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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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### **University of Colorado Law School, Boulder, CO**

Clinical Assoc. Professor, Director, American Indian Law Clinic, July 2022- Present

- Builds and manages an Indigenous-centered docket for student attorneys to grow legal and practical skills
- Manages and supervises student attorneys, legal work, and attorney-client relationships
- Teaches and facilitates seminar classes in pedagogical federal Indian and international law

Director, Constitution Day, June 2023-Present

- Organizes Constitution Day activities including student teaching in local high schools; a lecture at a state university; and publishing a university-wide quiz to increase engagement with modern Constitutional issues

American Indian Law Lecturer, Upward Bound, June-July 2024

- Developed and taught a high school level legal curriculum to introduce students to the legal foundations of federal Indian and tribal law; to develop and practice basic legal skills like case briefing, legal analysis, and persuasive writing; and to expose students to potential careers in the field

Adjunct Faculty, January-May 2022

- Taught American Indian Law II, a course focusing on federal Indian law and tribal law relating to land use, resource development, jurisdictional issues, and other related matters

Interim Director of the American Indian Law Clinic, January -May 2021

- Managed and supervised student attorney-client relationships and legal work with Indigenous Peoples
- Taught and facilitated seminar classes in pedagogical federal Indian and international law

### **First Peoples Worldwide, Boulder, CO**

Director of Operations, August 2020-July 2022

- Developed and implemented international advocacy to parallel programmatic initiatives to support sovereignty of Indigenous Peoples and mainstream self-determination in business, law, and finance sectors
- Supervised and facilitated student internship and externship program, developing pathways to professional experience in this field as well as mentorship
- Supervised and executed operational strategy, including development and fundraising reports

### **Wagenlander & Heisterkamp, LLC, Denver, CO**

Associate Attorney, June 2016-August 2020

- Provided legal representation to regional public housing agencies and tribally-designated housing entities through litigation, policy making, contracting, dispute resolution and public policy development

### **Getches-Wilkinson Center for Natural Resources, Energy and the Environment, Boulder, CO**

Getches-Wyss Fellow, August 2015-June 2016

- Conducted research and produced academic papers on legal remedies for violence against Native women, treaty fishing rights, and Indigenous rights under international law
- Provided legal counsel to United Nations client on international indigenous issues
- Taught and advised students in the LLM Natural Resources program and American Indian Law Clinic

## **EDUCATION**

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### **University of Colorado School of Law, J.D., Boulder, CO**

Juris Doctor, 2015

American Indian Law Certificate

*Activities:* Native American Law Student Association (Treasurer), OUTLaw (Treasurer)

**The Johns Hopkins University**, Baltimore, MD

Bachelor of Arts, 2012

Writing Seminars (major), English (minor), Spanish for the Professions (minor)

*Activities:* The Johns Hopkins News-Letter (Editor-in-Chief), Pi Beta Phi Fraternity for Women (Vice President of Communications)

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

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- American Indian Law Clinic
- American Indian Law II
- Advanced Clinical Practicum
- Introduction to American Indian Law

## **SELECTED GRANTS**

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- University of Colorado Office for Public and Community-Engaged Scholarship Grant 2024, \$5,000 (awarded to support clinical voting rights project outreach)
- Center for Native American and Indigenous Studies Outreach Grant 2024, \$3,000 (awarded to support clinical voting rights project outreach)
- University of Colorado Outreach Grant 2022, \$5,000 (awarded to support clinical voting rights project outreach)

## **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

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- *Town Hall - Discussing the Politics of Leadership* - Presidents Leadership Class program (2024)
- *Extraction and Violence* - Legislative Writing, Analysis, and Policy course in the Masters of Environment program (2024)
- *The Power of the Indigenous Vote: Legal History and Modern Advocacy*, Fort Lewis College and Boulder Public Library (2024)
- *Empowering Native Voices*, National Campus Compact24 program: Now is the Moment Higher Education Civic & Community Engagement as the Way Forward (2024) [invited poster representing CU Boulder engagement]
- *Community Engaged Work, Polarization, and Public Trust*, Office for Public and Community-Engaged Scholarship (2024)
- *Indigenous Peoples, Native Nations, and the Supreme Court: Current cases and How We Got Here* - Colorado Law Mini Law School (2024)
- *Decolonizing helping professions* - University of Denver Masters of Social Work clinical program (2022)
- *Indigenous Peoples, business, autonomy and the human rights principles of due diligence, including free, prior, and informed consent* - United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues side event hosted by Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in New York (2022)
- *Indigenous Peoples: Their Rights and Fights* - DEI Training for Johnson Controls (2021)
- *Shareholder Advocacy and Leadership Training* - Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin (2021)
- *Indigenous Collective Rights and the OAS System* - Batani Foundation and Aborigin Forum (2021)
- *Underlying Causes of Crime in Our Communities* - National American Indian Housing Coalition Crime Prevention Summit (2020)
- *Sustaining Your Development Capacity and Contract Management as TDHEs* - United Native American Housing Association Maintenance Training (2019)
- *Marijuana and Indian Country: An Overview of the Current Legal Framework and its Impacts on Housing* - National American Indian Housing Coalition Legal Symposium (2017)
- *Sexual Harassment: Policies and Practice for Your Tribally-Designated Housing Entity* - National American Indian Housing Counsel Legal Symposium (2016)
- *Indigenous Operationalization and Implementation of UNDRIP's Free, Prior, and Informed Consent* - United Nations Human Rights Council (2015)

## SCHOLARSHIP

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- Kate R. Finn and Christina A.W. Stanton, *The (Un)just Use of Transition Minerals: How Efforts to Achieve a Net-Zero Carbon Economy Continue to Violate Indigenous Rights*, 33 *COLO. ENV'T. L. J.* 341 (2022)

## LAW SCHOOL SERVICE

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- Chair of the Peer Review committee (2024-2025)
- Member of the Peer Review committee (2023-2024)
- Member of the Leaders in Law and Community (LILAC) committee (2023-2025)

## SELECTED PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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- Member of Subcommittee on Curricular/In-Classroom Voter Education, All in Democracy Challenge Campus Action Plan (2024)
  - Coordinated law student visits to campus classes to provide voter registration information to over 6,000 undergraduates
- Pro Bono legal representation in LGBT discrimination matters; housing discrimination; non-profit formation; employment [50 hours per year] (2020-present)
- Board Member, Center for Native American and Indigenous Studies, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO (2024)
- Core faculty member, Center for Native American and Indigenous Studies, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO (2024)
- Volunteer Brief Judge, The National Native American Law Student Association Moot Court (2024)
- Democracy and higher education fellow, Center for Outreach and Engagement, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO (2023-2024)
- Affiliate member, Center for Native American and Indigenous Studies, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO (2022)
- Volunteer Oral Argument Judge, The National Native American Law Student Association Moot Court (2022)
- The Blue Bench, Sexual Assault Hotline Volunteer, Denver, CO (2017-2020)
- National Indian Law Library, Legal Volunteer, Boulder, CO (2012-2015)
- The GLBT Center, Legal Volunteer, Denver, CO (2011-2012)
- The Marshall- Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project, Student Teacher, Boulder, CO (2013-2014)
- The Esperanza Center, Legal Translator, Baltimore, MD (2012)
- Jail Tutorial Project, Student Teacher, Baltimore, MD (2009-2012)

## BAR ADMISSIONS

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- State of Colorado (2015-Present)
- U.S. District Court for the State of Colorado (2020)
- Northern Ponca Tribal Court (2019-2020)
- Spirit Lake Tribal Court (2018-2020)
- Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Court (2018-2020)
- Crow Creek Sioux Tribal Court (2017-2020)
- Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Court (2016-2020)

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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- AALS Clinical Legal Conference (2023)
- Clinical Legal Education Association's New Clinicians Conference (2023)
- Tribal In-House Counsel Association Conference (2022-2023)
- Federal Bar Association Indian Law Conference (2014-2016; 2022)

## **MEMBERSHIP AND AFFILIATIONS**

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- Member, American Bar Association
- Member, Boulder Bar Association
- Member, Colorado Bar Association
- Member, Colorado LGBT+ Bar Association
- Member, Tribal In-House Counsel Association

## **AWARDS**

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- Libby Cook Faculty Fellow (2024-2025)
- Excellence in Community Service, Colorado Law Faculty & Staff Awards (2024)