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Education

The George Washington University Law School, Washington, DC

J.D. With Highest Honors, 1992

- Class rank: 2/415
- Associate, *The George Washington Law Review*
- Honors: Order of the Coif; Imogen Williford Constitutional Law Award; Bureau of National Affairs Law Student Prize for outstanding academic achievement

University of Texas, Austin, TX

Bachelor of Journalism, 1985

Academic Appointments

University of Baltimore School of Law, Baltimore, MD 2001–present
Dean Julius Isaacson Professor of Law

- Appointments: Associate Dean for Academic Affairs (2013-2017); Professor of Law (2010-present); Associate Professor of Law (2001-2009)
- Courses: Torts; Introduction to Lawyering Skills; Constitutional Law II (Individual rights and liberties; First Amendment)
- 2024 Recipient, Law Faculty Award for Outstanding Service by a Full-Time Faculty Member
- 2012 Recipient of the Law Faculty Award for Outstanding Teaching by a Full-Time Faculty Member
- Selected Law School Committees: Academic Standards (Chair, 2022-2024); Ad Hoc Committee on Hybrid Part-Time JD Program (Chair, 2021-22); Ad Hoc Library Director Search (2019-20); Admissions (2019-23); Post-Tenure Review (2018-21; 2023-25); Self-Study (2016-17); Strategic Planning (2012-13)
- Selected University Committees: Dean Search Committee, College of Arts & Sciences (Chair, 2016); University Provost Search Committee (2015-16)

University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law, Baltimore, MD Fall 2012
Visiting Professor of Law

The George Washington University Law School, Washington, DC 1996–2001
Associate Professor of Legal Research and Writing
Director, Legal Research and Writing Program

Catholic University, Columbus School of Law, Washington, DC 1994–1996
Assistant Director, Lawyering Skills Program

Judicial Clerkships

U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland, Baltimore, MD

The Honorable Edward S. Northrop 1993–1994

The Honorable William M. Nickerson 1992–1993

Additional Professional Experience

Anderson, Kill, Olick, & Oshinsky, Washington, DC September 1991–May 1992

Crowell & Moring, Washington, DC Summers 1991 & 1992

NAACP Legal Defense & Education Fund, Washington, DC Summer 1991

Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer, & Feld, Austin, TX Summer 1990

Publications

Books and Book Chapters

Richard C. Wydick & Amy E. Sloan, PLAIN ENGLISH FOR LAWYERS (Carolina Academic Press)

6th ed. 2019 7th ed. 2024

Amy E. Sloan, USING GENERATIVE AI FOR LEGAL RESEARCH (Aspen Publishing)

1st ed. 2024 2d ed. 2025 3d ed. 2026

Amy E. Sloan, BASIC LEGAL RESEARCH: TOOLS AND STRATEGIES (Aspen Publishing)

1st ed. 2000 4th ed. 2009 7th ed. 2018
2d ed. 2003 5th ed. 2012 8th ed. 2021
3d ed. 2006 6th ed. 2015 Rev. 8th ed. 2024

Amy E. Sloan, RESEARCHING THE LAW: FINDING WHAT YOU NEED WHEN YOU NEED IT (Aspen Publishing)

1st ed. 2014 3d ed. 2020 5th ed. 2026
2d ed. 2017 4th ed. 2023

Amy E. Sloan, Steven D. Schwinn, & John D. Edwards, BASIC LEGAL RESEARCH WORKBOOK (Aspen Publishing)

1st ed. 2002 2009 Update 5th ed. 2016
2d ed. 2005 Rev. 3d ed. 2010 2017 Update
2006 Update 4th ed. 2011 2018 Update
3d ed. 2007 2012 Update 2019 Update
2008 Update Rev. 4th ed. 2015 Rev. 5th ed. 2020

Ruth Anne Robbins, Kristen K. Tiscione, & Amy E. Sloan, *Implementing Effective Education in Specific Contexts, Part B: Analysis, Research, and Communication in Skills-Focused Courses*, in BUILDING ON BEST PRACTICES: TRANSFORMING LEGAL EDUCATION IN A CHANGING WORLD (Maranville, Bliss, Kaas, & Sedillo Lopez, eds.)(Lexis 2015).

Articles and Essays (<https://ssrn.com/author=625457>)

New Wine in Old Wineskins: Metaphor and Legal Research, 92 NOTRE DAME L. REV. ONLINE 1 (2016)(with Colin Starger), <http://ndlawreview.org/2016/10/new-wine-in-old-wineskins-metaphor-and-legal-research/>.

The 95 Theses: Legal Research in the Internet Age, 20 LEGAL WRITING: THE JOURNAL OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE 45 (2015)(invited submission; available in the inaugural online edition at <http://www.legalwritingjournal.org/2015/07/05/the-95-theses-legal-research-in-the-internet-age>).

Setting a Precedent about Precedent: William Richman on Federal Appellate Justice, 45 U. TOL. L. REV. 747 (2014).

The Dog that Didn't Bark: Stealth Procedures and the Erosion of Stare Decisis in the Federal Courts of Appeals, 78 FORDHAM L. REV. 713 (2009).

Step Right Up: Using Consumer Decision Making Theory to Teach Research Process in the Electronic Age, 60 S.C. L. REV. 123 (2008).

If You Can't Beat 'Em, Join 'Em: A Pragmatic Approach to Nonprecedential Opinions in the Federal Appellate Courts, 86 NEB. L. REV. 895 (2008).

Appellate Fruit Salad and Other Concepts: A Short Course in Appellate Practice, 35 U. BALT. L. REV. 43 (2005).

Two Rules for Better Writing, 38 MD. B.J. 57 (September/October 2005).

A Government of Laws and Not Men: Prohibiting Non-Precedential Opinions by Statute or Procedural Rule, 79 IND. L.J. 711 (2004).

Erasing Lines: Integrating the Law School Curriculum, 1 J. ALWD 3 (2002).

Creating Effective Legal Research Exercises, 7 PERSPECTIVES 8 (1998), reprinted in BEST OF PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING LEGAL RESEARCH & WRITING 30 (2001).

No Magic Formula: A New Approach for Calculating the Ten-Year Time Period for Admission of Prior Conviction Evidence, 3 GEO. MASON INDEP. L. REV. 351 (1995).

Selected Presentations

Plain English for Appellate Practitioners, Nassau County Bar Association Appellate Practice Committee, January 2023

Is the Oxford Comma Controversial?, Bloomberg Law News, video presentation, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z77OTpXgZLE>, May 2022

Plain English for Judges, National Association of Administrative Law Judiciary Mid-Year Conference, May 2021 (invited speaker)

Building Bridges Between Theory and Practice: Incorporating Lawyering Skills into Doctrinal Courses, Discussion Group, AALS 2019 Annual Meeting

Research and Religion, Capital Area Legal Writing Conference, March 2014

The Rhetoric of Research, Capital Area Legal Writing Conference, March 2013

Teaching Students to be Savvy Consumers in the Information Marketplace, North Carolina-South Carolina Legal Research and Writing Colloquium (May 2008) (invited speaker)

Integrating a Legal Writing Course with a Doctrinal Course, Association of Legal Writing Directors conference, June 2007

Unpublished Opinions, Maryland State Bar Association, Litigation Skills Section, Appellate Subcommittee Program, University of Maryland School of Law, January 2005 (invited speaker)

Judicial Writing: Originality of Thought and Current Citation Practice, National Association of Administrative Law Judiciary Conference, November 2004 (invited speaker)

The Future of Legal Research, Maryland State Law Library Anniversary Lecture Series, November 2004 (invited speaker)

Appellate Fruit Salad: Analogy and the Final Order Doctrine, Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, March 2004

Finding the Law: Confronting the Challenges of Legal Research in an Electronic Age, American University, Washington College of Law Founders' Day Conference, April 2003 (invited speaker)

Erasing Lines: Integrating the Law School Curriculum, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, July 2001

Effective Journal Write-On Competitions, National Conference of Law Reviews Conference, March 2001 (invited speaker)

The Future is Almost Here: The ALWD Citation Manual, Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference, July 1999 (invited speaker)

Selected Professional Activities

Association of American Law Schools

- Workshop for New Law School Teachers
Planning Committee, 2021
Presenter, *Teaching Legal Research*, July 2007, 2009, 2011, & 2013
- Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research
Chair, 1999; Chair-Elect, 1998; Secretary and Newsletter Editor, 1997
- Lifetime Achievement Award Nominating Committee, 2006

Association of Legal Writing Directors

- President, 2002-03
- Co-editor, *Erasing Lines*, 1 J. ALWD (2002)
- Liaison, ABA Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, 2001-03
- Program Chair, 2001 *Erasing Lines* Conference
- Co-Chair, Citation Committee (oversaw development of *ALWD Guide to Legal Citation*), 1999-2000
- *ALWD Guide to Legal Citation* AI Working Group, 2025

Legal Writing Institute

- Professional Status Committee, 2018-2019

Maryland Judicial Institute

- Planning Committee and Presenter, *Judicial Opinion Writing Training for Circuit Court Judges*, October 2004, 2007, 2010, & 2013