

# John (Jack) Lu

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## **Adjunct Faculty**

UMass Lowell School of  
Criminology and  
Justice Studies, 2019-present

- Received 2021 Haskell Distinguished Teaching Award (based 100% on student nominations and given annually to one full-time faculty member and one adjunct faculty member).

## **Private Mediator**

Essex Mediation and Arbitration  
LLC, 2022-present

Mediate and arbitrate civil disputes

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## **Associate Justice**

Massachusetts Superior Court,  
2006-2022

- Sat on state-wide general jurisdiction court including service as regional administrative justice managing Essex Superior Court's three locations.
- Collaborated with local, regional and national organizations on sentencing.

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## **Chair**

Massachusetts Sentencing  
Commission, 2014-2018

- Led first overhaul of Massachusetts Sentencing Guidelines in 21 years by commission members holding disparate points of view.
- Changes incorporated modern best sentencing practices for all aspects of judicial involvement in sentencing.

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## **Adjunct Professor of Law**

Boston University School of Law,  
2010-2018

- Taught Trial Evidence and Trial Advocacy and coached mock trial teams for external competitions

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## **Adjunct Professor of Law/Lecturer on Law**

New England Law | Boston,  
2003-2013

- Taught Sentencing, Clinical Evidence and Trial Practice.
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**Associate Justice**

Boston Municipal Court,  
2001-2006

- Sat on general jurisdiction court serving the City of Boston.

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**Criminal Defense Attorney**

Private practice  
1985-2001

- Defended criminal cases with heavy emphasis on felony criminal trials.
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**Selected past experiences**

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After dinner speaker, Villanova Law School Sentencing Workshop, Villanova, Pennsylvania

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Participant, Evidence-Based Sentencing to Improve Public Safety and Reduce Recidivism, National Center for State Courts

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Panelist, annual meeting, National Association of Sentencing Commissions, Alyeska, Alaska

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Vice-President (elected), Massachusetts Judges Conference (association of Massachusetts judges)

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Executive Committee and Board of Directors, Merrimack Valley Legal Services

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Editorial Board Member, Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly

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Board Member, Massachusetts Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

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Lawyers Board Member, Middlesex Defense Attorneys, Inc.

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**Education**

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Certificate of Completion, Harvard Law School Executive Education: *Mediating Disputes*, 2021

J.D., Boston University School of Law

B.A., The Johns Hopkins University