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Bar Admission

Maryland State Bar, December 2016 (CPF number 1612140208)

Education

University of Maryland, College Park, College Park, MD

Master of Library and Information Science, December, 2025

University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law, Baltimore, MD

Juris Doctor, *Cum Laude*, May 2015

University of Maryland, College Park, College Park, MD

Bachelor of Arts in Government and Politics, *Cum Laude*, May 2011

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa, Dean's Academic Scholar

Professional Associations

Maryland State Bar Association

MSBA AI Task Force, Co-Chair

American Association of Law Librarians

Government Law Libraries SIS, Member, Chair of Awards Committee

2026 Annual Meeting Planning Committee, Member

Maryland Judiciary

Artificial Intelligence Governance Subcommittee, Member

Publications

Author, [Generative AI & Legal Research: A Mismatch?](#). *American Association of Law Libraries Spectrum*. May/June 2025 Technology & Innovation Issue.

Contributor, [An Overview of Ethical Considerations for Attorney Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence Technologies](#). Published April, 2025, by the Maryland State Bar Association.

Contributor, [Templates for a Law Firm Policy on the Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence](#). Published November, 2025, by the Maryland State Bar Association.

Experience

Thurgood Marshall State Law Library, Maryland Judiciary, Annapolis, MD

Head of Web Content and Services, September 2017 – Present

- Oversee all aspects of Library information technology solutions, including the intranet, Library website, and the People's Law Library.
- Provide research services to Justices, Judges, and Law Clerks, including legislative history, rules history, and regulatory research.
- People's Law Library
 - o Project manager for complete website redesign.
 - o Continually publishing new content as well as revising and updating existing articles.
 - o Redesign and content improvements doubled user traffic to 2+ million annually.
 - o Site feature enhancements resulted in 65% increase in reference interactions.
- Established and manage Library intranet and SharePoint sites.
- Redesigned and relaunched the Thurgood Marshall State Law Library website.
- Provide training to Judiciary staff.
- Foster Library outreach to the Bar and public through panels and presentations.
- Manage IT procurement projects from conception through contract management.
- Member – Maryland Judiciary Artificial Intelligence Workgroup

Administrative Office of the Courts, Maryland Judiciary, Annapolis, MD

Special Assistant to the State Court Administrator, June 2015 – September 2017

- Monitored, edited, and submitted Legislative Reports required by the General Assembly.
- Drafted Administrative Orders and other policy documents.
- Coordinated with the Chief Judge's staff on messaging and policy.
- Attended meetings on behalf of the State Court Administrator and provided feedback and impressions.
- Completed special projects, as assigned, that required legal research and/or writing.
- Conducted ad-hoc legal research on time sensitive questions.

Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County, Annapolis, MD

Paralegal, Office of Case Management, July 2013 – June 2015

- Reviewed and prepared files for judges presiding over pre-trial conferences.
- Analyzed pleadings and drafted appropriate Orders.
- Ensured attorney compliance with Court DCM Plans.
- Managed litigant interactions with the court.

Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County, Annapolis, MD

ADR Coordinator, May 2012 – June 2013

- Recruited and managed Court approved mediators.
- Implemented Civil Attorney Mediation Panel.
- Ensured litigant compliance with Court DCM plans.

Awards

- 2025 [LexisNexis John R. Johnson Memorial Scholarship](#)
- 2025 American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting & Conference Grant.
- 2025 American Association of Law Libraries, Government Law Libraries Special Interest Section Annual Meeting & Conference Grant.
- 2024 American Association of Law Libraries scholarship for law school graduate seeking Master of Library and Information Science degree.

Select Professional Appearances

Translating the Tech: Making GenAI Work for Court Operations

2026 National Association for Court Management Annual Conference
Session will guide participants through the process of managing an artificial intelligence technology implementation project from the court management perspective. Session will touch on effective communication, workforce considerations, and an accessible summary of the technology behind generative AI.

Practical AI Tools to Increase Efficiency for Legal Nonprofits

2025 ABA Forum on Building Access to Justice for All
Shared a spectrum of reasonably safe and trustworthy generative AI and automation tools and techniques that a range of legal services organizations can implement easily or with help from within the community.

How to Implement AI in your Court

2025 Mid-Atlantic Association for Court Management Annual Meeting
Presenters guided participants through the process of creating and updating guidelines and policies, educating and training staff, and provided an accessible summary of the technology behind generative AI.

Resistance Is NOT Futile: Strategies for Integrating a Critical AI Perspective in Libraries

2025 American Association of Law Librarians Annual Meeting
Presented a summary of Generative AI's affect on legal information searching behavior and discussed how libraries will need to respond to evolving user expectations.

Tech to Make You More Efficient: Leveraging Mainstream AI tools in Your Organization or Practice

2025 MSBA Legal Summit and Annual Meeting

Presented a real world use case for using NotebookLM for research. Also strongly advocated against lawyers using general chatbots for legal research and discussed the need for all firms to have policies addressing the use of Generative AI tools.

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Generative AI for Law Librarians

2025 Law Library Association of Maryland January Meeting

Presented a webinar on Generative AI for LLAM members, covering its functionality, effective prompting techniques, and applications in legal research. Session designed to engage participants of all experience levels, from beginners to advanced users.

People's Law Library Update and Generative AI for Law Librarians

2024 Conference of Maryland Court Law Librarians Annual Conference

Presented a session highlighting People's Law Library developments and highlighting ways Circuit Court law librarians can incorporate generative AI tools into their research and workflows.

Tech Tips and Practical AI, Part 2: A deep breath and a deeper dive

2024 ABA Forum on Building Access to Justice for All

Presentation highlighted a variety of tools featuring deep dives on how IOLTA funders could leverage generative AI tools to analyze programs and integrate AI tools into existing workflows.

Generative AI Seminar

2024 Hawaii State Bar Association Convention

Presentation provided an overview of generative AI, including descriptions and demonstrations of commercial and legal tools, a discussion of deep fakes, and how to craft more effective prompts.

Generative AI: Revolutionizing Efficiencies for Law Librarians

2024 American Association of Law Librarians Annual Meeting

Presented a concrete example of how generative AI tools can act in various roles to help law librarians expand their skills and solve problems in novel ways.

Practical Tech Tips – AI Edition

2024 MSBA Legal Summit and Annual Meeting

A presentation on practical, cost-effective AI tools for improving efficiency in legal and library work. Covered tools for content generation, text analysis, and multimedia translation, with a focus on enhancing productivity, data security, and service quality.

Law Library of Congress Collections Webinar

2024 Orientation to Law Library of Congress Collections

Presented an introduction to the collections of the Maryland State Law Library, including tips and suggestions for experience researchers.

We Sow, You Reap: Gathering a Bounty of Legal Information

2024 Maryland Library Association Annual Conference

Presented a session on effectively using legal reference materials including Court Help pages, the People's Law Library, and Frontlines Legal Reference training for public libraries.

Tech-Savvy: Tools, Tips, and Tricks for Tomorrow's Law Librarians

2024 Law Library Association of Maryland Legal Research Institute

Through real-world scenarios this presentation demonstrated a variety of tools and tips help law librarians stay at the forefront of legal information management.

Practical AI

2024 MSBA Solo and Small Firm Section

Presented webinar focused on useful day-to-day applications of generative artificial intelligence (AI).

40 Tech Tips and Practical AI

2023 ABA Forum on Building Access to Justice for All

Presented, to a nationwide audience, tools that may be useful in day-to-day work with a special focus on generative artificial intelligence tools and techniques.

Practical AI: Using AI for Administrative Functions in Bar Associations and Law Firms

2023 Mid-Atlantic Bar Conference

Presented on AI tools and how they may be safely and ethically used to improve office efficiency without negatively impacting attorney work product.

30 Tech Tips: Using Software, Hardware, Data, and AI in Law Practice

2023 MSBA Legal Summit and Annual Meeting

Presented information on emerging technologies with a special focus on AI and descriptions of scenarios where AI tools may be helpful in law practice.

Maryland Court Information Resources

2023 MLA/DLA Conference

Presented information on finding court forms, locating court help centers and videos, navigating the Maryland Courts and People's Law Library websites, and an overview of TMSLL services and resources.

Technology Tips for Solo and Small Firm Practice

2022 MSBA Solo and Small Firm Summit

Presented on practical technology tips and provided an overview of cybersecurity considerations necessary for safe remote law practice.

Independent Internet Research

2022 Maryland Judicial College

Provided judges and law clerks with strategies for locating accurate and reliable information online. Demonstrated library database and catalog resources.

Advancing Justice: Access and Navigate Maryland Legal Information, Court Tools, and Resources

2022 MLA/DLA Conference

Provided overview of legal resources of use to reference librarians in public libraries.

50 Tech Tips for Legal Services and Beyond!

2021 Partners for Justice Conference

Discussed ways legal service organizations can utilize emerging technology solutions to improve office efficiency and meet client needs.

Technology Tools to Increase Office Efficiency

2019 MSBA Solo Summit

Presented resources and tips for increasing productivity for solo and small firm practitioners.

Legal Information Resources at the Maryland State Law Library

2018 Special Libraries Association Conference

Provided Conference attendee's an overview of Library services and resources.

Hobbies and Interests

I am a technology hobbyist and tinkerer, constantly driving my family crazy with home automation projects and my quest for the perfect e-ink reader. I am a proud father of the youngest Maryland football season ticket holders and help coach youth baseball and softball.