

# Jason G. Dykstra

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**University of Idaho College of Law, Boise, Idaho**

*Temporary Faculty, 2020-present*

### **Courses Taught:**

Torts II  
Property II  
Insurance Law Seminar

**Concordia University School of Law, Boise, Idaho**

*Assistant Director of the Legal Research and Writing Program, 2014 - 2020*

*Associate Professor of Law (Tenured), 2020*

*Assistant Professor of Law, 2014 - 2020*

### **Courses Taught:**

Legal Research and Writing I  
Legal Research and Writing II  
Litigation Planning and Drafting  
Co-Taught Housing Clinic

### **Courses Administered:**

Co-administered Legal Research and Writing I  
Co-administered Legal Research and Writing II  
Co-administered all Advanced Writing Courses

### **Courses Administered and Content Developed:**

Litigation Planning and Drafting  
Housing Clinic in conjunction with Idaho Legal Aid

### **Service:**

Academic Dismissal & Integrity Committee, 2019-present  
Admissions Committee, 2016-present, chair 2017-2018  
Curriculum Committee, 2019-present  
Library, Technology & Facilities Committee, 2014-2018 and 2019-present  
Student Affairs Committee, 2014-present, chair 2014-2018  
Appointment Committee, 2018-2019, co-chair 2018-2019  
Scholarship, Research & Teaching Committee, 2018-2019  
Adjunct Training and Hiring Committee, 2017-2018  
Faculty Affairs Committee, 2014-2016  
Grant writing and donor requests to fund Housing Clinic

**Concordia University School of Law, Boise, Idaho**  
*Adjunct Professor of Law, September 2012 – June 2014*

**Courses Taught:**

Legal Research and Writing I  
Legal Research and Writing II  
Litigation Planning and Drafting  
Externship Seminar

**Course Content Developed:**

Litigation Planning and Drafting  
Co-developed an externship curriculum for the Experiential Learning Program

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**EDUCATION**

- 1992-1995 *Juris Doctorate*, University of Montana, School of Law, Missoula, Montana  
Founding Member of the Environmental Law Group  
Disability Law Clinic Legal Intern  
Author of Montana Motorized Wheelchair Warranty Act of 1995
- 1988-1992 Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, emphasis in Financial Management,  
University of Montana, Missoula Montana  
Honors: Defresne Foundation Honors Scholar  
Dean's List

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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Meuleman Mollerup, LLP – Boise, Idaho** 2006-2013  
Practice focused on commercial litigation of real property, construction, and employment disputes in Idaho, Montana, Utah, Wyoming, and Washington. Litigation experience includes the independent management of all aspects of civil litigation from preparing pleadings and discovery to conducting trials and arbitrations.
- Sasser & Inglis, P.C. – Boise, Idaho** 2002 -2006  
Practice focused on insurance law and bad faith defense, intellectual property rights, business transactions, and estate planning.
- Marra, Wenz & Johnson, P.C. – Great Falls, Montana** 1995 - 2001  
Practice focused on employment law, appellate advocacy, business entities, estate planning, insurance defense, personal injury, product liability, insurance law, antitrust litigation, and bankruptcy proceedings.

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## PUBLICATIONS

### Articles

*Teasing the Arc of Electric Spark: Fostering and Teaching Creativity in the Law School Curriculum*, 20 Wyoming L. Rev. 1 (2020)

*Keeping up with a Kardashian: Shedding Legal Educations' Vestigial Trade School Anxiety and Replacing the Dated Casebook Method with Modern Case-Based Learning*, Vol. 48, No. 1 HOFSTRA L. REV. 81 (2019)

*Beyond the "Practice Ready" Buzz: Sifting Through the Disruption of the Legal Industry to Divine the Skills Needed by New Attorneys*, 11 DREXEL L. REV. 149 (2018)

### Essays

*Legal Citation Part III: Using Citation to Convey Textual Meaning*, The Advocate (September 2018) (with T. Fordyce-Ruff)

*Legal Citation Part II: Tips and Tricks to Avoid Common Errors*, The Advocate (June 2018) (with T. Fordyce-Ruff)

*Beyond the Basics: Lesser-Used Punctuation Marks*, The Advocate (March/April 2018) (with T. Fordyce-Ruff)

*Govern Yourself Accordingly: Crafting Effective Demand Letters*, The Advocate (November/December 2017)

*Enhancing the Effectiveness of Your Legal Writing with Plain English*, The Advocate (November/December 2016)

*Bridging the Gap: Transitioning Law School Legal Writing Skills to Practicing Law*, The Advocate (September 2016)

*Good Old-Fashioned Editing*, The Advocate (January 2016)

*To Verb or Not Verb*, The Advocate (March/April 2013)

*Licensing Music Played in Small Businesses*, Idaho Business Review (May 2012)

*Developing a Proactive Business Succession Plan*, Idaho Business Review (February 2011)

*Bankruptcy Creditor Notices Should Not Go Unnoticed*, Idaho Business Review (May 2010)

*Heightened Due Diligence for Building Projects*, Idaho Business Review (May 2009)

*Copyrights of Architectural Works*, Idaho Business Review (April 2008)

*Mediation and Arbitration*, Idaho Business Review (April 2007)

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## PRESENTATIONS

*Breaking Away from the Linear Syllabus: Creating Resources to Facilitate Self-Guided Learning for a Diverse Student Body*, Association of Legal Writing Directors (ALWD) Biennial Conference, May 2019 (video presentation)

*Breaking Away from the Linear Syllabus: Creating Resources to Facilitate Self-Guided Learning for a Diverse Student Body*, Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, March 2019

*The Art of Polished Persuasion*, Richard C. Fields American Inns of Court No. 130, October 2017 (with S. Kilminster-Hadley)

*Bridging the Gap from Law School to Practice; Connecting LRW to the Practice of Law with a Capstone Litigation Planning and Drafting Course*, Western Legal Writing Regional Conference, Seattle University School of Law, August, 2017

*Technology in the LRW Classroom: Effective Use of Teaching and Assessment Tools*, Legal Writing Institute One-Day Workshop, December, 2015

*The Rise of Written Briefing in American Jurisprudence: The Enhanced Role of LRW in an Era of Written Persuasion*, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, October, 2015

*The Rise of Briefing in American Jurisprudence: LRW at the Center of Written Persuasion*, Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference, June 2015

Guest Lecturer on the value of volunteering, MBA Capstone course, Boise State University College of Business and Economics, June 2013

*Litigation in Tribal Court: The Myth v. the Reality*, CLE Presentation, Montana State Bar, 1998

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#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Idaho State Bar, 2002

Montana State Bar, 1995 (inactive)

Blackfeet Tribal Court, 1997

United States Court of Federal Claims, 1999

Legal Writing Institute

Association of Legal Writing Directors

Richard C. Fields American Inn of Court No. 130

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#### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2011-Present Richard C. Fields American Inn of Court No. 130, Barrister, Boise, Idaho  
Attend and present at monthly meetings of judges and attorneys on matters of ethics, skills, and professionalism.

2012-Present Treasurer and Registered Agent, Rock on Wheels, Inc.  
Rock on Wheels is an Idaho Non-Profit Corporation with 501(c)(3) status devoted to providing music education and opportunities to homeless, refugee, and underprivileged children in coordination with the Boise Rock School. In 2019, Rock on Wheels acquired the assets of the Boise Rock School and received a five-hundred-thousand-dollar grant from J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation to partially fund the creation of an all ages music venue in Boise.

2009-Present Volunteer, Interfaith Sanctuary  
Interfaith Sanctuary provides a safe place to sleep and a warm meal to our most

vulnerable homeless population. Additionally, Interfaith Sanctuary's case managers provide guests with hope and second chances with the goal of achieving self-sufficiency. Co-recipient of the Volunteer Support Group of the Decade Award at the annual Interfaith Sanctuary Homecoming Gala and Award Ceremony on October 5, 2019.

- 2013-2017 Vice-President, Musicians' Fund of Boise, Inc. (MFOB)  
MFOB was a non-profit entity designed to support and empower local working musicians with entrepreneurial tools to become financially sustainable.
- 2004-2010 Permanent Elite Roster Member, Boise Development Cycling Team (Bode)  
Served as a Mentor for the Treasure Valley's next generation of elite cyclists. Mentors assisted aspiring young riders in training, at regional races, and in a variety of non-profit community events.
- 1996-2001 Board of Commissioners of the Great Falls Housing Authority, Chairman 1998-1999  
Management of all aspects of the provision of low-income housing and voucher programs for the City of Great Falls, Montana. The Board actively participates in the oversight of ongoing remodeling projects and new facility construction. The Board also oversees a staff that prepares and implements a multi-million dollar annual budget to operate five housing projects and manage hundreds of low-income housing vouchers.
- 1997-2001 Board of Trustees, Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art, President 2001  
Management of a contemporary art museum, cafe, and gift shop located in a historic building. During tenure on executive committee, the museum completed a multi-million dollar capital campaign and the committee oversaw extensive remodeling and restoration of the historic building.
- 1996-2001 Great Falls Symphony Orchestra and Symphonic Choir.
- 1989-1992 Missoula Symphony Chorale.