federal election observers to monitor Election Day process, including but not limited to, assistance, language requirements, adherence to state and federal voting laws.

LAWYERS' COMMITTEE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS UNDER LAW, VOTING RIGHTS PROJECT

Staff Attorney

April 1998-June 2000

- Litigated violations of the Voting Rights Act, primarily Section 2 districting cases and National Voter Registration Act, on the federal trial and appellate levels.
- Conducted all phases of discovery and negotiated agreements.
- Monitored and commented on federal enforcement of statutory and regulatory protections of voting rights.
- Participated in public policy advocacy on Capitol Hill, including formulating legislation on felon disenfranchisement and other voting rights issues.

EDUCATION

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Juris Doctorate

- Root-Tilden-Snow Scholar
- Earl Warren Legal Training Scholarship
- Vanderbilt Medal for Service and Leadership
- New York State Trial Lawyers Association Thurgood Marshall Scholarship
- National Chairperson, National Black Law Students Association (1989-1990)
- Member, National Bar Association Board of Governors (1989-1990)

GRAMBLING STATE UNIVERSITY, Bachelor of Arts, Political Science with honors.

PUBLICATIONS

Book(s)

UNCOUNTED: The Crisis of Voter Suppression in America (NYU Press, 2020).

Law Review Articles

Democracy's Destiny, forthcoming California Law Review (2021)

Voting Realism, 104 Ky. L.J. 583 (2016).

Unfinished Business: The Continuing Need for the Voting Rights Act, 81 Geo. Wash. L. Rev. 6 (2013).

Senator Edward Kennedy: A Lion for Voting Rights, 14 N.Y.U. J. Legis. & Pub. Policy 415 (2011).

Racial Redistricting in a Post-Racial World, 32 Cardozo L. Rev. 947 (2011).

Outsourcing Democracy: Redefining the Public Private Partnership in Election Administration, 88 DENV. U. L. REV. 1 (2010).

Voter Deception, 43 Indiana L. Rev. 343 (2010). *A Vote Delayed Is A Vote Denied: A Proactive Approach to Eliminating Election Administration Legislation that Disenfranchises Unwanted Voters*, 47 U. Louisville L. Rev. 57 (2008).

A Vote Delayed Is A Vote Denied: A Proactive Approach to Eliminating Election Administration Legislation that Disenfranchises Unwanted Voters, 47 U. Louisville L. Rev. 57 (2008).

Other Select Writings

We Vote, We Count! The Need for Congressional Action to Secure the Right to Vote for All Citizens (2019) found at <https://advancementproject.org/resources/wevotewecount/>

Husted v. A. Philip Randolph Institute: To Vote, or Not to Vote: That is the Question. American Constitution Society Supreme Court Review 2017-2018.

Co-Author, *The Voting Rights Amendment Act of 2014: A Constitutional Response to Shelby County*, American Constitution Society, May 8, 2014, found at <https://www.acslaw.org/publications/issue-briefs/the-voting-rights-amendment-act-of-2014-a-constitutional-response-to>.

Lining Up: Ensuring Equal Access to the Right to Vote, Joint Report written for Advancement Project and Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, August 24, 2013, found at http://b3cdn.net/advancement/666cb8d8d9d4a9a169_kxm6yslwk.pdf.

LITIGATION (partial list)

Augusta Sandino Christian NAMPHY, Dream Defenders, New Florida Majority, Organize Florida, and Florida Immigrant Coalition, Plaintiffs, v. Ron DESANTIS, in his official capacity as Governor of the State of Florida, and Laurel M. Lee, in her official capacity as Florida Secretary of State, Defendants., 2020 WL 5913808 (N.D.Fla.)

Dream Defenders v. DeSantis, N.D. Fla., Tallahassee Division (settled July 2020)

Counsel of Record, *Husted v. A. Philip Randolph Institute*, Amicus Curiae for National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the Ohio State Conference of the NAACP In Support of Respondents. (2017)

Husted v. A. Philip Randolph Institute, Amici in Eric Holder Amicus Brief (2018)

Greene County, VA v. Ashcroft, 03-1877 (D.D.C. 2004) (Bailout, Consent Decree)

United States v. City of Chelsea, MA School Board, (2004) (settled before filed)

United States v. Berks County, PA, 2:03-CV-01030-MMB (E.D. PA 2003)(Sections 2, 4(e) and 208)

United States v. State of Tennessee, et al., Civ. A. No. 3:02-0038 (M.D. Tenn. 2002) (NVRA Consent Decree)

Warren County, VA v. Ashcroft, 1:02CV01736 (D.D.C. 2002) (Bailout, Consent Decree)

City of Harrisonburg, VA v. Ashcroft, 02CV00289, (D.D.C. 2002) (Bailout; Consent Decree)
United States v. Bessemer, AL, CV83-C-3050-S (N.D. AL 2000)(Section 2)
Keeler v. Morgan City, LA 00-CV-1588, (WD LA 2000) (Section 2; settled)
Sanders v. Dooly County, GA, 98-0042-CV-2-DF-5 (MD GA 2000) (Section 2; argued)
Johnson v. Hamrick, 196 F.3d 1216 (11th Cir. 1999) (Section 2; argued)
Condon v. Reno, 913 F. Supp 946 (SC 1995) (NVRA; tried)
Virginia v. Reno (1995) (NVRA; argued)
United States v. New Roads, LA (Section 2; settled)

PRESENTATIONS (partial list)

Featured Speaker, NYU BeTogether Global Scholars & Innovators Series	October 2020
Featured Speaker, Albany Law School First Mondays Lecture, <i>The Fight to Vote</i>	October 2020
Panelist, California Law Review Symposium <i>Democracy Reform for the Twenty-first Century</i>	September 2020
Featured Speaker, Nebraska Wesleyan University <i>Vote: How and Why We Choose</i>	September 2020
Panelist, American Bar Association Annual Meeting Showcase CLE, <i>The Power of Women in U.S. Elections</i>	July 2020
Panelist, <i>Democracy in Peril</i> , University of the District of Columbia, Institute of Politics, Policy and History	June 2019
Testimony, Field Hearing on Voting Rights and Election Administration in Georgia, Subcommittee on Elections of the Committee on House Administration, Atlanta, Georgia	February 2019
Judge, American Constitution Society’s Clash of the Titans, University of Baltimore School of Law	February 2019
Trainer, Advancement Project Investigative Skills Program, National Institute for Trial Advocacy, Washington, DC	January 2019
Presenter, <i>The Supreme Court and American Politics</i> An EdX Course with the University of Baltimore School of Law and the University of Maryland	August 2018
Panelist, NAACP National Convention, CLE Trainings <i>Identifying and Combatting Voter Suppression Tactics</i> <i>Ensuring Compliance with the NVRA's Requirements</i>	July 2018
Panelist, <i>History Repeats Itself: New Age Voter Suppression</i>	

Temple University, Voting Rights Panel	April 2018
Panelist, Vanderbilt University School of Law Practicing Public Interest Law in the South Conference	September 2016
Panelist, Congressional Black Caucus, National Black Law Students Association, <i>Critical Race Theory: The Future of the Movement, from Derrick Bell to Black Lives Matter</i>	September 2016
Panelist, Voting Rights Symposium, Mississippi Law Journal, University of Mississippi School of Law	April 2016
Invited Panelist, Voting Rights Symposium, Kentucky Law Journal, University of Kentucky School of Law	March 2016
Moderator, AALS Civil Rights Section Panel, New York, NY <i>Civil Rights and Civil Movements in the 21st Century: Building Sustainable Movements for Social Change</i>	January 2016
Panelist, Annual Legislative Conference of the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Braintrust Panel--Voting Rights: Protecting the Right to Vote	September 2015
Speaker, TEDx Baltimore <i>From We Shall Overcome to We Are Overcome</i>	January 2015
Moderator, AALS Civil Rights Section Panel, Washington, DC <i>Voter Suppression 2014 and Beyond</i>	January 2015
Keynote Speaker, Allegheny College, Meadville, PA <i>Voting Rights after Shelby County v. Holder</i>	October 2014
Panelist, Annual Legislative Conference of the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Braintrust Panel--Voting Rights: Protecting the Right to Vote	September 2014
Panelist, Supreme Court Preview (2014-2015) University of Baltimore School of Law	September 2014
Commissioner, National Commission on Voting Rights, Mid-Atlantic Region Hearings, held at University of Baltimore School of Law	April 2014
Panelist, University of Baltimore, Black Law Students Association, <i>Voting Rights: Life After Shelby</i>	February 2014
Panelist, Mid-Atlantic People of Color Conference, <i>That Was Then, This is Now: Voting Rights in the Twenty-first Century</i>	January 2014

Panelist, Overseas Vote Foundation and US Vote Foundation, Voting and Elections Summit, *Breaking Down Voting Barriers: Moving Forward After Shelby County v. Holder* January 2014

Busboys and Poets, A.C.T.O.R. (A Continuing Talk on Race), Washington, DC
Featured Speaker, *Voter Suppression and the 2012 Election* November 2012

Lawyer's Chapter, American Constitution Society, Nashville, TN
Speaker, *Voter ID and the 2012 Election* October 2012

American Constitution Society National Convention, Washington, DC
Moderator, *Redistricting in 2011* June 2011

Election Law Symposium, University of Baltimore
Organizer, Moderator, *A Vision for Voting: Celebrating 45 Years, Creating A Vision for the Future* September 2010

Voting Rights Panel, American Constitution Society, National Press Club
Moderator, *A National Dialogue on the State of Voting Rights in 2010: Voting Rights Act After NAMUDNO and Bartlett* September 2010

United States Senate Testimony
Protecting the Right to Vote: Oversight of the Department of Justice's Preparations for the 2008 General Election, Judiciary Committee, Washington, DC September 2008

MEDIA EXPERIENCE

WYPR, *On the Record with Sheilah Kast*, Defending the Right to Vote
<https://www.wypr.org/post/defending-right-vote> (aired February 2020; September 2020)

PBS American Experience Digital Short, *The Ongoing Fight* found at
<https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/americanexperience/features/vote-ongoing-fight/>, July 6, 2020

Guest: "Voter Suppression Is Real and It's Been Happening For More Than A Century," Detroit Today, *WDET* Radio, July 23, 2019.
<https://wdet.org/posts/2019/07/23/88436-voter-suppression-is-real-and-its-been-happening-for-more-than-a-century/>

The Eleventh Hour with Brian Williams, MSNBC, Invited guest discussing the Pence-Kobach Election Integrity Commission (Nationally aired, July 6, 2017)

The Roland Martin Show, NEWS ONE, Invited panelist discussing police misconduct cases and recent Alabama redistricting case in the United States Supreme Court. (Nationally aired March 26, 2015)

The Marc Steiner Show, WEAA 88.9 FM, Invited guest discussing Dr. Martin Luther King's legacy and national holiday. (Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD, aired January 2015).

National Public Radio (NPR), *All Things Considered*, (Nationally aired December 6, 2011).
Interview with NPR reporter Pam Fessler on voter deception issues surrounding the Maryland robo-call case.

AWARDS/ HONORS (partial list)

Diverse: Issues in Higher Education, Named one of thirty visionary women in higher education,
[http://diverseeducation.com/news/30th Anniversary WOMENS HISTORY MONTH 2014 Press Release.pdf](http://diverseeducation.com/news/30th_Anniversary_WOMENS_HISTORY_MONTH_2014_Press_Release.pdf) and the magazine- <http://mydigimag.rrd.com/publication/?i=202383>.

Hall of Fame, National Black Law Students Association, inducted March 2014.

BAR ADMISSIONS

State courts-Georgia, District of Columbia
Federal courts- United States Supreme Court