

EXPERIENCE

KING & SPALDING LLP, Los Angeles, CA

Partner, May 2020 to present

Handle all phases of litigation, including appellate level, in state and federal courts in various fields, including employment, contract, real estate, and general business disputes. Advise clients regarding employment, compliance issues.

- Defeated TRO in federal court based on Section 17200 claims; case resolved shortly after ruling.
- Obtained stay of class action in federal court regarding claimed violation of prior settlement agreement in separate class action and defeated motion for sanctions in the underlying class action.

BOIES SCHILLER FLEXNER, LLP, Los Angeles, CA

(Formerly **CALDWELL LESLIE & PROCTOR, PC** through April 2017)

Partner, January 2010 to April 2020

Litigation Associate, March 2005–January 2010

- Obtained \$6.15 million verdict in trade secret lawsuit; handled all aspects of litigation from complaint to trial. Argued appeal on which verdict was completely affirmed.
- Lead trial lawyer in 13-day plaintiff-side breach of contract/warranty trial in October 2019 with all-woman trial team.
- Defended former employees against company seeking to enforce non-compete agreement. Obtained *writ of supersedeas* blocking enforcement of preliminary injunction, motivating settlement.
- Chair, Diversity Task Force, with responsibility for overseeing LA office recruitment and retention efforts.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, Los Angeles, CA

Commissioner, June 2014 to the present; *Vice President*, 2016–2017; *President*, 2018–2020

- Analyze and vote on appeals of City employees who have been disciplined as part of five-member board.
- Conducted training for civil service hearing examiners to provide guidance as to how to improve their reports.

CALIFORNIA CHANGELAWYERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS, a statewide foundation focused on justice system in California

Board Member, January 2015 to the present; *Chair of the Nominations Committee*, 2015; *Chair of the Personnel Committee*, 2016; *Chair of the Grants Committee*, January 2017 to the present; *Co-Vice President*, 2017–2019; *President Elect*, 2020–2021; *President*, 2021 to the present

- Joined when California Bar Foundation and helped lead organization through becoming independent from the State Bar, name change, and increasing visibility, mission

LOS ANGELES CITY ATTORNEY TRIAL ADVOCACY PROJECT, Los Angeles, CA

Volunteer, January 2009–March 2009. Selected to serve as volunteer prosecutor; tried six misdemeanor cases to verdict.

THE HON. RAYMOND C. FISHER, U.S. CIRCUIT COURT, NINTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS, Pasadena, CA

Law Clerk, July 2003–August 2004

THE HON. ROBERT W. SWEET, U.S. DISTRICT COURT, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, New York, NY

Law Clerk, March 2002–June 2003

THE DURHAM HERALD-SUN, Durham, NC

Education Reporter, May 1997–June 1998

EDUCATION

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, NY

J.D., *magna cum laude*, May 2001

Honors: **Order of the Coif**
Law Review, 1999–2001

Note: *Who's Failing Whom?: A Critical Look at Failure to Protect Laws*, 76 N.Y.U. L. Rev. 272 (2001)

Other: Teaching Assistant to Professor Derrick Bell, Constitutional Law, Fall 2000
Teaching Assistant to Dean John Sexton, Civil Procedure, Fall 1999

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL, Chapel Hill, NC

B.A. in English and Creative Writing, *summa cum laude*, May 1997

Honors: Whitfield Prize for best research project in the English Department, 1997
Undergraduate Woman of the Year, 1996, *for leadership and accomplishments*

Activities: *The Daily Tar Heel* newspaper, Editor-in-chief (1996–97); editorial page editor (1996)
Women's Varsity Fencing Team, foil