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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Baylor Law School, Waco, Texas

Assistant Professor of Law, March 2024 – present

Legal Writing Lecturer, January 2020 – July 2023

Adjunct Professor, February 2018-May 2018; November 2018 – December 2019

Teaching (current):

Doing Business with State and Local Governments; Contract Drafting and Negotiation; Commercial Lending Transactions; Transactional Drafting (LARC 4)

Service:

Faculty Appointments Committee, Member (2025-); Career Development Committee, Co-Chair (2024-); Curriculum Committee, Member (2024-2025), Vice-Chair (2025-); Belonging and Community Engagement Committee (2024-); Faculty Scholarship and Collaboration (2024-); Strategic Planning Committee (2024); Professional Development Program Committee (2020-2023); Academic Support Committee (2021-2022); Long-Range Plan Implementation and Monitoring Committee (2021-2022); Student Relations Committee (2020-2021); Faculty Advisor for various moot court and negotiation competitions; Faculty Advisor for student-directed research and law review notes; Faculty Advisor for Baylor Law Real Estate and Construction student group.

SCHOLARSHIP

Fossil-Fueled Failure: How Nonrenewable Energy Policy Will Cost the United States the AI Race, 26 Duke L. & Tech. Rev. 127 (2026)

Argues that as global competition for artificial intelligence (AI) intensifies, the United States is underperforming, not for lack of technological expertise, but due to critical limitations in its electricity infrastructure resulting from population growth, rising industrial demand, regulatory inefficiencies, and discontinuation of support for renewable energy. Reviews recent policy shifts under the Trump Administration, including executive orders and the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, which have emphasized nonrenewable energy development and reduced incentives for wind and solar, undermining renewable adoption despite its well-documented environmental, economic, and long-term strategic benefits. Argues that the United States will lag behind China, its biggest competitor in the AI race, because of China's active modernization of its energy infrastructure, including renewable and nonrenewable sources. Proposes policy and legislative recommendations for mitigating the One Big Beautiful Bill Act's adverse effects through enhanced state and local

government initiatives and regulatory adjustments to continue to support necessary renewable energy investment.

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Land Use Law in the United States

- Chiang Mai University, January 2026, virtual presentation

The Future of Community Development, Panelist

- Association of American Law Schools Annual Conference, January 2026, New Orleans, Louisiana

Environmental Law and Natural Resources and Energy Law Joint Works-in-Progress

- Association of American Law Schools Annual Conference, January 2026, New Orleans, Louisiana

Fossil-Fueled Failure: How Nonrenewable Energy Policy Will Cost the United States the AI Race

- Texas Junior Scholars Conference, December 2025, Baylor Law School

Precedent, Templates, and Technology: Tools for Transactional Drafting

- Lone Star Regional Legal Writing Conference, April 2025, Baylor Law School

Teaching and Fostering Professional Identity in a Nation Undergoing an Identity Crisis

- Lone Star Regional Legal Writing Conference, April 2025, Baylor Law School
- Baylor University Symposium on Faith and Culture, October 2024, Baylor University

The Collision of Texas's Electrical Grid, Generative AI, and the Permian Basin

- Northeastern University School of Law Junior Scholars Conference, February 2025, Boston, Massachusetts

Texas LLC Formation: TBOC Provisions that Might Surprise Your Clients, Kayla Landeros and Baili Rhodes

- Texas Bar Journal, November 2024

Contract Drafting & Negotiation

- Texas Bar CLE for In-House Counsel, Summer 2024, San Antonio, Texas

Individual Members and Partners: Getting Granular

- UT CLE on LLCs, LPs, and Partnerships, Summer 2024, Austin, Texas

Contract Drafting Building Blocks: Breach, Remedies, & Dispute Resolution

- Business Drafting Workshop: LLCs Program, Fall 2023, Online

Ethics in the Age of AI

- Texas MCLE 32nd Annual LLCs, LPs, and Partnerships, Summer 2023, Austin, Texas

Keeping Your Contract Out of the Courtroom: Contractual Rules for Drafting Partnership and Operating Agreements

- Texas MCLE 29th Annual LLCs LPs, and Partnerships, Summer 2020, Austin, Texas

EDUCATION

Baylor Law School, Juris Doctorate, May 2008

Graduated *cum laude*; Baylor Law Review; Dean's List; Order of Barristers

Texas A&M University, Bachelor of Arts, May 2005

Graduated *summa cum laude*, majored in Speech Communication and English

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

West, Webb, Allbritton & Gentry, P.C., Temple, Texas

Partner and Senior Counsel, October 2020 – May 2024

Naman, Howell, Smith & Lee, Waco, Texas

Member, August 2019-October 2020

City of Temple, Texas

City Attorney and Deputy City Attorney, May 2012-December 2019

SERVICE

Waco-McLennan County Bar Association, Board Member (2025)

Temple Chamber of Commerce, Board Member (2022-2023), Chair (2024), and Past-Chair (2025)

United Way of Central Texas, Board Member (2019-2023), Chair (2024), and Past-Chair (2025)