MATTHEW R. CUSHING

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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL, J.D., *magna cum laude, Order of the Coif* May 2010
Honors: UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW REVIEW, *Senior Editor*, *Associate Editor*
Oscar Milton Davis Prize: awarded for obtaining the highest third-year GPA
Silverman-Rodin Scholar: half-tuition scholarship awarded for achievement and leadership

BOSTON COLLEGE, B.A., *summa cum laude*, International Studies May 2007
Honors: Phi Beta Kappa; Dean's list, First Honors 2003-2007
Thesis: *Freedom in Sight: Economic Development as the Vehicle for Democracy in Russia*

CLERKSHIPS

THE HON. DOUGLAS P. WOODLOCK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT, DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS,
Boston, MA 2011-2012

THE HON. ANDREW J. KLEINFELD, U.S. COURT OF APPEALS, NINTH CIRCUIT,
Fairbanks, AK 2010-2011

TEACHING

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO LAW SCHOOL, Boulder, CO
Teaching Assistant Professor
Appellate Advocacy Practicum 2020-present
Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project 2020-present
Advanced Appellate Advocacy 2025-present
Externship Program Summer 2021 & 2022

Lecturer
Appellate Advocacy Practicum 2019-2020
Education and the Constitution 2019-2020
Advanced Appellate Advocacy 2017-2019

UNIVERSITY OF DENVER STURM COLLEGE OF LAW, Denver, CO 2018-2019
Adjunct Professor – Appellate Advocacy

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL, Philadelphia, PA 2009-2010
Arthur Littleton and H. Clayton Louderback Legal Writing Instructor

SERVICE

Co-Chair, Teaching Faculty Reappointment and Promotion Committee (2025-present)
Co-Chair, Judicial Clerkship Advisors Committee (2024-present)
Member, Norlin Scholarship Application Review Committee (University committee) (2024-present)
Member, Academic and Student Affairs Committee (2023-present)
Member, Teaching Faculty Reappointment and Promotion Committee (2023-present)
Member, Judicial Clerkship Advisors Committee (2022-present)
Director, Summer Session (2022-2024)
Director, Colorado Chapter of National Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project (2019-present)
Organizer, Colorado Regional High School Moot Court Competition (2019-present)
Organizer, National Marshall-Brennan Moot Court Competition (2022)
Member, External Affairs Group (2019-present)
Advisor, Moot Court and Barristers' Council (2019-2023)
Director, University of Colorado Law School Mini Law School Program (2019-present)

Member, International Programs Committee (2020-2022)
Organizer, Ethics and Compliance in the Post-Pandemic World (Executive Education, 2021)
Organizer, Cannabis Entrepreneurship Academy (Executive Education, 2021)
Organizer, Cannabis Entrepreneurship Webinar (Executive Education, 2020)
Organizer, Compliance Short Course (Executive Education, 2020)
Organizer, Cannabis Entrepreneurship Short Course (Executive Education, 2020)

SELECTED WORK EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO LAW SCHOOL, Boulder, CO
Director of Executive and Community Learning Programs 2019-present

Organized state-wide high school moot court competition as head of the Colorado chapter of the Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project; worked with judges, volunteers, and law students to create and run competition and select six high school students to represent Colorado in the national Marshall-Brennan moot court competition in Washington, D.C.

Organized eight-week Mini Law School lecture series for non-lawyers; developed theme for each semester's lecture series and recruited faculty; marketed program to high school teachers, college pre-law advisors, courtroom interpreters, and paralegal organizations around the country as well as local Colorado communities.

Covered job responsibilities of Director of the Schaden Experiential Learning Program during 2021 and 2022 summer sessions; supported law students in summer externships at non-profits and government agencies; ensured compliance with ABA and law school rules; assisted law students in developing their professional identities in their placements through assigned reflection papers and facilitated dialogues with supervising attorneys.

Founded Colorado Law Executive Education program; worked with faculty to develop custom programs to serve the educational and development needs of large organizations, General Counsel, startups, and individuals from across the globe; marketed programs to directors, executives and founders, in-house counsel, bar associations, and attorneys.

JONES DAY, Columbus, OH 2016-2017
Associate, Issues and Appeals Group

Briefed numerous cases before state and federal trial and intermediate appellate courts, and before the Ohio and U.S. Supreme Courts, on behalf of both private and state-official clients. Briefed and argued *Tanner v. Yukins*, No. 15-1691, before the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, resulting in a 3-0 decision granting Ms. Tanner a writ of habeas corpus and release from prison after 17 years of wrongful imprisonment for a crime she did not commit.

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, Columbus, OH 2014-2015
Simon Karas Fellow, Appeals Section

Briefed numerous cases before the United States and Ohio Supreme Courts on behalf of various state agencies and the Attorney General. Argued *State v. Terrance Brown*, No. 2014-0104, before the Ohio Supreme Court as *amicus curiae* on behalf of the Attorney General, and *Federer v. Ohio Department of Natural Resources*, No. 15-AP-000104, before the Tenth District Court of Appeals on behalf of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources.

BOIES, SCHILLER & FLEXNER LLP, Armonk, NY 2012-2014
Associate

Represented 50% owner of largest privately-held domestic beverage company in two-month-long valuation trial; first and second-chaired multiple depositions; drafted numerous motions to compel and other discovery motions and letter briefs; drafted substantive and dispositive motions, oppositions and reply briefs, including numerous appellate briefs to New York's intermediate appellate division.

Represented owners of closely held national propane company in multi-day dissolution trial; second chaired portions of trial; prepared witnesses for trial testimony, and drafted witness direct and cross examination outlines; worked with outside vendors to create opening statement presentation.

CRAVATH, SWAINE & MOORE, New York, NY Summer 2009
Summer Associate
Researched and wrote client letters, memoranda, and motions in the firm's litigation department; led team of summer associates and paralegals in large pre-trial preparation project for multi-billion dollar trial in Texas; and acted as lead New York summer associate liaison to Texas trial site.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL, Philadelphia, PA 2009-2010
Member, Supreme Court Clinic
One of eight students selected by faculty for year-long clinic; researched and wrote memoranda, certiorari petitions, oppositions to certiorari, reply briefs for petitioners, and merits briefs in cases including *Padilla* v. *Kentucky*, No. 08-651.

BAR ADMISSIONS

Colorado; New York; Ohio (inactive)
United States Supreme Court
United States Courts of Appeals for the Sixth, Ninth, and Tenth Circuits