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Academic Appointments

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY NEW ORLEANS COLLEGE OF LAW, New Orleans, La.

Edward J. Womac, Jr. Distinguished Professor, May 2026 – present

Associate Professor, promotion eff. Aug. 10, 2026

Assistant Professor, 2023 – present

Westerfield Fellow, 2022 – 2023

Current Courses: Administrative Law, Introduction to Legislative Drafting & Regulatory Practice,
Civil Procedure I, Civil Procedure II

Previous Courses: Courts in a Federal System, Lawyering I, Lawyering II

INDIANA UNIVERSITY MAURER SCHOOL OF LAW, Bloomington, Ind.

Adjunct Professor, Administrative Law (3 credits, synchronously on Zoom), Spring 2021

Education

INDIANA UNIVERSITY MAURER SCHOOL OF LAW, Bloomington, Ind.

J.D., *summa cum laude* (Top 1%) & Order of the Coif, 2016

- *Indiana Law Journal*, Articles Editor (vol. 91) & Associate (vol. 90)
- Sherman Minton Moot Court Competition, Quarterfinalist & Oral Argument Honoree
- Earned highest grade in six classes

PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY, Tacoma, Wash.

B.A., Political Science, *summa cum laude*, 2013

Scholarship

Books

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW, Hornbook (West Academic Publishing, 4th ed. 2023) (with Alfred C. Aman, Jr. & the late William T. Mayton)

- Sole author of eight new chapters on methods of agency decision making, rulemaking, due process, adjudicatory power, availability of judicial review, and monetary relief

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW AND PROCESS, Casebook & Teacher's Manual (Carolina Academic Press, 4th ed. 2020) & Casebook Supplements (2023 & 2025) (with Alfred C. Aman, Jr. & William Penniman)

Law Review Articles

Commodification of the Digital Person (work in progress)

Digital Personhood and the Immutability of Change, 79 OKLAHOMA L. REV. (forthcoming 2027)

[*Inherently Human Functions*](#), 100 TULANE L. REV. 777 (2026)

- Recommended by Lawrence Solum's [Legal Theory Blog](#)

[*The Common Threats of Artificial Intelligence and Privatization*](#), 12 TEXAS A&M L. REV. 831 (2025)

[*Misplaced Reliance: Recalibrating the Role of Reliance Interests in Judicial Review of Agency Policy Changes*](#), 92 UMKC L. REV. 355 (2023)

[*How Federal and Maryland Courts Review Administrative Agency Actions*](#), 81 MARYLAND L. REV. 1224 (2022) (with John R. Grimm)

[*Private Government and the Transparency Deficit*](#), 71 ADMIN. L. REV. 437 (2019) (with Alfred C. Aman, Jr.)

Scholarship (Cont.)

Book Chapters & Encyclopedia Entries

Administrative State, in ELGAR CONCISE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE RULE OF LAW (Nadia E. Nedzel ed., Edward Elgar Publishing, forthcoming 2026)

Administrative Rulemaking, in ELGAR CONCISE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE RULE OF LAW (Nadia E. Nedzel ed., Edward Elgar Publishing, forthcoming 2026)

[*Alfred C. Aman Jr.: The Optimistic Scholar, Empathetic Teacher, and Selfless Mentor*](#), in LAW AND THE PROTECTION OF DEMOCRACY: ESSAYS IN HONOR OF ALFRED C. AMAN JR. 8 (Yvonne Cripps ed., Univ. of Rochester Press, 2025)

Student-Authored Law Review Publications

Comment, [*Don't Let the Facts Get in the Way of the Truth: Revisiting How Buckhannon and Alyeska Pipeline Messed Up the American Rule*](#), 92 INDIANA L.J. 1247 (2017)

Note, *A Referee Without a Whistle: Magistrate Judges and Discovery Sanctions in the Seventh Circuit*, 91 INDIANA L.J. 569 (2016)

Reports

U.S. SENTENCING COMMISSION, RECIDIVISM OF FEDERAL VIOLENT OFFENDERS RELEASED IN 2010 (2022) (with Courtney Semisch & Cassandra Syckes)

Presentations, Panels, & Discussion Groups

Digital Personhood and the Immutability of Change

Presenter, Richmond Junior Faculty Forum, University of Richmond School of Law, Richmond, Vir., May 20, 2026

Presenter, Loyola Faculty Development Committee Writing Workshop, New Orleans, La., Mar. 17, 2026

Presenter, "Here's My Idea..." Incubator Roundtable, AALS Scholarship Section, AALS Annual Meeting, San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 11, 2025

Inherently Human Functions

Presenter, Indiana University Maurer School of Law Faculty Workshop, Bloomington, Ind., Apr. 25, 2025

Presenter, Loyola Faculty Development Committee Writing Workshop, New Orleans, La., Feb. 18, 2025

Presenter, New Voices in Administrative Law, AALS Annual Meeting, San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 11, 2025

Loper Bright and Other Recent Supreme Court Developments

Guest Lecturer, "Administrative Deference 101 (And How *Loper Bright* Kinda Sorta Changed Everything)," Prof. Sarah Jane Hughes's Lawyering in the Public Interest (LAW-B539), Indiana Univ. Maurer School of Law, via Zoom, Oct. 4, 2024

Panelist, "Constitution Day: Supreme Court Spotlight: New Developments on Public Health, Criminal Justice, and the Administrative State," Loyola University New Orleans College of Law, New Orleans, La., Sept. 19 & Oct. 18, 2024

Discussant, "Chevron, Loper, and Jarkesy: What Has the Supreme Court Done Now?," SEALS Annual Conference, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., July 21, 2024

Presentations, Panels, & Discussion Groups (Cont.)

The Common Threats of Artificial Intelligence and Privatization

Presenter, “Administrative Law Problem Solving for the Threats of Algorithmic Governance,” Loyola Law Review Symposium: *AI, Esq.: Re-Imagining Legal Practice in the Digital Age*, New Orleans, La., Mar. 15, 2024

Presenter, New Voices in Administrative Law, AALS Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., Jan. 6, 2024

Presenter, Loyola Faculty Development Committee Writing Workshop, New Orleans, La., Oct. 3, 2023

Presenter, “Your Next Article” panel, SEALS New Scholars Workshop, Boca Raton, Fla., July 25, 2023

Misplaced Reliance

Presenter, SEALS New Scholars Workshop, Boca Raton, Fla., July 25, 2023

Presenter, Inaugural Bayou Scholars Workshop, Tulane Law School, New Orleans, La., Mar. 18, 2023

Private Government and the Transparency Deficit

Panelist, “The Idea of Outsourcing: America’s Private Prison Industry,” Inmate Legal Assistance Project et al., Indiana Univ. Maurer School of Law, Bloomington, Ind., Feb. 24, 2019

Other Lectures and Panels

Moderator, “Immigration Advocacy & the Erosion of Due Process,” Loyola Journal of Public Interest Law Symposium: *Current Legal Challenges of Effective Representation: How Do We Practice Law in a Time Where it Feels Like the Law Does Not Work?*, New Orleans, La., Mar. 20, 2026

Guest Discussant, “The Administrative Law Framework: The Process of Deregulation,” Prof. Robert Verchick’s Environmental Law (LAW-L858), Loyola Univ. New Orleans College of Law, Sept. 9, 2025

Invited Speaker, Faculty Address to Incoming Law Students, “Contradictions? Six Things I Wish I Knew Before I Started Law School,” Loyola Law Orientation, New Orleans, La., Aug. 12, 2025

Panelist, “AI, Higher Education, and Loyola,” Loyola University New Orleans Center for Teaching, Research, and Learning, New Orleans, La., Mar. 21, 2025

Host & Invited Speaker, led discussion with international leaders participating in the U.S. Department of State International Visitor Leadership Program and delivered remarks entitled “Conversation Starters: Accountability, Transparency, and Ethics in the U.S. Government,” Loyola University New Orleans College of Law, New Orleans, La., Nov. 1, 2024

Moderator, “Cruel & Unusual: The Intersection of Capital Punishment, the Law, and Morality,” Loyola Journal of Public Interest Law Symposium: *Transforming Perspectives Through Evolving Standards of Decency: Death Penalty Abolition in America*, New Orleans, La., Mar. 22, 2024

Panelist, “JurisFirst Jamboree,” First Generation Law Ass’n, Indiana Univ. Maurer School of Law, via Zoom, Oct. 19, 2023

Moderator, “Procedural Injuries and Standing in Communications Consumer Protection Litigation,” CLE Panel on Administrative Law, Federal Communications Bar Ass’n, via Zoom, Feb. 8, 2023

Guest Lecturer, “Game Plan: Ensuring a Level Playing Field for Pro Se Litigants,” Rural Justice Initiative Boot Camp, Indiana Univ. Maurer School of Law, Bloomington, Ind., May 21, 2019

Judicial Clerkships

HON. JANE E. MAGNUS-STINSON, CHIEF JUDGE, U.S. Dist. Ct., S.D. Ind., Indianapolis, Ind.
Law Clerk, Aug. 2017 – Aug. 2019 (previously *Legal Extern*, Fall 2015)

HON. MARK J. DINSMORE, MAGISTRATE JUDGE, U.S. Dist. Ct., S.D. Ind., Indianapolis, Ind.
Law Clerk, Aug. 2016 – Aug. 2017 (previously *Legal Extern*, Summer 2014)

Professional Legal Experience

HARRIS, WILTSHIRE & GRANNIS LLP (now HWG LLP), Washington, D.C.

Counsel, Dec. 2021 – June 2022; *Associate*, Sept. 2019 – Nov. 2020

Responsibilities:

- Assisted in project management and overseeing day-to-day operations of data privacy practice
- Developed comprehensive compliance plans to address telecommunications, consumer protection, privacy, and data security regulations
- Advocated for clients before the FCC and conducted internal investigations
- Litigated business disputes in federal courts, state courts, and arbitration tribunals

Selected Accomplishments:

- Led pro bono representation of inmate seeking compassionate release due to COVID-19 pandemic
- Lead drafter of amicus brief in support of Supreme Court petition for certiorari
- Lead drafter of successful petition for waiver of FCC rule

U.S. SENTENCING COMMISSION, Office of General Counsel, Washington, D.C.

Staff Attorney, Jan. 2021 – Nov. 2021

- Advised on developments regarding judicial deference and constraints of the agency's organic statute
- Assisted with COVID-19 vaccination privacy and employment law issues
- Drafted publications to educate practitioners, judges, and probation officers on federal sentencing law

HON. DAVID F. HAMILTON, CIRCUIT JUDGE, 7th Cir., Bloomington, Ind.

Legal Extern, Spring 2016

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, Office of Professional Responsibility, Washington, D.C.

Legal Extern, Summer 2015

Selected Service

Scholarship

Referee for student note submission, Yale Law Journal, 2024

Law School

Faculty Co-advisor, Lambda Law Alliance, 2023 – present

Faculty Advisor, Society of Law & Technology, 2024 – present

Mentor, Ignatian Law Scholars Program, 2023 – present

Member, Learning Outcomes & Assessments Committee, 2023 – present

Member, Budget & Strategic Planning Committee, 2024 – present

Member, Ad Hoc Committee on Artificial Intelligence, 2025 – present

Member, Foreign Summer & International Programs Committee, 2023 – 2025

Volunteer Judge, Loyola moot court teams, 2024 – present

Regular speaker at Loyola Law Office of Admissions events

Selected Service (Cont.)

University

Member, Standing Council for Academic Planning, 2023 – present

Member, Artificial Intelligence Committee, 2025 - present

Member, University Task Force on Artificial Intelligence, 2023 – 2024

Member, University Intellectual Property Policy and Rights Committee, 2024 – present

Member, University Committee on Internal Grants, 2024 – present

Professional & Community

Captain for Loyola Law team for Covenant House’s annual “Sleep Out” fundraiser, 2024, and Team member, 2022

External Fairness Reviewer for Law School Admission Counsel (LSAC) LSAT questions, 2025 – present

Volunteer mock job interviewer for SEALS Prospective Law Teachers Workshop, 2024

D.C. Courts Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll (awarded for providing 50+ hours of pro bono service), 2020

Tutor for unhoused youth, School on Wheels (now Brightlane Learning), Indianapolis, Ind., 2017 – 2019

Regular volunteer and mentor at Indiana University Maurer School of Law and Pacific Lutheran University; assist IU Maurer students and alumni with academic hiring process and mock job talks

Media

Quoted in Nathan Brown, [Lawyers Explain Legal Paths for Alex Palou, Chip Ganassi Racing](#), INDIANAPOLIS STAR (Aug. 18, 2022)

- Provided insight on high-profile federal litigation between racing team and driver

Bar Admissions

District of Columbia | Maryland (inactive) | U.S.C.A., 7th Cir. | U.S.D.C., S.D. Ind.

Selected Personal Highlights

Substitute broadcaster for Seattle Reign professional women’s soccer team, 2013 – 2014

Broadcaster for Pacific Lutheran University soccer, softball, and baseball, 2011 – 2013

Frequent runner; occasional marathoner and open-water distance swimmer

Former singer, actor, composer, and handbell ringer

Conversational in Spanish