**CLAIRE DONOHUE**

Curriculum Vitae

**Director, Domestic Violence Clinic**

**Practitioner in Residence  
The Washington College of Law at American University**

**Education**

**The George Washington University,** Washington, DC 2015

Degree: LL.M.

**Boston College Law School,** Newton, MA 2005

Degree: J.D.

Honors & Recipient of Public Service Scholarship

Activities Recipient of Graduate Student Award

Editorial Staff, Third World Law Journal (now Journal of Law and Social Policy)

Mock Trial

Member of Public Interest Law Foundation

**Boston College Graduate School of Social Work,** Chestnut Hill, MA 2005

Degree: M.S.W.

Honors & Recipient of Founders’ Scholarship

Activities Dual Degree Student

**Cornell University,** Ithaca, NY 2000

Degree: B.S. Policy Analysis (applied economics)

Honors & Teaching Assistant

Activities Executive Board of Public Service Organization

Tutor Louis Gosset Center Juvenile Detention Center

**Current Employment**

**Boston College Law School** Summer 2018**-** Present

**Appointmen**t **Assistant Clinical Professor**

**Previous Academic Employment**

**The Washington College of Law** Summer 2015- Summer 2018

**at American University, Washington, DC**

**Appointmen**t **Practitioner in Residence**

**Director, Domestic Violence Clinic**

Courses **Domestic Violence Clinic & Women in the Law Clinical Seminar:** Co-teach weekly seminar on pre-trial skills and trial skills against the scaffolding of critical theories and social justice themes.

**Legal Ethics:** Independently teach weekly large class; an examination of the ethical obligations of the lawyer, including a detailed analysis of the Model Code of Professional Responsibility and the Model Rules of Professional Conduct.

Responsibilities Independently conduct weekly rounds and provide on campus and in-court supervision for students in domestic violence, domestic relations, and immigrations cases including, but not limited to cases for civil protection orders, UVisas, TVisas, VAWA Petitions, and Asylum cases. Maintain an independent caseload of domestic relations and domestic violence cases.

**The George Washington University, Washington, DC** Summer 2013- Summer 2015

**Appointmen**t **Visiting Professor of Clinical Law**

**& Friedman Fellow**

Courses **Family Justice Litigation:** Co-taught weekly seminar on family law, domestic violence law, pre-trial skills, and trial skill

Responsibilities Supervised students in domestic violence and domestic relations cases including, but not limited to cases for civil protection orders, custody, child support, and divorce or separation. Provided summer coverage for the caseload in the student’s absence while also maintaining an independent caseload of domestic relations and domestic violence cases.

**Montgomery College, Rockville, MD** Fall 2010, Spring 2012

**Appointment** **Part-Time Faculty**

Courses **Administration of Justice:** Course designed to analyze crime and the administration of justice with an emphasis on the theoretical and historical development of law enforcement, courts, and corrections and other agents and agencies responsible for administering justice.

**Previous Practice Employment**

**Claire Donohue Attorney at Law** Summer 2010- Summer 2013

Independently briefed, filed and argued post-conviction appeals. Certified for appointments for the Appeals Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the District of Columbia Court of Appeals.

Appointments & Accepted for appointment to the Criminal Justice Act (CJA) panel for the

Service District of Columbia Superior Court (Winter 2012)

Volunteer District of Columbia Family Court Self-Help Center

**Committee For**

**Public Counsel Services, Quincy & Dedham, MA** Fall 2006- Summer 2009

**Staff Attorney:** Independently responsible for all aspect of criminal defense litigation including, but not limited to client counseling; bail argument; motion practice; jury and jury-waived trials; dispositions by plea; probation surrender hearings. Cultivated partnerships with social service advocates, court psychologists, and community service agents.

Summer 2004

**303 Certified Intern** Assisted staff attorneys: argued bail hearings, a bail review and a dangerousness hearing; conducted client interviews and investigations; drafted motions and memorandum of law.

**Massachusetts Superior Court, MA** Fall 2005- Summer 2006

**Judicial Law Clerk:** Rotated across four counties to assist four judges. Drafted decisions, legal memorandum, and jury instructions in support of a civil docket. Docket included matters such as medical malpractice, employment discrimination, and contract disputes.

**Community Legal Services &**

**Counseling Center, Cambridge, MA** Summer 2002- Spring 2005

Summer 2004-Spring 2005

**Program Coordinator:** Coordinated emerging program of interdisciplinary legal services. Drafted protocols and training materials, ran monthly Interdisciplinary Program meetings; coordinated Intake Worker and Interdisciplinary Intern; undertook grant writing and development.

Fall 2003-Spring 2004

**Graduate Social Work Intern:** Provided one-on-one therapy as part of Counseling Division; consulted with the Legal Services Division to provide case management and social service referrals for legal services clients.

Summer 2002-Summer 2003

**Intern:** Provided legal support and social work interventions for legal services clients; assisted legal departments with affidavits, briefs and motions.

**Previous Operations and Social Service Employment**

**American Nurses Association, Silver Spring, MD** Summer 2013

**Operations Consultant:** Consulting with the Director of American Nurses Certification Services to clarify and streamline the ANCC’s recruitment of subject matter experts as required for the creation and evaluation of accreditation exams.

**Grover Cleveland Middle School, Dorchester, MA** Fall 2001- Spring 2002

**Graduate Social Work Intern** Counseled and monitored adolescents with issues of chronic absenteeism: one-on-one and group therapies; participation in district-wide collaborations and school-based support teams; interaction with police department, probation department, schools teachers and administrators.

**Westchester Residential**

**Opportunities, White Plains, NY** Summer 2000- Summer 2001

**AmeriCorps VISTA:** Placed by the Corporation for Enterprise Development (Washington, DC) to implement an Individual Development Account (IDA) program, a match-source savings account program. Engaged in grant writing, development, and presentations to boards and foundations. Designed first time homebuyer trainings that included discussion of IDAs.

**Scholarly Research**

Accepted Works *Client, Self, Systems: A Framework for Integrated Skills-Justice Education*, 29 Geo. J. of Legal Ethics 439 (2016).

*Article 32 Hearings: A Road Map for Grand Jury Reform*, 59 Howard L. J

469 (2016).

*A Feminist Framing of Non-Consensual Pornography,* 17 U. Md. L.J. Race,

Religion, Gender & Class 247 (2018)

Unpublished *Interdisciplinary Legal Services: The Promise, The Challenge, and the Solution*

Work (2005), ***cited by*** Anderson et al., *Professional Ethics in Interdisciplinary*

*Collaboratives: Zeal, Paternalism and Mandated Reporting*, 13 Clinical L.

Rev. 659 (2007).

**Presentations & Professional Service**

**Co-Coordinator**, Mid-Atlantic Clinicians’ Writing Workshop Summer 2016 – Summer 2018

**Invited Guest,** the State Department June 2018

Topics in Domestic Violence Law

With Delegation from Africa

**Co-Facilitator,** Access to Justice in the Age of Technology, Television & Trump

At AALS Annual Meeting, San Diego January2018

**Invited Guest,** the State Department September 22, 2017

Topics in Public Interest Law

With Delegation from China

At FHI360’s Global Connections Division, Washington, D.C.

**Invited Lecturer,**  September 15, 2017

Legal, Judicial, and Social Structures for Victims of Domestic Violence

With Delegation from China

At Triway International Group, Falls Church, VA

**Panelist**, Hot Topics in Teaching Family Law: August 2017

Triggers, Transgender, and Technology

At South Eastern Association of Law Schools

**Co-Facilitator,** Law school Curricula and Practice-Readiness: January 2017 Perfect Partners or Strange Bedfellows?

At AALS Annual Meeting, San Francisco

**Panelist**, Women and Gender Violence, November 2016

With Delegation with the President of the Buenos Aires Magistrates Council,

the Buenos Aires Chief Prosecutor, and the Chief Public Defender

At American University with the Justice Programs

**Panelist**, Dating & Domestic Violence on College Campuses October 2016 At American University, by Alpha Chi Omega- Beta Rho

**Panelist**, Women and the Law, Day of the Girl October 2016

By American University’s Chapter of She’s the First

**Faculty Coach**,National Entertainment Law Moot Court Competition September 2016 Pepperdine University School of Law, California (WCL Team)

**Panelist**, Identifying and Removing Barriers to Access to Justice August 2016

At South Eastern Association of Law Schools

**Panelist**, Revenge Porn, Cyber Stalking, and Harassment: February 2016

Are There Legal Remedies?

At American University Washington College of Law

**Faculty Coach**,National Criminal Procedure Tournament November 2015

San Diego, California (WCL Team)

**Panelist**, The Women’s Law Association: Sexual Violence and the Law November 2015

At American University Washington College of Law

**Co-Convenor**, Gender and Law Faculty Practice Group Fall 2015- Spring 2016

American University Washington College of Law

**Volunteer Faculty Coach**,Negotiation Training February 2015

DC Volunteers Lawyer Project

**Participant**, Meeting with Delegation from Singapore April 2014

At The George Washington University School of Law

With Senior Minister of State & a delegation from

Ministries of Law and Education, SIM University, & Singapore Institute of Legal Education

**Co-Facilitator**, Inns of Court February 2014 & 2015

The George Washington University School of Law

**Faculty Coach**,National Juvenile Law Moot Court Competition January 2014

Whittier Law School in California (GWU Law Team)

**Panelist,** Teaching Social Justice as Professional Responsibility October 2014 At Society of American Law Teachers

Boyd School of Law, University of Las Vegas Law School

**Volunteer Faculty Coach**,Trial Advocacy Workshop January 2007

Harvard Law School

**Guest Lecturer**, BC Defender Program Spring 2007& 2008

Boston College Law School

**Public Service**

**Member**, Victims’ Legal Network Spring 2016 - Present

**Member**, District of Columbia Domestic Violence Summer 2015 - Present

Advocacy Group

**Member**, District of Columbia Domestic Violence Summer 2017 - Present

Researchers Roundtable

**Volunteer Attorney Negotiator**, Family Court Summer 2013- Summer 2015

Superior Court of the District of Columbia

**Volunteer Counselor**, Family Court Self Help Center Summer 2010- Summer 2015

Superior Court of the District of Columbia