

## **Candace Mueller Centeno**

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<b>Experience</b>	<b>Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law</b> Associate Dean of Academic Affairs (June 2019-present) Director, Duane Morris LLP Legal Writing Program (2018-present) Professor of Law (September 2012-present) Instruction of legal analysis, writing, and oral advocacy to first year law students, including objective and persuasive writing Instruction of medical malpractice law to upper level students Advise individual students during externship placements and directed research projects Associate Professor of Legal Writing (September 2009-August 2012) Assistant Professor of Legal Writing (2006-August 2009)	<b>2006-present</b>
	<b>Support Center for Child Advocacy</b> , volunteer attorney Provide volunteer legal services for victims of child abuse and neglect Recognized as a 2018 Distinguished Advocate	<b>2005-present</b>
	<b>Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania</b> Senior Hearing Committee Member (2015-2017) Hearing Committee Member (2011-2014)	<b>2011-2017</b>
	<b>Arbitrator</b> , Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas	<b>2003-2007</b>
	<b>White and Williams, LLP, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania</b> Senior litigation associate, Health Care Practice Group Representation of physicians, hospitals and other healthcare professionals in medical malpractice and premise liability actions Independent management of files Significant trial and arbitration experience Extensive experience <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• researching and writing discovery motions, preliminary objections, motions for judgment on the pleadings, motions for summary judgment, and motions in limine</li><li>• arguing in discovery court, motion court, and trial courts in Philadelphia, Montgomery, Delaware, and Bucks Counties</li><li>• preparing and presenting physicians and fact witnesses for deposition and trial testimony</li><li>• deposing plaintiffs, physicians, and fact witnesses</li></ul> Appellate experience preparing briefs and oral argument in the Supreme and Superior Courts of Pennsylvania	<b>1993-2006</b>
	<b>Volunteers for the Indigent Program</b> , volunteer	<b>1995-2002</b>

**Education** **Boston College Law School, Newton, Massachusetts** **1993**  
Juris Doctor, *cum laude*  
Boston College Third World Law Journal, Solicitations Editor  
Boston College Legal Assistance Bureau, Coordinator of Social Security Disability Claims  
Singer, Wandering Mis' Trials

**Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pennsylvania** **1990**  
Bachelor of Arts, *summa cum laude*, with honors in history  
Elected, *Phi Beta Kappa*, *Phi Alpha Theta*, and *Pi Sigma Alpha*

**Bars** Admitted to practice in Pennsylvania (active) and Massachusetts (retired)

**Boards** Legal Writing Institute **2014-2018**  
Executive Board Member and Treasurer

President of Church Council, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Glenside, Pennsylvania **2006-08**

## **Publications**

*Altering Existing Classroom Exercises to Incorporate Practical Experiences that Help Prepare Students for Practice*, Second Draft (Spring 2011)

*A Recipe for Successful Student Conferences: One Part Time Sheets, One Part Student Preparation Questionnaire, and a Dash of Partial Live Editing*, 18(1) Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research and Writing 22 (Fall 2009)

*Connecting the Dots: Using Connected Legal Writing Assignments to Help Students Think Outside of the Assignment and About the Bigger Picture*, 16(1) Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research and Writing 22 (Fall 2007)

Co-author, "Pennsylvania Supreme Court Issues Further Civil Procedure Rules in an Effort to More Effectively Manage Medical Malpractice Claims," White and Williams LLP Newsletter (2004)

Co-author, "MCARE: Blessing or Curse?" White and Williams LLP Newsletter (2003)

"The Evolving Standards in Prison Condition Cases: An Analysis of *Wilson v. Seiter* and the Cruel and Unusual Punishment Clause," 13 B.C. Third World L. J., 155 (1993)

## **Presentations**

Presenter, "Duties of Senior and Experienced Hearing Committee Members," Annual Attorney Training Session for the Pennsylvania Disciplinary Board (October 14, 2016)

Presenter, “Check it off! The Benefits of Student-Generated Writing Checklists!” 2016 LWI Biennale Conference (July 2016)

Guest Speaker, Montgomery County Bar Association’s Women in the Law Meeting (May 2015)

Panel Member, 2014 LWI One-day Workshop, William S. Boyd School of Law, Las Vegas, “Expanding Legal Writing into the Third Semester and Beyond.” (December 2014)

Presenter, 2014 Biennial Legal Writing Conference, Philadelphia, “Mirror, Mirror on the Wall, How Can I present the Most Effective Oral Argument of All?” (July 2014)

Presenter, Southeastern Legal Writing Conference, Stetson Law School, “Beyond Legal Writing: Adapting Legal Writing Assignments to Provide Instruction and Practice on Meetings in Practice, Interviewing, and More” (April 2014)

Presenter, Central States Legal Writing Conference, Kansas City Law School, “Incorporating Simulations into the Legal Writing Curriculum to Encourage Active Learning and to Make Real World Connections (September 2013)

Presenter, One-day Legal Writing Workshop, Villanova Law School, “Practice Ready and Client Ready in the Courtroom” (December 2012)

Presenter, 2012 Biennial Legal Writing Conference, “Time Well Spent: Using Time Sheets in the Classroom” (May 2012)

Presenter, Empire State Legal Writing Conference, “‘I Need an Answer in Two Days’: Using a Quick Turn-Around Email and Oral Presentation Assignments to Simulate Common Real World Experiences Beyond the Memo” (May 2011)

Presenter, One-day Legal Writing Workshop, Widener School of Law, “Citation Instruction” (December 2010)

Presenter, 2010 Biennial Legal Writing Institute Conference, “A Recipe for Effective Student Conferences” (June 2010)

Presenter, Delaware Valley Legal Writing Consortium, “Use and Benefits of Time Sheets in the Classroom” (December 2009)

Presenter, Southwest Regional Legal Writing Conference, “Surviving Citations: Engaging Students and Teaching Citations through the Use of a Fun and Interactive Competition” (September 2009)

Poster Presenter, 2008 Biennial Legal Writing Institute Conference, “Using Connected Legal Writing Assignments to Help Students Think Outside of the Assignment and About the Bigger Picture” (June 2008)

Moderator, “Opportunities in Health Care Law,” Villanova Law School Health Care Law Society (March 2007)

Presenter, “Connecting the Dots: Using Connected Legal Writing Assignments to Help Students Think Outside the Assignment and Look at the Bigger Picture,” Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada (February 2007)

## **Service in the Legal Writing Community**

2019 ALWD Outstanding Service Award Recipient

Facilitator, ALWD inaugural Leadership Academy, May 2019

Member, LWI Pro Bono Committee 2018 and 2019

Member, AALS LWRR Program Committee for 2020 AALS Conference

Member, ALWD Leadership and Development Committee (2018-2019)  
Program Committee for ALWD Leadership Academy

Member, ALWD Berger Award Selection Committee (2019-2019)

Member, AALS LWRR Program Committee for 2019 AALS Conference

Treasurer and Board Member, Legal Writing Institute (2014-2018)

Finance Committee, 2016 Legal Writing Institute Bi-Annual Conference

Program Committee (ex officio), 2016 Legal Writing Institute Bi-Annual Conference

Co-chair, 2014 Legal Writing Institute Bi-Annual Conference

Co-coordinator, One-day Legal Writing Workshop, Villanova Law School, December 2012

Co-chair, Program Committee, 2012 Legal Writing Institute Bi-Annual Conference

Chair, Poster Presentation Committee, 2010 Legal Writing Institute Bi-Annual Conference

Committee Member, Program Committee, 2010 Legal Writing Institute Bi-Annual Conference

Committee Member, Poster Selection Committee, 2009 AALS Section on Teaching Methods

Judge, William B. Spong Moot Court Tournament (briefs), Spring 2011

Judge, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg “Pursuit of Justice” Legal Writing Competition, 2009 and 2010

## **Service to Villanova University**

Student Advisor, 2014-present

Member, Strategic Planning Committee, 2018-19

Member, Legal Writing Retention and Promotion Committee, 2018-19

Member, Academic Affairs Committee, 2017-18 & 2018-19

Member, Professional Development Taskforce, 2018

Student Section Team Leader, ABA Site Inspection Committee 2017-18

Chair, Academic Affairs Committee, 2016-17

Co-Chair, Academic Affairs Committee, 2015-16

Chair, Legal Writing Retention and Promotion Committee, 2015-16

Chair, Conduct Review Hearings, 2015 and 2017

Student Section Team Leader, ABA Site Inspection Committee 2016-17

Member, Learning Outcomes Committee, 2016-17

Member, Academic Affairs Committee, 2013-2015

Member, Strategic Planning Committee, 2015-2016

Member, Clinic Taskforce, 2015-2016

Member, Legal Writing Retention and Promotion Committee, 2014-15