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### **Education**

JD, Saint Louis University School of Law, 1996.

Major: Law

BA, Saint Louis University, 1993.

Major: Political Science

### **Academic, Government, Military and Professional Positions**

#### **Academic**

Legal Studies Program Director and Assistant Professor in the Department of Criminal Justice/Legal Studies Program, Missouri Western State University. (August 15, 2005 - Present).

Adjunct Professor, Missouri Western State University. (2000 - 2005).

#### **Professional**

Guardian Ad Litem, Fifth Judicial Circuit. (January 2010 - Present).

Supervising Attorney for the Juvenile Office, 5th Judicial Circuit (Buchanan County) Juvenile Office. (August 21, 2000 - August 21, 2005).

Assistant Public Defender, Office of the Missouri Public Defender. (1996 - 2000).

Housing Unit, Rule 13 Law Clerk, Legal Services of Eastern Missouri. (1993 - 1996).

Support Staff & Law Clerk, Brown & James, P.C. (1989 - 1995).

### **Licensures and Certifications**

Guardian ad Litem, The Missouri Supreme Court. (January 14, 2010 - Present).

Missouri Bar License. (April 1997 - Present).

Certified as Graduate Faculty, Missouri Western State University. (November 29, 2010 - November 29, 2015).

### **Professional Memberships**

Member, Phi Alpha Delta.

National Conference Planning Committee, American Association for Paralegal Education. (August 15, 2005 - Present).

St. Joseph Bar Association. (October 1997 - Present).

Chair of Paralegal Committee, Missouri Bar Association. (April 1997 - Present).

## **Development Activities Attended**

Conference Attendance, "AAfPE 34th Annual Conference on Paralegal Education," American Association for Paralegal Educators (AAfPE), Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA. (October 21, 2015 - October 24, 2015).

Continuing Education Program, "Child Abuse Investigation, Education, and Prevention," Department of Criminal Justice, Nursing, Education, Saint Joseph, Missouri, USA. (April 14, 2015 - April 16, 2015).

Conference Attendance, "2015 ACJS 52nd Annual Conference," Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Orlando, Florida, USA. (March 3, 2015 - March 7, 2015).

Continuing Education Program, "Missouri Juvenile Justice Association Fall Conference," Missouri Juvenile Justice Association, Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri, USA. (October 23, 2014 - October 25, 2014).

Continuing Education Program, "Nuts & Bolts of Juvenile Practice," Jackson County Law Library, Kansas City, Missouri, USA. (October 17, 2014).

Institute, "Learning Communities Institute," The Evergreen State College, Olympia, Washington, USA. (July 14, 2014 - July 18, 2014).

Continuing Education Program, "'Stand by Your Man'," St. Joseph Bar Association, St. Joseph, Missouri, USA. (June 20, 2014).

Continuing Education Program, "Child Abuse Investigation Conference," Missouri Western State University, St. Joseph, Missouri, USA. (April 16, 2014 - April 17, 2014).

Conference Attendance, "AAfPE 32nd Annual Conference," American Association for Paralegal Education, Phoenix, Arizona, USA. (November 6, 2013 - November 9, 2013).

Continuing Education Program, "Judicial Panel," St. Joseph Bar Association, St. Joseph, MO, USA. (June 21, 2013).

Continuing Education Program, "Child Abuse Investigation Conference," Criminal Justice, Legal Studies, and Social Work Department, St. Joseph, MO, USA. (April 16, 2013 - April 17, 2013).

Continuing Education Program, "Warrantless Blood Draws," St. Joseph Bar Association, St. Joseph, MO, USA. (March 22, 2013).

Continuing Education Program, "The Lawyers Trustee: A Discussion of Applicable Ethical Rules," Commerce Trust Company, St. Joseph, MO, USA. (January 23, 2013).

Continuing Education Program, "Administrative Case Law Update," Missouri Bar Administrative Law Committee, Jefferson City, MO, USA. (November 16, 2012).

Continuing Education Program, "Juvenile Case Law Update," Missouri Bar Juvenile Law Committee, Jefferson City, MO, USA. (November 16, 2012).

Conference Attendance, "31st Annual AAfPE National Conference," American Association for Paralegal Education (AAfPE), Savannah, Georgia, USA. (October 25, 2012 - October 27, 2012).

Continuing Education Program, "Administrative Case Law Update," Missouri Bar Administrative Law Committee, Jefferson City, MO, USA. (November 18, 2011).

Continuing Education Program, "Education Case Law Update," Missouri Bar Education Law Committee, Jefferson City, MO, USA. (November 18, 2011).

Continuing Education Program, "Elder Case Law Update," Missouri Bar Association, Jefferson City, MO, USA. (November 18, 2011).

Conference Attendance, "30th Annual AAFPE National Conference," American Association for Paralegal Education (AAFPE), Baltimore, Maryland, USA. (November 2, 2011 - November 5, 2011).

Continuing Education Program, "Thurgood Marshall's Coming!," The Missouri Bar, Jefferson City, Missouri, U.S.A. (June 15, 2011).

Continuing Education Program, "Fall Committee Meetings," Missouri Bar Association, Jefferson City, Missouri, U.S.A. (November 19, 2010).

Conference Attendance, "29th Annual AAFPE National Conference - Leading the Professional Pace," American Association for Paralegal Education, Indianapolis, Indiana, U.S.A. (October 27, 2010 - October 30, 2010).

Conference Attendance, "Integrating the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning into Academic Culture," Maryville University - Center for Teaching and Learning, St. Louis, Missouri, U.S.A. (October 25, 2010 - October 26, 2010).

Conference Attendance, "Disproportionate Minority Contact Conference," Coalition for Juvenile Justice, Washington D.C., U.S.A. (October 23, 2010 - October 25, 2010).

Training, "State Relations and Assistance Division (SRAD) Training," The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Washington D.C., U.S.A. (October 22, 2010).

Continuing Education Program, "Missouri Juvenile Justice Association - Spring 2010 Educational Conference," Missouri Juvenile Justice Association, Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri, U.S.A. (May 19, 2010 - May 21, 2010).

Continuing Education Program, "Spring Committee Meetings," Missouri Bar Association, Jefferson City, Missouri, U.S.A. (May 14, 2010).

Continuing Education Program, "Missouri Paralegal Association Annual Seminar," Missouri Paralegal Association, Blue Springs, Missouri, U.S.A. (April 30, 2010).

Continuing Education Program, "Guardian ad Litem Training," Missouri Bar Association, Kansas City, Missouri. (January 14, 2010).

Conference Attendance, American Association for Paralegal Education (AAFPE), Portland, Oregon, USA. (November 1, 2009 - November 3, 2009).

Continuing Education Program, "Juvenile Justice State Advisory Group (SAG) Training," The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), Jefferson City, Missouri, United States. (June 15, 2009).

Conference Attendance, "The 2008 Assessment Institute in Indianapolis," Assessment Institute, Indianapolis, Indiana. (October 26, 2008 - October 28, 2008).

Conference Attendance, "27th Annual Conference: Foundations of Teaching," American Association for Paralegal Education, Dallas, Texas, U.S.A. (October 15, 2008 - October 18, 2008).

Teaching Competition, "Cengage Learning Excellence in Teaching Competition," American Association for Paralegal Education, Dallas, Texas, United States. (October 16, 2008).

Conference Attendance, "AAfPE North Central Regional Conference," American Association of Paralegal Education - North Central Division, Cleveland, Ohio, U.S.A. (March 28, 2008 - March 29, 2008).

Continuing Education Program, "E-Discovery and Ethics," Missouri Paralegal Association, Parkville, Missouri. (January 9, 2008).

Continuing Education Program, "Reducing Disproportionate Minority Contact," Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention, Denver, Colorado. (October 25, 2007 - October 27, 2007).

Conference Attendance, "Creating a Shared Vision for Juvenile Justice," Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention, Denver, Colorado. (October 21, 2007 - October 24, 2007).

Continuing Education Program, "15 Hour Review of the Law," University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law, Kansas City, Missouri. (June 15, 2007).

Workshop, "WebCT Training," MWSU Instructional Media Center, St. Joseph, Missouri. (January 5, 2007 - January 10, 2007).

Continuing Education Program, "Comprehensive Child Welfare Conference," Office of the State Courts Administrators, Blue Springs, Missouri. (April 11, 2005).

## **TEACHING**

### **Teaching Experience**

#### **Missouri Western State University**

HON 395, Election Law Honors Symposium, 1 course.  
LAT 101, Introduction to Law, 48 courses.  
LAT 340, Current Legal Issues (Study Away), 1 course.  
LAT 360, Probate Law, 1 course.  
LAW 110, Juvenile Delinquency, 6 courses.  
LAW 260, Criminal Law, 1 course.  
LAW 290, Practicum I, 2 courses.  
LAW 440, Juvenile Law and Procedures, 13 courses.  
LAW 450, Independent Research/Project, 2 courses.

### **Non-Credit Instruction**

Guest Lecture, Nursing Department, 40 participants. (April 6, 2012).

### **Directed Student Learning**

Master's Committee Member, "Special Education Law & Advocacy for Students with Autism."  
(January 28, 2014 - Present).  
Advised: Janet Lines

Supervised Teaching Activity. (November 3, 2015).

Advised: Abby Davidson, Adam Meisinger, Alexis Sample, Connor Bishop, Jacob Ward, Jared Lino, Justin Lovelace, Matt McDonald, Matthew Vincent, Mekayla Sloan, Michael Houghtaling, Moses Kamara, Nicole Cepeda, Ravyn Highsmith, Sefulu Faavae, Troy Dittemore, Xavier Newson

Supervised Teaching Activity. (April 1, 2015).

Advised: Alexandria Wilson, Becky Gauthier, Casey Newton, Christine Kephart, Corey Knight, Dallas Thomas, Donny Herron, Elizabeth Leroy, Freddie Williams, Gerrick Taylor, Jacob Edwards, Jouen Kori, Kyle Kelly, Maiya Jackson, Margot Bergeron, Melody De Mar, Nate Morgan, Raquel Murillo, Seth Dittemore, Shan Walton

Applied Learning: Service-Learning. (November 6, 2012).

Advised: Kaytland Barone, Elizabeth Bertram, Shelby Hamilton, Jeffrey Maronde, Sara Mathews, Sara Mathews, Ryan Parris, Brenna Salzwedel, Teddi Serna, Alex Stearns, Stacy Temple, Corvette Way

Supervised Teaching Activity, "Tour Juvenile Delinquency Facilities in Missouri." (March 10, 2011).

Advised: Darryl Cannamore, Travis Crable, Kyle Hoyt, Travis Ness, Felicia Newman, Martin Noland, Stephanie Ragan, Ashley Smith

Applied Learning: Service-Learning, "Student Mentor to At-Risk Elementary Students." (August 26, 2009 - December 4, 2009).

Advised: Matthew Hufford, Jennifer Hansen, Kenneth Goodwin, Janet Lines, Sharon Moore-Jowels, Tandy Bruce, Clinton Payne, Diana Klumpe, Whitney Wagner

Applied Learning: Service-Learning, "Learning Election Law Up-Close and Personal." (August 26, 2009 - December 4, 2009).

Advised: Thomas Hutton

Applied Learning: Study Away, "Review of Current Legal Issues." (January 15, 2008 - May 5, 2008).

Advised: Angela Tatro, Matthew Peters, Ivory Dunan, Matthew Hufford, Bryanna Harrah, Candice Minear, Jacelay Alcantera, Jennifer Hansen, Cameron Foster, Keri Smith, Janet Lines

## **Awards and Honors**

Jesse Lee Myers Excellence in Teaching, Missouri Western State University. (April 28, 2009).

Selected to Participate in Child Advocacy Studies Training, National Child Protection Training Center. (February 1, 2009).

Outstanding Faculty Implementation of Critical Thinking, Missouri Western State University. (April 2008).

## **RESEARCH**

### **Published Intellectual Contributions**

#### **Refereed Journal Articles**

Russell, W., Block, B., Kraft, J., Kissock, S. (2011). A critical thinking-based approach to teaching university wellness courses. *Missouri AHPERD Journal*, 21, 107-122.

Kissock, S. (in press). Preparing Paralegal Students to Bridge the Gap in Access to Justice through. *Paralegal Professionalism Anthology*.

Kissock, S., Tushaus, D. W. (2010). Promoting Civic Engagement in a Learning Community. *Journal of Learning Communities Research*, 5(1), 65-76.

### **Journal Articles**

Kissock, S. (2008). Putting the Professional in Paralegal. *The Paralegal Educator*, 37(2), 12-14. [www.aafpe.org](http://www.aafpe.org)

### **Other**

Kissock, S. (2009). *Introduction to Law* (4th ed.). Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson Publishing. <http://www.pearsoned.co.uk/bookshop/detail.asp?item=100000000274384>

### **Presentations Given**

Kissock, S., Missouri Bar Fall Committee Meetings, "The Current State of Legal Profession Missouri," Missouri Bar Association, Jefferson City, Missouri. (November 19, 2015).

Kissock, S., 34th Annual Conference, "Applied Learning Experiences through University and Community Collaboration," American Association for Paralegal Education, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. (October 7, 2015).

Kissock, S., 2015 Annual Seminar, "The History & Future of the Paralegal Profession," Kansas City Paralegal Association, Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association. (September 23, 2015).

Kissock, S., 2015 Annual Conference, "Child Abuse Prevention through Applied Learning," Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Orlando, Florida. (March 7, 2015).

Kissock, S., Fall Committee Meetings, "The Ethical Use of Paralegals," Missouri Bar Association, Jefferson City, Missouri. (December 6, 2013).

Kissock, S. (Presenter & Author), 32nd Annual AAFPE National Conference, "Grants and Applied Learning Opportunities for Enhancing Paralegal Education," American Association for Paralegal Educators, Phoenix, Arizona. (November 8, 2013).

Kissock, S., Spring Committee Meetings, "The Evolution of the Legal Profession in the United States," Missouri Bar Association, Jefferson City, Missouri. (April 14, 2013).

Kissock, S., Missouri Bar Association 2012 Fall Committee Meeting, "Access to Justice & Expanding the Role of Paralegals in the Profession," Missouri Bar Association, Jefferson City, Missouri. (November 12, 2012).

Kissock, S., 31st Annual AAFPE National Conference, "Teaching Election Law by using Student Poll Workers," American Association for Paralegal Education, Savannah, Georgia. (October 28, 2012).

Kissock, S., 2012 Missouri Paralegal Association Annual Conference, "Mock Trial Presentation," Missouri Paralegal Association, Jefferson City, Missouri. (June 9, 2012).

Kissock, S., Missouri Bar Association 2012 Spring Committee Meeting, "Paralegal Licensure and Regulation," Missouri Bar Association, Jefferson City, Missouri. (May 15, 2012).

Kissock, S., Conference on Applied Learning in Higher Education (CALHE), "First Do No Harm," Missouri Western State University. (February 25, 2011).

Kissock, S., 29th Annual American Association for Paralegal Educators Conference, "Academic Advising: Defining Your Role," American Association for Paralegal Educators, Indianapolis, Indiana. (October 28, 2010).

Kissock, S. (Presenter & Author), 2nd Annual Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Conference, "Enhancing Student Learning through Civic Engagement," Maryville University, St. Louis, Missouri. (October 1, 2010).

Kissock, S., American Association of University Professors 2010 Annual State of Higher Education, "Enhancing On-line Education with Service-Learning Experiences," American Association of University Professors, Washington D.C. (June 10, 2010).

Kissock, S. (Chair), Missouri Bar Association Spring Committee Meetings, "The Changing Role of the Paralegal," Missouri Bar Association, Jefferson City, Missouri. (May 14, 2010).

Russell, W., Block, B. (Presenter & Author), Kissock, S. (Presenter & Author), Kraft, J. (Presenter & Author), 2010 AAHPERD Convention, "A Critical Thinking-Based Approach to Teaching University Wellness Courses," Indianapolis, IN. (March 16, 2010).

Kissock, S., 28th Annual American Association for Paralegal Education Conference, "Examining the Evolution of Termination of Parental Rights in the U.S.," American Association for Paralegal Education, Portland, Oregon. (October 27, 2009).

Kissock, S. (Presenter Only), American Association of Paralegal Education - North Central Regional Conference, "Regulation of Paralegals," American Association for Paralegal Education - North Central Division, Cleveland, Ohio. (March 28, 2009).

Kissock, S. (Presenter Only), American Association for Paralegal Education 27th Annual Conference, "Creating Quality Syllabi," American Association for Paralegal Education, Dallas, Texas. (October 17, 2008).

Kissock, S., Disproportionate Minority Confinement (DMC), "Missouri Response to DMC," Office of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention, Denver, Colorado. (October 3, 2008).

Kissock, S., Grant Writing Workshop, "Grant Writing 101," Missouri Western State University, Missouri Western State University. (April 27, 2008).

## **Media Contributions**

### **Newspaper**

St. Joseph News-Press. (August 1, 2010).

St. Joseph News-Press. (July 15, 2010).

### **Radio**

KCUR - NPR Affiliate. (September 4, 2013).

KCUR - National Public Radio Affiliate. (August 17, 2011).

KFEQ - Eagle Communications 680 AM. (November 30, 2010).

## TV

KQTV Channel 2 ABC St. Joseph affiliate. (April 17, 2010).

KQTV Channel 2 ABC News St. Joseph affiliate. (August 1, 2009).

Channel 17 ABC News - Columbia, MO affiliate. (November 23, 2008).

KQ2 News. (October 10, 2008).

## Contracts, Grants and Sponsored Research

### Grant

Clary, P. (Co-Principal), Wilson, K. (Supporting), Kissock, S. (Supporting), Quenstedt-Moe, G. (Supporting), Shepherd, D. S. (Supporting), Frye, J. (Supporting), "Child Abuse and Investigation Conference," Sponsored by MWSU Foundation Board, Missouri Western State University, \$3,000.00. (July 2015 - June 2016).

Clary, P. (Co-Principal), Wilson, K. (Supporting), Kissock, S. (Supporting), Quenstedt-Moe, G. (Supporting), "Child Abuse and Investigation Conference," Sponsored by MWSU Foundation Board, Missouri Western State University, \$3,000.00. (July 2014 - June 2015).

Kissock, S. (Principal), "Show Me the Vote," Sponsored by Missouri Campus Compact, State, \$500.00. (August 1, 2008 - August 1, 2011).

Tushaus, D. W. (Principal), Katz, J. (Co-Principal), Kissock, S. (Supporting), Jang, H. (. (Supporting), "College Poll Worker Program," Sponsored by Election Assistance Commission, Federal, \$74,807.00. (October 1, 2009 - May 15, 2011).

## Research / Creative Activity Currently in Progress

"Empowering Young Voters to be Active and Informed Citizens" (On-Going).  
On-going research project evaluating opinions and assessing involvement of young voters in politics and government.

"Promoting Civic Engagement in Learning Communities by Using Students as Poll Monitors" (Writing Results).  
The intent of this paper is to promote and encourage service learning and civic engagement of freshman in a learning community by involving students in election activities. One of the primary goals of a learning community is to enhance students' education by developing their social support network to achieve academic retention and success. This article examines the benefits of promoting civic engagement through service learning in the context of a learning community. Adding a service learning component, where students work as poll monitors not only enhances the learning community ideals but also increases the likelihood that students will continue to participate in community activities throughout their life. This article describes the implementation and benefits of such a class.

"Service Learning in an On-line Environment" (Writing Results).  
My teaching load regularly includes on-line courses. I am adding a service learning to the curriculum of my on-line Juvenile Law class to enhance the educational experience of the students. Students will mentor elementary age at-risk students by participating in the Healthy Buddy Program in collaboration with the St. Joseph School District.



"Termination of Parental Rights Study" (Writing Results).

Examines the evolution of termination of parental rights in the United States and its impact on child welfare.

"The Evolution of the Collection & Criminalization of Child Support" (Writing Results).

## **SERVICE**

### **Department Service**

Committee Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee. (August 15, 2015 - Present).

Committee Member, Child Abuse Conference. (January 10, 2013 - Present).

Legal Studies Program Director. (August 15, 2007 - Present).

Committee Chair, Curriculum Committee. (August 15, 2015 - December 31, 2015).

Committee Member, Curriculum Committee. (January 15, 2015 - December 15, 2015).

Committee Chair, (Distinguished Professor Award). (August 15, 2013 - November 6, 2013).

Committee Member, Hiring Committee. (May 1, 2012 - August 1, 2012).

Committee Member, Curriculum Committee. (August 15, 2011 - May 15, 2012).

Faculty Mentor, On-line Instruction Assistance. (August 15, 2009 - May 15, 2010).

### **College Service**

Committee Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee for the Department of Engineering Technology. (August 15, 2014 - November 11, 2014).

### **University Service**

Alternate Voting Member / University Representative, Missouri Association of Faculty Senates (MAFS). (January 26, 2016 - Present).

Committee Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. (August 15, 2014 - Present).

Committee Member, University Appeal Board. (October 1, 2009 - Present).

Program Coordinator, Legal Studies Program. (August 15, 2007 - Present).

Committee Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. (August 15, 2015 - May 15, 2016).

Committee Member, Faculty and Staff Awards Committee. (March 30, 2016 - April 8, 2016).

Committee Member, Strategic Planning Committee. (May 1, 2011 - August 1, 2013).

Student Org Advisor (Professional Org), Legal Studies Association. (January 18, 2012 - December 8, 2012).

University Senate Service, Faculty Senate. (May 1, 2011 - August 15, 2012).

Committee Member, Faculty Athletic Advisory Council. (May 29, 2009 - August 15, 2012).

Committee Member, University Wellness Committee. (January 1, 2009 - May 1, 2012).

Chairperson, Environmental Impact Committee. (January 1, 2009 - August 15, 2011).

Student Org Advisor (Professional Org), Legal Studies Association. (August 15, 2007 - December 15, 2010).

University Senate Service, Faculty Senate. (August 15, 2008 - May 15, 2009).

## **Professional Service**

Member, American Bar Association (ABA) Approval Commission, Chicago, IL. (August 8, 2012 - Present).

AAfPE Representative to the ABA Approval Commission, American Bar Association (ABA), Chicago, Illinois. (November 3, 2011 - Present).

Conference-Related, American Association for Paralegal Educators, Mount Royal, New Jersey. (November 1, 2010 - Present).

Committee Chair, Missouri Bar Association Paralegal Committee, Jefferson City, Missouri. (October 1, 2009 - Present).

Pro bono Legal Representative for Indigent Clients, Missouri Bar Association, Jefferson City, Missouri. (August 15, 2005 - Present).

Committee Member, Juvenile Justice Advisory Group, Jefferson City, Missouri. (October 7, 2003 - Present).

Chairperson, Missouri Bar Association Paralegal Committee, Jefferson City, MO. (January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012).

Reviewer, Grant Proposal, Juvenile Justice Advisory Group, Kansas City, MO. (July 28, 2011).

## **Public Service**

Committee Chair, Ladies Union Benevolent Association (LUBA), St. Joseph, Missouri. (October 1, 2012 - Present).

Committee Member, Ladies Union Benevolent Association (LUBA), St. Joseph, Missouri. (May 31, 2011 - Present).

Member, Buchanan County Social Welfare Board, St. Joseph, Missouri. (October 1, 2010 - Present).

Guest Speaker, Cotillion for Achievement, St. Joseph, Missouri. (January 30, 2013).

Officer, Treasurer, Northwest Missouri Children's Advocacy Center, St. Joseph, Missouri. (March 2007 - January 16, 2013).

Member, Show-Me Women Who Care, St. Joseph, Missouri. (November 1, 2009 - May 1, 2012).

Guest Speaker, Daughters of the American Revolution, St. Joseph, Missouri. (May 21, 2011).

Committee Member, Missouri Office of State Courts Administrator, Jefferson City, Missouri.  
(March 1, 2010 - March 1, 2011).

Committee Chair, Ladies Union Benevolent Association (LUBA), St. Joseph, Missouri. (January  
1, 2010 - December 31, 2010).

Member, Silent Samaritans of the Center, St. Joseph, Missouri. (May 1, 2009 - May 1, 2010).

Junior League, St. Joseph, Missouri. (May 1, 2007).

Board Member, St. Joseph Chapter of the YWCA, St. Joseph, Missouri. (April 2004 - April 2007).

Committee Chair, Cotillion for Achievement, St. Joseph, Missouri. (January 1, 2005 - April 1,  
2007).

Volunteer, Buchanan County Restorative Justice Planning Committee, St. Joseph, Missouri.  
(January 2002 - 2005).

Board Member, The Window, Inc., Saint Joseph, MO. (May 2002 - October 2005).

## **Awards and Honors**

### **Service, Community**

James J. Scanlon Award for Faculty Service to the Community, Missouri Western State  
University Foundation. (April 29, 2014).

### **Service, Professional**

American Bar Association Service Recognition, American Bar Association - Standing Committee  
on Paralegals - Approval Commission. (May 5, 2015).

### **Service, University**

Award of Appreciation, Legal Studies Association. (December 6, 2010).

Outstanding Instructor, Celebrating the Human Spirit (Disability Services Coordinator). (April 23,  
2007).