SAMANTHA FUNK

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO LAW SCHOOL – Boulder, CO

Legal Writing Professor, August 2024 to present

Visiting Legal Writing Professor, July 2023 to July 2024

- Teach Legal Writing to first-year law students.
- Design curricula, prepare instructional materials, and provide feedback to students.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON – Seattle, WA

Title IX Investigator, November 2022 – May 2023; May 2017 – May 2018

- Investigate complaints made to the university alleging violations of the university's student code of conduct, Title IX regulations, and nondiscrimination policies
- Prepare written reports and participate in administrative proceedings related to such complaints

DAVIS WRIGHT TREMAINE LLP – Seattle, WA

Trial Associate, February 2015 – April 2017

- Defended clients in False Claims Act cases, class actions, and general litigation, including drafting and arguing motions, managing discovery, and taking and defending depositions
- Represented sexual assault victims pro bono in criminal cases to obtain protective orders against the release of their mental health records

DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP – Seattle, WA

Trial Associate, November 2010 – February 2015

- Defended clients in class actions, franchise disputes, and general commercial litigation
- Drafted appellate briefs for the Ninth Circuit, Federal Circuit, and Washington Court of Appeals

THE GLOBAL FUND TO FIGHT AIDS, TUBERCULOSIS & MALARIA – Geneva, Switzerland Legal Intern, January – April 2009

- Conducted research, drafted memoranda, and prepared talking points for the Executive Director regarding the Global Fund's privileges and immunities
- Conducted research regarding the legal status of several international organizations

COMMUNITY LEGAL EDUCATION CENTER - Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Legal Intern, Land and Natural Resources Law Project, May – August 2008

- Met with communities affected by illegal land-grabbing and advocated on their behalf
- Produced report on the procedure for filing complaints with the UN Human Rights Council

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN LAW SCHOOL, Ann Arbor, MI Juris Doctor, *December 2009*

- Articles Editor, Michigan Journal of Gender and Law
- Certificate of Merit Award, International Refugee Law

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Seattle, WA Bachelor of Arts and Sciences, Women Studies Major, Human Rights Minor, *June 2005*

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

Admissions: U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington, 2011

U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 2012

Activities: Member, Legal Writing Institute, January 2024-present

Member, Association of Legal Writing Directors, October 2024-present

LANGUAGE: Working proficiency in Spanish