

## **MARY ELIZABETH LEVY**

1719 North Broad Street, Room 622

Philadelphia, PA 19122

marylevy@temple.edu

---

### **EDUCATION**

**Temple University Beasley School of Law**, Philadelphia, PA, Juris Doctor, *Cum Laude*, 2000

**University of South Carolina**, Columbia, SC, Master of Criminal Justice, 1994

**Appalachian State University**, Boone, NC, Bachelor of Arts, English, 1991

### **EXPERIENCE**

#### **PRACTICE PROFESSOR OF LAW**

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY BEASLEY SCHOOL OF LAW, Philadelphia, PA

*August 2010 to present*

Professor of the following courses: Civil Procedure; Civil Procedure II; Pennsylvania Civil Procedure; Appellate Advocacy; and Legal Research and Writing I and II. Designed and teach advanced writing seminar, “*Effective Motions Practice*,” in which students are taught the purpose of, and how to draft civil pretrial motions in Pennsylvania state courts, including preliminary objections; discovery motions; motions for summary judgment; motions *in limine*, and *Frye* motions challenging expert opinions. Designed and teach advanced writing seminar, “*Legal Research and Writing III: Experts in Civil Litigation*,” in which students are trained in how to effectively present, as well as challenge, expert testimony in both Pennsylvania state and federal courts. Provide mentoring and coaching to Moot Court Competition Team. Developed, coordinate, and host regional appellate advocacy competition for upper level students studying appellate advocacy at area law schools. Teach intensive, two-week course on negotiation and other transactional skills. Teach and supervise students in year-long judicial clerkship practicum course. Guest lecturer on both appellate advocacy and motions practice for LLM program in trial advocacy. Guest lecturer at numerous continuing legal education seminars on appellate practice and procedure in state and federal courts; post-trial motions practice; and effective written advocacy. Faculty mentor to first-year law students as part of “The Legal Profession 101” program. 2017 Recipient of George P. Williams, III Memorial Award for Outstanding Professor of Year.

#### **OF COUNSEL, APPELLATE PRACTICE GROUP**

WHITE AND WILLIAMS LLP, Philadelphia, PA

*January 2002 to August 2010*

Coordinated and managed all aspects of post-trial and appellate litigation in matters originating from the general litigation department, the healthcare practice group, and the commercial litigation department. Prepared post-trial and appellate briefs in Pennsylvania state and federal courts. Prepared and presented oral argument in the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court, the Pennsylvania Superior Court, and the United States Courts of Appeals for the Second and Third Circuits. Made recommendations to both trial counsel and clients regarding appellate strategy and the likelihood of success on appeal. Provided support to trial counsel, including preparing briefs and memoranda on complex legal issues that arise at trial, as well as assisted trial counsel in spotting potential appellate issues and ensuring a complete record on appeal. Prepared interlocutory appeals and applications for stay pending appeal. Authored articles on recent developments in the law, including on the various aspects of Pennsylvania’s Medical Care Availability and Reduction of Error Act, the doctrine of informed consent in medical malpractice litigation, and the preemptive force of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act. Prepared and presented continuing legal education seminars on appellate practice in Pennsylvania state and federal courts. Presented in-house workshops to attorneys on successful brief writing, as well as effective post-trial motions practice.

## **ASSISTANT CITY SOLICITOR – APPEALS**

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA LAW DEPARTMENT, Philadelphia, PA

*June 2000 to January 2002*

Successfully litigated a wide variety of appeals in both the state and federal courts, including cases involving civil rights and Political Subdivision Tort Claims Act claims. Coordinated all *pro se* appellate litigation, which included managing more than twenty-five active files at any given time. Prepared *Amicus Curiae* brief on behalf of the City of Philadelphia Department of Human Services regarding a Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Public Welfare funding dispute. Researched and drafted briefs in affirmative litigation brought by the City of Philadelphia against gun manufacturers. Drafted emergency medical funding and foster care policies for the Department of Human Services. Served as Secretary of the Philadelphia Bar Association, Appellate Courts Committee.

## **SOCIAL WORKER II**

DARE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, Manteo, NC

*October 1995 to July 1997*

Coordinated emergency assistance and intake programs for county residents. Provided counseling and referral services to county residents and their families. Served on agency review team, which reviewed foster care placement decisions. Provided after-hours beeper coverage for countywide crisis management. Received Child Protective Services and Adult Protective Services intake reports. Instructor for “*Steps to Self-Sufficiency*” class.

## **ADJUNCT FACULTY**

COLLEGE OF THE ALBEMARLE, Manteo, NC

*December 1995 to May 1997*

Instructor for the following evening courses: *Introduction to Criminology; Ethics and Community Relations; Juvenile Delinquency; and Substance Abuse*. Developed lesson plans, lectures, and testing instruments for students seeking Associate of Science degree.

## **HONORS AND ACTIVITIES**

George P. Williams, III Memorial Award for Outstanding Professor of Year, 2017

Named “Rising Star” in 2010 by Law & Politics Magazine

Temple University Beasley School of Law, Guest Lecturer, Appellate Advocacy, 2005 to 2008

Third Circuit Bar Association, Co-Chair of the Publicity/Newsletter Committee, 2008-2009

Philadelphia Bar Association, Appellate Courts Committee, 2001 to 2005

Pennsylvania Defense Institute, 2002-2004

Temple Law Review, Staff Member, 1999-2000

Dean’s Honor List: Spring 1998; Fall 1998; Spring 1999

Barrister Award for Outstanding Oral Advocacy, 1999

Horace G. Brown Scholars-In-Law Scholarship Recipient, 1999-2000

Federal Judicial Clerkship Internship Program, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, in the chambers of the Honorable Dolores K. Sloviter, 1999-2000