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Teaching Experience

University of Texas School of Law, Austin, Texas

Senior Lecturer, *Aug. 2026 – present*

Teaching specialized upper-level legal writing courses and working closely with the Student Affairs Office on academic support including strategic support for bar exam preparation.

University of Georgia School of Law, Athens, Georgia

Legal Writing Lecturer, *Aug. 2024 – July 2026*

Legal Writing Instructor, *Aug. 2018 – July 2024*

Courses taught: Legal Writing I, Legal Writing II, Advanced Legal Writing Seminar (major revisions), Criminal Law Drafting (major revisions), Independent Study (various), Capstone Supervision, Supervised Research (various), Criminal Legal System Through Crime Books (created; undergraduate), Legislative Process and Drafting (co-created; co-taught online asynchronous professional/graduate), Transferring Legal Skills (created; professional/graduate)

University of Georgia School of Law, *Wilbanks Child Endangerment and Sexual Exploitation Clinic*, Athens, Georgia

Staff Attorney, *Dec. 2017 – July 2019*

Served as Staff Attorney for the clinic's personal injury and dependency cases. Had significant direct interaction with students including assigning work, maintaining progress on cases, debriefing after clinic activities, and reviewing written and oral work. Developed relationships with clients, opposing counsel, community attorneys, and other collaterals to provide a valuable clinic experience for students and legal experience for clients.

Distinctions and Engagement

- Carol A. Watson Award for Outstanding Legal Research or Writing Professor Award for Class of 2026
- Carol A. Watson Award for Outstanding Legal Research or Writing Professor Award for Class of 2025
- Participant, "Faculty Roles, Responsibilities, and Resources for Student Success," UGA Teaching Academy's Academic Affairs Faculty Symposium, Mar. 28-29, 2024
- 2023 American Association of Law Schools Teacher of the Year

- UGA Career Center Student Career Success Influencer Class of 2023
- Carol A. Watson Award for Outstanding Legal Research or Writing Professor Award for Class of 2023
- UGA Career Center Student Career Success Influencer Class of 2022
- Carol A. Watson Award for Outstanding Legal Research or Writing Professor Award for Class of 2022
- Participant, “Enhancing the Teaching and Learning Environment of Graduate Studies at UGA,” UGA Teaching Academy’s Academic Affairs Faculty Symposium, Mar. 18-19, 2022
- Office of Service-Learning Service-Learning Fellow, Aug. 2021 - Apr. 2022
- Creating a Sustainable Writing Practice Spring 2021 Cohort, Jan.- Apr. 2021
- Teaching Academy Fellow, Aug. 2020 - Apr. 2021
- Motivation Faculty Learning Community, Sept. 2020 - Apr. 2021
- 2019 Teaching Innovator at the School of Law
- Center for Teaching and Learning Writing Fellow, Aug. 2019 - Apr. 2020
- Metacognition Faculty Learning Community, Aug. 2019 - Mar. 2020

Grants

- Affordable Learning Georgia Continuous Improvement Grant Round 26, November 2024, \$4,000/\$2,000, Primary Investigator
- Affordable Learning Georgia Continuous Improvement Grant Round 21, March 2022, \$4,275/\$2,000, Primary Investigator
- University of Georgia Provost’s Affordable Course Materials Grant, January 2022, \$5,000/\$2,500, Primary Investigator
- Office of Service-Learning Service-Learning Fellow, August 2021, \$2,000/\$2,000, N/A
- Affordable Learning Georgia Continuous Improvement Grant Round 19, March 2021, \$2,600/\$2,000, Primary Investigator
- Affordable Learning Georgia Continuous Improvement Grant Round 18, \$4,075/\$2,000, Primary Investigator
- University of Georgia Provost’s Affordable Course Materials Grant, December 2019, \$5,000/\$4,000, Primary Investigator
- Center for Teaching and Learning Writing Fellow, Aug. 2019, \$1,000/\$1,000, N/A

Scholarly Publications and Papers

- Jean Mangan et al., *Legal Writing Manual* (4th ed. OpenALG 2025), <https://alg.manifoldapp.org/projects/legal-writing-manual>.
- Jean Mangan, *Law Excerpts Manual for Criminal Law Drafting 2024 edition* (OpenALG 2024) <https://alg.manifoldapp.org/projects/law-excerpts-manual-for-criminal-law-drafting>.

- Georgia Office of Bar Admissions and Jean Mangan, “Tips for Passing the Bar Exam” (2024). <https://www.gabaradmissions.org/tips>
- Mangan, J. G., & Dennis, A. L. (2023). Judicial threats to *Olmstead* and the Americans with disabilities act. *Psychiatric Services*. <https://doi.org/10.1176/appi.ps.20230397>
- Jean Mangan et al., *Legal Writing Manual* (3d ed. OpenALG 2022), <https://alg.manifoldapp.org/projects/legal-writing-manual>.
- Kadri, Thomas E. and Mangan, Jean, "Good-Better-Best Practices" (2021). *COVID-19 Pandemic Archive*. 26, <https://digitalcommons.law.uga.edu/covid/26>.
- Jean Mangan, *Law Excerpts Manual for Criminal Law Drafting* (OpenALG 2021) <https://alg.manifoldapp.org/projects/law-excerpts-manual-for-criminal-law-drafting>.
- Jean Mangan et al., *Legal Writing Manual* (2d ed. OpenALG 2021), <https://alg.manifoldapp.org/projects/legal-writing-manual>.
- Jean Mangan, Chase Lyndale, and Gabrielle Gravel, *LEGAL WRITING MANUAL* (Digit. Commons U. Ga. Sch. L. 2020), <https://digitalcommons.law.uga.edu/books/157/>.
- Jean Mangan and Fernanda Mackay, *Clinical Syllabi As Demonstration of Best Practices Implementation*, 53 GA L. REV. ONLINE 106 (2019).
- *Statute of Limitations for Child Sexual Abuse Civil Lawsuits in Georgia: Update on Case Findings and Opportunities for Reform*, White Paper (as contributing author; lead author Emma Hetherington) (Apr. 2019).
- *Just Deceits Full of Twists and Turns*, THE VERDICT, Winter 2012, at 6.
- *Signing a Consent Form for Medical Treatment*, THE VERDICT, Fall 2012, at 24-26.
- *Primer on Georgia Spoliation Law*, THE VERDICT, Spring 2012, at 18-24.
- Justifying Restoring Mental Competency: *Sell* and Its Effects on State Law (Nov. 29, 2010) (unpublished supervised research paper, on file with author).
- Religious Reformation Under Henry VIII: Actions From Above Affect Those Below (Dec. 20, 2007) (unpublished undergraduate Honors thesis, University of Georgia, on file with author).

Presentations

- Panelist, “Don't Reinvent the Wheel: Not Everything Has To Be Bespoke,” Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, Minneapolis, MN, July 18, 2026.
- Panelist, “Stacking the Deck in our Students’ Favor: Strategies to Bolster Belonging and Community During the Bar Preparation Process,” Association of Academic Support Educators Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV, May 16, 2026.
- Panelist, “My Favorite Class Session: Ideas to Invigorate Your Teaching,” Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, Phoenix, AZ, July 17, 2025.
- Invited Panelist, “ALG Round 26 Midpoint Panel,” Affordable Learning Georgia, online, July 11, 2025.

- Invited Panelist, “Moving Minds: From Research Excellence to Jurisdictional Impact,” National Conference of Bar Examiners Annual Bar Admissions Conference 2025, Seattle, WA, May 2, 2025
- Invited Panelist, “History At Work: So You Want To Go To Law School,” University of Georgia History Department, Athens, GA, April 17, 2025
- Co-panelist, “NextGen LRW for the NextGen Bar,” Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana, July 18, 2024
- Invited Panelist, “Empowering Success: Law School Bar Passage Programs,” National Conference of Bar Examiners Annual Bar Admissions Conference 2024, May 3, 2024
- Co-Presenter, “Judicial Threats to *Olmstead* and the Americans with Disabilities Act Webinar,” Scattergood Foundation, Feb. 21, 2024
- Presenter, “Advanced Writing: What Do We Know and Where Are We Going?” and “Where Are We Going, Again?” Multi-Class of Court Legal Writing, Institute of Continuing Judicial Education, Nov. 2, 2023
- Guest Speaker, “Talking about Sexual Abuse,” University of Georgia School of Law, Sonja West’s undergraduate “Covering the Courts” class, Apr. 21, 2022
- Poster Presentation, “Adapting Writing Class to Connect with Community Partner and Increase Student Motivation,” Public Service and Outreach Annual Meeting, University of Georgia, Apr. 18, 2022
- Invited Speaker, “Legal Writing Manual,” ALG Featured Speaker Series, Mar. 18, 2022
- Poster Presentation, “Using Connection as a Driver, Rather than Fear, to Improve Outcomes,” University System of Georgia Teaching and Learning Conference, online, Mar. 18-31, 2022
- Supporting Mentor, “Steele Curriculum for DEI in Legal Fields,” SFRIDC Conference 2022, Auburn University, Mar. 9-11, 2022
- Presenter, “Using Connection as a Driver, Rather than Fear, to Improve Outcomes,” SFRIDC Conference 2022, Auburn University, Mar. 9-11, 2022
- Discussant, “Discipline Building: Professional Identity Formation,” SEALS 2021 Conference, Jul. 26-31, 2021 (selected but could not participate due to COVID travel restrictions)
- Discussant, “Discipline Building: Balance in the Age of Chaos,” SEALS 2021 Conference, Jul. 26-31, 2021 (selected but could not participate due to COVID travel restrictions)
- Guest Instructor, “Legal Writing for Criminal Defense Practicum,” University of Georgia School of Law, Elizabeth Taxel’s Criminal Defense Practicum, June 9, 2021
- Presenter, “Parallel Play: How to Increase Productivity Using a Scheduled Accountability Group,” Empire State Conference, New York Law School, May 13, 2021
- Panelist, “Law Library Open Access Panel & Film Screening: The Internet’s Own Boy,” University of Georgia School of Law, Oct. 19, 2020

- Panelist, “All of Us: Candid Conversations about Mental Health,” University of Georgia School of Law, Oct. 8, 2020
- Panelist, “Crime, Courts and Immigration,” Ask An Expert Webinar, University of Georgia School of Law, Apr. 22, 2020
- Presenter, “‘When’ a First Year Professor Stumbles Across An Idea: Shifting the Focus to See the Big Picture and Small Details Together By Using an Appellate Case and Oral Argument,” Institute for Legal Teaching and Learning Summer Conference, Washburn University School of Law, Topeka, KS, Jun. 3-5, 2019
- Guest Speaker, “SBA Speaker Series,” University of Georgia School of Law, Athens, Ga., Nov. 5, 2018
- Guest Instructor, “Traffic Enforcement and DUI,” University of Georgia School of Law Prosecutorial Clinic, Athens, Ga., Mar. 20, 2018
- Speaker, “Georgia Laws on Sex Crimes,” Athens Anti-Discrimination Movement Workshop, Athens, Ga., Jan. 25, 2018
- Speaker, “Report Writing Techniques,” Central Region Traffic Enforcement Network Meeting, Greensboro, Ga., Jan. 27, 2017
- Instructor, “Courtroom Testimony,” Greene County Sheriff’s Office, Greensboro, Ga., May 24, 25, 2016
- Guest Instructor, “Evidence Presentation,” Georgia Public Safety Training Center, Forsyth, Ga., May 17-18, 2016
- Lecturer, “DUI and Field Sobriety Case Law,” Greene County Sheriff’s Office, Greensboro, Ga., Apr. 28, 2016
- Guest Speaker, “Assessing Cases,” University of Georgia School of Law 1L Criminal Law class, Athens, Ga., Sept. 5, 2014
- Presenter, “Religious Reformation Under Henry VIII: Actions From Above Affect Those Below,” History between the Hedges Conference, Athens, Ga., Spring 2008

Service

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- LW and AI Committee, April 2026-May 2026
- AI Committee, April 2026-May 2026
- Bar Passage Committee (*ex officio*), December 2025-March 2026
- NextGen and Early Bar Ad Hoc Committee August 2025 - December 2025
- Bar Passage Committee, May 2020 - Aug. 2021; Chair, Aug. 2021 - July 2022; Aug. 2024 - July 2025
- Technology Committee, August 2022 - July 2024
- Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Aug. 2019 - July 2021

- Technology and Training Committee in response to COVID-19, May - Aug. 2020

Media Mentions

- Emily Johnson, *Georgia Justices Unveil Changes to Bar Exam in 2028* (August 1, 2024, 4:49 PM), LAW360, <https://www.law360.com/pulse/georgia-pulse/articles/1864423/georgia-justices-unveil-changes-to-bar-exam-in-2028-> (discussing Georgia's adoption of the NextGen Bar Exam in July 2028).
- Bruce Darling, *Supreme Court Decision in Loper Jeopardizes Disability Freedom* (July 11, 2024), CENTER FOR DISABILITY RIGHTS, <https://cdrnys.org/blog/disability-politics/supreme-court-decision-in-loper-jeopardizes-disability-freedom/> (quoting and discussing Mangan, J. G., & Dennis, A. L. (2023). Judicial threats to *Olmstead* and the Americans with disabilities act. *Psychiatric Services*. <https://doi.org/10.1176/appi.ps.20230397>).
- Alexandra H. Bradley, *Creating a Civil Remedy in Georgia for Survivors of Out-of-State Childhood Sexual Abuse*, 73 MERCER LAW REV. 1477 (2022) (discussing staff attorney role at CEASE Clinic and trying cases).
- "Take-Home Exams Advice: Study Groups," available at <https://libguides.law.uga.edu/take-home-exams-advice/study-groups> (outlining using a Focusmate.com approach to virtual law school study groups) (last visited Sept. 11, 2020).
- Leslie Garfield Tenzer, Law to Fact, "Drafting the ideal appellate brief," <https://www.buzzsprout.com/138309/2651779-drafting-the-ideal-appellate-brief> (discussing approaches to persuasive writing with a panel of three legal writing instructors) (Feb. 4, 2020).
- Brian L. Frye, Ipse Dixit, "Episode 449: Jean Mangan on Reforming Legal Education," <https://shows.pippa.io/ipse-dixit/episodes/jean-mangan-on-reforming-legal-education> (discussing article published in Georgia Law Review Online and co-authored with Fernanda Mackay, "Clinical Syllabi as Demonstration of Best Practices Implementation") (Dec. 19, 2019).
- Katheryn Tucker, Fulton County Daily Report (May 3, 2019), "Grim Findings Mix With Hope in UGA Law Clinic's Child Sex Abuse Report," available at <https://www.law.com/dailyreportonline/2019/05/03/grim-findings-mix-with-hope-in-uga-law-clinics-child-sex-abuse-report/> (discussing access to civil justice system for sexual abuse survivors).
- Katheryn Tucker, Fulton County Daily Report (Jun. 27, 2018), "Sexual Abuse Survivor Litigation Yields More Than Money," available at <https://www.law.com/dailyreportonline/2018/06/27/sexual-abuse-survivor-litigation-yields-more-than-money/> (mentioned for being first to try to verdict case filed under Hidden Predator Act).

- Katheryn Tucker, Fulton County Daily Report (Nov. 27, 2017), “What Lawyers Can Learn from the #MeToo Awakening,” available at <https://www.law.com/dailyreportonline/sites/dailyreportonline/2017/11/27/what-lawyers-can-learn-from-the-metoo-awakening/> (discussing sexual abuse and ways legal community can work to stop its occurrence).

Education

University of Georgia School of Law, Athens, Georgia

J.D., May 2011

University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia

B.A. in History, *summa cum laude with honors*, Dec. 2007

Legal Practice Experience

University of Georgia School of Law, Wilbanks Child Endangerment and Sexual Exploitation Clinic, Athens, Georgia

Staff Attorney, *Dec. 2017 – July 2019*

Served as Staff Attorney for the clinic’s personal injury and dependency cases. Tried to verdict first case taken to trial that was filed under Hidden Predator Act; received judgment in favor of client. Settled three civil cases filed under Hidden Predator Act.

Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit District Attorney’s Office, Greensboro, Georgia

Assistant District Attorney, *Mar. 2015 – Nov. 2017*

Represented State of Georgia in felony and misdemeanor trials, motions, and other criminal matters. Served as lead prosecutor in nine jury trials and four bench trials. Drafted indictments and accusations; determined which cases should proceed past warrant stage. Taught continuing education classes for law enforcement. Served as Greene County Probate Court Solicitor, handling approximately 1,000 traffic cases a year in addition to full caseload in Superior Court. Supervised law student interns. Wrote appellate briefs on behalf of State of Georgia to the Georgia Court of Appeals and the Georgia Supreme Court.

Austin & Sparks, PC, Atlanta, Georgia

Associate, *June 2014 – Mar. 2015*

Assisted partners in researching civil litigation topics and preparing for trial. Drafted motions, memoranda, and briefs for stages of litigation. Reviewed and summarized extensive medical discovery produced during litigation. Argued written motions and briefs.

Northern Judicial Circuit District Attorney’s Office, Elberton, Georgia

Assistant District Attorney, *Mar. 2013 – May 2014*

Represented State of Georgia in felony and misdemeanor trials, motions, and other criminal matters. Served as prosecutor in five jury trials and was lead counsel for two trials; also conducted bench trials in both Juvenile and Superior Courts. Drafted indictments and accusations; determined which cases should proceed past warrant stage. Supervised law student interns. Served as appellate attorney for the Circuit. Argued before the Supreme Court of Georgia in Currier v. State, 294 Ga. 392 (2014), on behalf of the State of Georgia; conviction upheld.

Hurt, Stolz & Cromwell, LLC, Athens, Georgia

Associate, *June 2011 – Feb. 2013*

Assisted in all aspects of consumer class action litigation and other civil litigation matters. Drafted motions and briefs submitted at all stages of litigation. Appeared for and assisted with motions and depositions. Conducted client intake and assessed viability of claims.

Northern Judicial Circuit, Judge Thomas L. Hodges, III, Hartwell, Georgia

Public Service Fellow, *May 2011 – Jan. 2012*; Judicial Extern, *Jan. 2011 – May 2011*

Drafted and reviewed memos and orders for judge's consideration. Researched legal issues presented in pleadings and motions. Focused on researching and drafting orders in response to complex motions for summary judgment. Assisted in researching and drafting order in State v. Drane, denial of motion affirmed in Drane v. State, 291 Ga. 298 (2012). Assisted in researching and drafting order in State v. Allen, affirmed in Allen v. State, 290 Ga. 743 (2012).

University of Georgia School of Law, Professor Andrea Dennis, Athens, Georgia

Research Assistant, *Dec. 2010 – Apr. 2011*

Provided research support for Erik Nielsen and Andrea L. Dennis, *Rap on Trial: Race, Lyrics, and Guilt in America* (2019) and Andrea L. Dennis and Carol E. Jordan, *Encouraging Victims: Responding to a Recent Study of Battered Women Who Commit Crimes*, 15 Nev. L. J. 1 (2014).

University of Georgia School of Law Family Violence Clinic, Athens, Georgia

Legal Intern, *Jan. 2010 – May 2010; Aug. 2010 – Dec. 2010*

Conducted hearing in Superior Court for Temporary Protective Order. Conducted pre-hearing negotiations, final hearings and presentation of agreements to the court. Screened potential clients for qualification for services, conducted client interviews, prepared clients for trial. Drafted protective orders, trial documents, and client correspondence.

Appellate Briefs Written

- *Diego v. State*, A17A2007 (Ga. Ct. App. 2017) (Direct Appeal from Conviction)

- *Brown v. State*, A17A1351 (Ga. Ct. App. 2017)
- *Diego v. State*, A18D0012 (Ga. Ct. App. 2017)
- *Diego v. State*, A17A2007 (Ga. Ct. App. 2017) (Appellant's Rule 40(B) Emergency Motion)
- *Bradshaw v. State*, 300 Ga. 1 (2016)
- *Currier v. State*, 294 Ga. 392 (2014)
- *Spearman v. State*, 294 Ga. 402 (2014)
- *Jordan v. State*, 328 Ga. App. 462 (2014)
- *Chaney v. State*, A13A2481 (Ga. Ct. App. Mar. 19, 2014)
- *Barazza v. State*, A14D0171 (Ga. Ct. App. Jan. 3, 2014)

Bar Admissions

- Supreme Court of the United States (2019)
- Georgia Supreme Court (2012)
- Georgia Court of Appeals (2012)
- Northern District of Georgia (2012)
- Middle District of Georgia (2012)
- Superior Courts of Georgia (2011)