

DAVID W. AUSTIN

CALIFORNIA WESTERN SCHOOL OF LAW

EXPERIENCE

California Western School of Law / August 2009 to present

Legal Writing Professor

Courses taught: Legal Skills I and II (legal research, writing, and appellate advocacy);
Internship Seminar

University of Cagliari (Sardinia, Italy), Faculty of Jurisprudence / Summer 2013

Visiting Professor

Courses taught: Legal English and Global Legal Skills in Context

Schoeman Updike Kaufman & Scharf, Chicago, Illinois / March 2008 to present

Of Counsel

Representation of Fortune 500 companies in commercial litigation cases, including
product liability defense work.

National Immigrant Justice Center, Chicago, Illinois / Fall 2007 to Winter 2008

Supervising Attorney and Interim Director, Asylum and Refugee Project

Represented asylum-seekers and refugees in immigration court proceedings. Trained and supervised an extensive network of *pro bono* attorneys. Coordinated law student externship program. Designed continuing legal education programs addressing various immigration law topics.

The John Marshall Law School, Chicago, Illinois / Spring Semester 2007

Adjunct Professor of Law

Courses Taught: Lawyering Skills II (persuasive writing and appellate advocacy)

Jenner & Block, LLP, Chicago, Illinois / 2003 to 2006

Associate, Litigation Department

Involved in all phases of numerous commercial litigation and class-action lawsuits.
Broad experience drafting motions and appellate briefs.

Supreme Court of the State of Hawai'i / 2001 to 2003

Judicial Clerk to the Hon. Chief Justice Ronald T.Y. Moon

Drafted majority, concurring, and dissenting opinions in civil and criminal appeals.
Researched legal issues and prepared bench memos for justices.

Midwest Immigrant & Human Rights Center, Chicago, Illinois / Fall 2001

Student Extern

Counseled asylum-seekers, prepared country condition reports, and assisted individuals in obtaining relief from deportation.

Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Inc. / Summer 2000

Public Interest Law Initiative (PILI) Intern

Drafted amicus brief in *Yang v. City of Chicago*, 745 N.E.2d 541 (Ill. 2001), a case of first impression on a certified question regarding the Illinois Tort Immunity Act.

U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of Illinois / Spring Semester 2000

Student Extern

Researched legal issues on a variety of topics and represented government in misdemeanor cases.

Purcell & Wardrope, Chartered, Chicago, Illinois / Spring 1999

Law Clerk

Conducted legal research and assisted in briefing appellate insurance cases.

Federal Election Commission, Washington, DC / Summer 1999

Summer Associate

Researched First Amendment issues involving campaign fundraising through religious organizations, analyzed effect of Religious Freedom Restoration Act on provisions of Federal Election Campaign Act, and pursued probable cause findings against a number of respondents.

City of Chicago, Corporation Counsel / Summer 1998

Summer Associate

Researched legal issues affecting the municipality, including application of market-share liability theory to gun manufacturers and constitutionality of City's anti-peddling ordinances, drafted legal memoranda and participated in various phases of litigation involving racial discrimination in hiring and promotion of City police officers.

EDUCATION

The John Marshall Law School, Chicago, Illinois

Juris Doctor, cum laude, 2001 - Class Rank 4/94

Order of John Marshall

Staff Editor, *The John Marshall Law Review*

Stouder Memorial Merit Scholarship

Justinian Society of Lawyers' Lambruschi Memorial Scholarship

University of Maryland/European Division

Bachelor of Arts in History, 1995

PUBLICATIONS

David W. Austin & Mark E. Wojcik, *Global Aspects of HIV/AIDS*, in *AIDS AND THE LAW* 10-1 (David W. Webber, ed., Wolters Kluwer Law & Business, 4th ed. 2014)

David W. Austin, *Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity*, 48 *INT'L LAW*. 489 (2014).

David W. Austin, *Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity*, 47 *INT'L LAW*. 469 (2013).

David W. Austin, *Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity*, 46 *INT'L LAW*. 447 (2012).

David W. Austin, Qiang Bjornbak, Josh D. Friedman, *Immigration and Naturalization Law*, 45 *Int'l Law*. 329 (2011)

David Austin, *Analysis of order preliminarily enjoining Arizona S.B. 1070*, 38 *Ill. State Bar Ass'n Human Rights Section Newsletter* No. 1, 1 (Aug. 2011).

David W. Austin, Paul Johnson & Mark E. Wojcik, *Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity*, 44 *Int'l Law*. 547 (2010)

Mark E. Wojcik, Javier Zenteno Gomez, Jorge G. De Presno & David W. Austin, *Regional & Comparative Law: Mexico*, 44 *Int'l Law*. 701 (2010)

Observations on Illinois Legislation to Eliminate the Death Penalty, *The Globe (Illinois State Bar Association International and Immigration Law Section Council Newsletter)*, Vol. 45, no. 9 (June 2008)

Section Members Promote Careers in International Law, *The Globe (Illinois State Bar Association International and Immigration Law Section Council Newsletter)*, Vol. 45, no. 5 (January 2008)

The Clergy Communications Privilege, in TESTIMONIAL PRIVILEGES (3d ed., Thomson/West 2005) (co-author of treatise chapter)

Asylum based on 'Social Group', ABA International Law News, Vol. 35, no. 4 (Fall 2006)

Ruling On a Number of Business-Related Issues, Nat'l L.J., Oct. 24, 2005

Illinois Groups Turn to International Bodies for Assistance in Promoting Human Rights, Illinois State Bar Association, 35 Human Rights No. 2 (Sept. 2005)

Sarah R. Marmor and David W. Austin, *The Use of Toxicology in Tort Litigation: A Survey of Federal and State Jurisdictions* (Survey of 10th Circuit jurisprudence) (ABA monograph 2005)

Punitive Damages: The Current Unsettled State of Constitutional Limitations on the Permissible Ratio of Punitive Damages to Actual Damages, Illinois State Bar Association, 49 Trial Briefs No. 5 (Mar. 2004)

F. Trautmann, D. Austin, G. Serpelloni, *Self-help organizations as an HIV-prevention tool among drug users* in HEROIN: HIV INFECTION AND CORRELATED PATHOLOGIES (Edizioni Leonard 1995) (in Italian)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Pride and Prejudice: LGBT Rights Around the World, Seminar for Floresta Longo Foundation, Catania (Sicily), Italy (June 25, 2016)

Intersections of Italian Law, Literature, Art, and Culture, XIth Global Legal Skills Conference, Verona, Italy (May 24-26, 2016)

Teaching Legal Skills in English in an Italian Law School (with Prof. Giovanni Coinu (University of Cagliari Faculty of Law, Italy)), XIth Global Legal Skills Conference, Verona, Italy (May 24-26, 2016)

Law and Love in the Veneto, Closing Keynote Address, IXth Global Legal Skills Conference, Verona, Italy (May 21-23, 2014)

Forza Patris!: Teaching Human Rights and Legal English in Sardinia, (with Prof. Ilenia Ruggiu, University of Cagliari Faculty of Law (Sardinia, Italy)), IXth Global Legal Skills Conference, Verona, Italy (May 21-23, 2014)

A Cross Culture: Contrasting Approaches to Regulating the Display of Religious Symbols in Public Classrooms, Mare Nostrum Conference, University of Cagliari Law School (June 21, 2012)

A Matter of Life or Death: How to Help 1Ls Understand the Importance of Rules of Statutory Construction and Persuasive Writing With the Help of Undocumented Immigrants, 15th Biennial Conference of the Legal Writing Institute, Palm Desert, California (May 29 – June 2, 2012)

A Cross Culture: Contrasting Approaches to Regulating the Display of Religious Symbols in Public Classrooms, International Workshop on Global Trends in Law and Religion in the 21st Century, Lucerne, Switzerland (November 18-19, 2011)

Being Out in the Workplace, California Western School of Law, panel moderator (Oct. 11, 2011)

Courtroom Observations on Trial, 7th Biennial Central States Regional Legal Writing Conference, Chicago, Illinois (Sept. 16-17, 2011) (with Prof. Ruth Hargrove)

Roundtable Discussion on Legal Culture and Legal Education in Italy, Global Legal Skills Conference VI, Chicago, Illinois (May 6, 2011) (with Prof. Giovanni Coinu)

What We Can Learn From Our Students: Reflections on Student Reflections, 11th Annual Rocky Mountain Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada (March 25-26, 2011)

Developments in International Law: 2010 Year in Review, Annual Meeting of the AALS, San Francisco, California (Jan. 5-8, 2011)

World AIDS Day Event, guest speaker on panel at The John Marshall Law School (Nov. 30, 2010)

Out at Work, guest speaker on panel at The John Marshall Law School (Nov. 10, 2010)

Guest Lecturer for the American Bar Association's Rule of Law Initiative in Egypt, Legal Skills for Foreign Lawyers, University of Cairo and Cairo Arbitration Center (April 26 – May 4, 2009)

Guest Lecturer, Introduction to Discovery in the American Legal System, International Law Institute, Washington, D.C. (July 7, 2008)

Effective Advocacy for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Illinois State Bar Association, Chicago, Illinois (Coordinator of CLE program) (Feb. 29, 2008)

Representing Asylum Seekers, Lord Locke Bissell, Chicago, IL (Nov. 27, 2007)

Pathways to Employment in International Law, Northwestern University School of Law, Chicago, Illinois (Oct. 17, 2007)

The Impact of 9/11 on Immigration Policy, The John Marshall Law School, Chicago, Illinois (Sept. 11, 2007).

Guest Lecturer, Introduction to the U.S. Discovery Process, Facultad Libre de Derecho de Monterrey, Mexico (June 28, 2007).

Guest Lecturer, Introduction to the U.S. Discovery Process, University of Lucerne Faculty of Law, Switzerland ((May 12, 2007).

Outreach Model for HIV Prevention Among Italian Intravenous Drug Users. X International AIDS Conference, Yokohama Japan (1994). Abstract available at <http://www.aegis.com/conferences/iac/1994/PD0503.html>

Straight Talk and Cocktails: Young People's Awareness Levels Regarding HIV, Heterosexual Risk and the Role of Alcohol and Non-Injectable Drugs. IX International AIDS Conference, Berlin Germany (1993). Abstract available at <http://gateway.nlm.nih.gov/MeetingAbstracts/ma?f=102206776.html>

LEADERSHIP

Global Legal Skills Conference 2016, Italy
Conference Co-Chair

Legal Writing Institute
Professional Status Committee

Global Legal Skills Conference 2014, Italy
Conference Co-Chair

Association of Legal Writing Directors
Delegate, California Western School of Law

American Constitution Society,
Board of Directors, San Diego Lawyer Chapter

Global Legal Skills Conference 2013, Costa Rica
Planning Committee

Legal Writing Institute
Biennial Conference Site Planning Committee (2010-12)

The International Lawyer
Deputy Editor, International Law Year-in-Review (2008-2010)

American Bar Association

Section of International Law, Membership Committee (2010)

Illinois State Bar Association

Section on International and Immigration Law, Section Council Member (2009-2010)

Task Force on Diversity (2009-2010)

Third Annual Conference on Unaccompanied Immigrant Minors (March 2008)

Planning Committee

Chicago Bar Association

Chair, Civil Rights Committee 2005; Vice-chair, Civil Rights Committee 2004

Gay and Lesbian Legal Alliance, The John Marshall Law School

President, 2000-2001 (honored as student organization of the year)

LANGUAGES

Italian (native fluency)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Before embarking on a legal career, I worked in the health and social work field in Italy. In 1989, I was employed by Progetto Exodus, a program funded by the Istituto Don Calabria (a Catholic religious order), as a residential counselor in a rehabilitation program for heroin users. During the two years of my employ, I noticed that a majority of the clients were testing positive for HIV+. The lack of services for people with HIV and AIDS, and the discrimination these individuals faced, led me to establish the Vicenza branch of a national AIDS NGO (Lega Italiana per la Lotta all'AIDS - LILA). In 1992, I was employed by LILA to establish prevention and care programs and to organize international seminars and conferences on various aspects of the AIDS pandemic in collaboration with the European Council of AIDS Service Organizations (EuroCASO) and with funding from the European Union. From 1991-1995, I served on the board of the EuroCASO as an elected representative of Southern European AIDS NGOs. In 1994, I was hired by the Italian National Health Ministry to work with the local health department in Verona, where I helped promote information hotlines and prevention programs targeting drug users and migrant sex workers.