

JOSEPH REGALIA

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EDUCATION

University of Michigan Law School

J.D., *summa cum laude*

- 4.05 GPA, ranked first in class
- Daniel Grady Award
- Certificate of Merit
- Executive editor, *Michigan Journal of International Law*
- Executive member, *Michigan Journal of Environmental Law*

University of Nevada, Reno

B.A., English, *summa cum laude*

- Most outstanding graduate of the humanities
- Robb Law Scholar

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

William S. Boyd School of Law, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Associate Professor of Law, 2019 – Present

Peking University School of Transnational Law

Visiting Professor of Law, Summer 2020

U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

Legal writing professor, 2017 – Present

- Selected to teach annual series of legal writing workshops in the Pacific Islands for judges, staff, and attorneys

Loyola University Chicago School of Law

Adjunct professor of law, 2017 – 2019

- Taught advanced legal writing, research, and practice
- Bar exam lecturer on all major subjects
- Developed and taught legal writing orientation programming

John Marshall Law School

Adjunct professor of law, 2018 – 2019

- Taught advanced legal writing, research, and practice

University of Nevada, Las Vegas, William S. Boyd School of Law

Adjunct professor of law, 2015 – 2017

- Adjunct/visiting professor of the year, 2017
- Taught legal writing including judicial writing and appellate advocacy
- Coached SOA moot court teams
- Bar exam lecturer on all major subjects
- Regularly advised judicial clerkship applicants

- Founded and operated the Pro Se Bootcamp

Appellate Advocacy Blog, a member of the Law Professor Blogs network,
http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/appellate_advocacy

Co-editor and columnist

- Write bi-monthly column on all aspects of legal writing and research
- Select articles with over 80,000 readers; total readership over 300,000
- Three-time Tech Lawyer blog award winner

Pro Se Boot Camp, <http://prosebootcamp.org>

Founder, 2015 – Present

- Founded and manage organization that teaches practical legal skills to high-risk members of the community

Great Lakes Environmental Law Center

Fellow, 2016 – Present

- Research, write, and collaborate with leading experts on cutting-edge water-law issues

Institute of Higher Learning

Bar exam teacher; law school doctrinal and writing teacher, 2013-2019

- Taught students who have been unsuccessful on the bar exam
- Created and teach law school success programs

CLERKSHIPS AND PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Write.law

Co-founder, 2015 – Present

Thompson Reuters

Consultant, 2019-2020

King & Spalding LLP

Associate, 2018-2019

Sidley Austin LLP

Associate, 2017-2018

United States District Court, District of Nevada

Honorable Judge Jennifer Dorsey and Andrew Gordon

Judicial Law Clerk, 2016-2017

United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Honorable Judge Jay Bybee

Judicial Law Clerk, 2015-2016

United States District Court

Honorable Judge Andrew Gordon

Judicial Law Clerk, 2014-2015

Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati
Summer Associate, 2012; Associate, 2013-2014

Univ. of Michigan, Office of General Counsel
Law Clerk, 2011-2013

Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith, LLP
Law Clerk, 2011-2012

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Learning the Legal Writing Moves: One Step at a Time (Book)

- Identifies 100 effective legal writing techniques based on (1) sampling from over 70 major legal writing texts, (2) sampling from over 150 major writing texts, (3) techniques that have support in cognitive science, and (4) common techniques identified in a sample of over 200 legal documents authored by successful advocates
- Teaches these tools using the latest educational theories, including real-world examples and prompts to drill each technique

Applying Industrial Organizational Psychology to Legal Teams (Journal Article)

- Addresses core problems that plague legal-writing teams, including advocacy bias, differing feedback behaviors, poor feedback systems, lack of psychological safety, role ambiguity, group think, self-consistency bias, lack of voice, and cognitive dissonance

Empirical PTD: How Can We Use the Public Trust Doctrine To Protect New Resources (Journal Article)

- Explores the contours in the various standards of review applied to conflicted factfinders who make insurance and benefit claim decisions, pointing out the disconnect between many of these standards and offering proposals for uniform review standards

Collaboration in the Trial Courts: Using Stare Decisis to Improve the Quality of Judicial Decision-making (Journal Article)

- Proposes a modified stare decisis model to encourage collaborative decision-making between trial court judges and develops data suggesting that that trial court collaboration would improve the quality of decision-making

Technology as a Skill: Strategies for Mastering Tech (Journal Article)

- Proposes a framework for learning and teaching legal technology as a skill rather than a product

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Long-form articles

Joseph Regalia, A New Water Law Vista: Rooting the Public Trust Doctrine in the Courts, KENTUCKY LAW JOURNAL, Vol. 108, No. 1, 2019.

Why Mississippi's Plea to the Supreme Court That It "Owns" Its Water and That Tennessee Is "Stealing" It Is Just Wrong, THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW REVIEW ONLINE, October 8, 2019

Leveraging Technology in Student Feedback, Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research and Writing (forthcoming winter 2019) (coauthored)

"Waters of the State": What Does it Mean?
59 Nat. Resources J. 1 (2019) (coauthored)

Bringing Counsel in from the Cold: Reconciling Ethical Rules with the Quagmire of Insurance Defense Practice, 48 N.M. L. Rev. 452 (2018) (coauthored)

Interstate Groundwater Law Revisited: Mississippi v. Tennessee
34 VA. ENVTL. L.J. 152 (2016) (coauthored)

Lines in the Sand: Interstate Groundwater Disputes in the Supreme Court
Nat. Resources & Env't, Fall 2016, at 8 (coauthored)

The Common Law Right to Information
18 RICH. J.L. & PUB. INT. 89 (2015)

Navigating the Law of Ex Parte Communications with Treating Physicians
31 J. CONTEMP. HEALTH L. & POL'Y 35 (2015) (coauthored)

Select short-form articles and briefs

Note: I regularly pen articles at Write.law on various topics. Below is a sample of short-form articles I've published outside of Write.law.

Lawyers Need to Share the Technology Love
Law Insider, 2020

Resume Building is Great, but Mentor Building is Better
LinkedIn Career Series, 2020

Tech Competence Today
Legal Tech Center, 2020

Are You Ready for Internet Courts?
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

7 Steps to Appeasing Your Skeptical Legal Readers
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Using Innovative Tools Instead of Letting Them Use You
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

The Productive Lawyer Redux
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Simple Tools to Avoid Confounding Legal Writing
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Elegant variation: Spicing up some lawyerisms
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Naming Day: Two Simple Tricks To Make Your Points Memorable
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Learning from BriefCatch: Using Technology to Unearth Your Writing Blind Spots
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Reinventing the Legal Writing Classroom with Legal Tech
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Naming Day: Two Simple Tricks To Make Your Points Memorable
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Section Starts: Simple Tools to Introduce Your Brief Sections with Style
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Playing to the Crowd: Simple Tips for Crafting Custom Legal Writing
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

An Eye For Legal Writing: Five Ways Visuals Can Transform Your Briefs
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Simple Tools For Telling Stories in Your Legal Writing
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Want People To Actually Read Your Legal Writing? Use Two Types of Variety
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

The strength of the start: How to Craft Killer Beginnings in Your Legal Writing
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Four ways to harness the power of words in your legal writing
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Legal Writing Like an Entrepreneur
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Edify Your Editing
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

The Power of Tech and Legal Writing
TeachLawBetter, 2019

Amicus Brief in Mississippi v. Tennessee
Lead Author, 2019

8 Ways to Leverage Tech as a Lawyer
ABA Before the Bar, 2019

Life Science, Health-Care Firms Should Beware Telephone Consumer Protection Act
Bloomberg Law, 2019

Three Personas to Create as a Legal Writer
ABA Before the Bar, 2019

Head(ings) I Win, Tails I Lose
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

The Power to Move Your Readers: Empathy
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

Grammar Bots Can Help Fix Your Legal Writing
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

Building Rules Instead of Finding Them
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

The Pitfalls and Power of the Paragraph
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

Your Legal-Writing Voice and the Quotations that Drown it Out
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

Of Robots and Law School
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

The Approaching Legal Writing Disruption?
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

Technology Shouldn't be a Legal Writer's Trigger Word
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

What a Doctor of Design Can Teach You About Legal Writing

Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

The Art of Legal Writing: The Sentence
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

Pulling at the judicial heartstrings
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

Lawyers should not always write like Hemingway
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

Who cares about the law? Legal writing with emotion
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

Make Sure You're the Lawyer That the Judge Can Trust
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

Playing well (as a legal writer) with others
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

Writer's Block and Productivity: The Lawyer's Edition
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

Evidence-based legal writing: Is it possible?
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2018

Making conciseness work: the power of content-word editing
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

Big ideas in small packages
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2019

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Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2017

You shouldn't always write like Hemingway: the ideas behind your sentences.
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2017

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Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2017

Big Idea in Small Packages
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2017

Find the right answers, then ask the right questions
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2017

Issues issues everywhere, but not a one makes sense
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2017

The Immutable Rules
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2017

Leveraging Technology as a Legal Writer
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2017

Programming your Writing Intuition
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2017

Editing Alchemy
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2017

Hello Judge! It's me, Lawyer!
Appellate Advocacy Blog, 2017

Reprogramming your Writing Intuition
TeachLaw, Summer 2017

*An Associate's Most Important Writing: Emails
Before the Bar, ABA Publishing, Summer 2017*

Second Time's a Charm: A Day in the Life of a Bar Failer

Before the Bar, ABA Publishing, Summer 2017

Do State Governments Own Water?

ABA Gov. Law, Summer 2016 (co-authored)

Bringing Ethical Challenges Against Insurance Defense Counsel

ABA Gov. Law, Summer 2016

Social Media Practice Pitfalls

ABA Gov. Law, Summer 2015

Disaster Law: What you Need to Know

ABA Gov. Law, Summer 2015

California's Fight to Fill the Climate Change Gap Meets a Roadblock

MICH. J. ENV. L., Online Edition, Spring 2013

A Supreme Court Case: How Safe is the Silvicultural Rule?"

MICH. J. ENV. L., Online Edition, Spring 2013

Setting the Curve: Mastering Essays and Academic Success in Law School

Amazon Publishing (2016)

Select workshops, CLEs and presentations

Note: I regularly lead trainings and give talks on technology, legal writing, and other topics to law firms, courts, and other organizations in my role with Write.law. Below is a sampling of talks I do outside of Write.law

Robo-Law

William S. Boyd School of Law Justice Douglas Prelaw Program, 2020

Teaching Legal Technology Skills

American Association of Law Schools, 2020

The UNLV Virtual Lawyering Bootcamp

William S. Boyd School of Law, 2020

The Future of Legal Research

Thompson Reuters, 2020

Legal Writing Bootcamp

The Nevada State Bar, 2020

The Future of the Legal Profession

William S. Boyd School of Law, 2020

Mastering the MPT

William S. Boyd School of Law, 2020

Legal Tech Skills in 2020

William S. Boyd School of Law, 2020

Persuasion Science and Legal Writing

The Nevada State Bar Family Law Section, 2020

Legal Writing Mastery Workshop

The Sands Corporation, 2019

Legal Writing for Foreign Lawyers

Loyola School of Law, Chicago, 2019

E-Discovery and Other New Frontiers for Lawyers

Cumberland Law School, 2019

Non-Legal Tech for Lawyers

Wester Regional Conference of Academic Support Professionals, Fall 2019

Legal Writing Basics

Loyola University Chicago School of Law School, Summer 2019

Legal Research Hacks

King & Spaulding LLP, Summer 2019

The Legal Writing Moves that Work

Nevada Attorney General's Office, Summer 2019

Persuading to Win

King & Spaulding LLP, Spring 2019

The Science of Advocacy

Convention of Summary Associates, Spring 2019

Class Action Practice Caselaw Review

King & Spaulding LLP, Spring 2019

Legal Writing Bootcamp Orientation

Loyola University Chicago School of Law School, Spring 2018

Trial Writing

Nevada State Bar Conference, Summer 2018

Legal Writing Moves that Work

Hosted at John Marshall Law School

Cy Pres Today CLE

Sidley Austin, Summer 2018

Writing Well: Legal Writing Like the Best CLE
Sidley Austin, Summer 2018

Killing the Bar Exam
John Marshall Law School, Summer 2018

Killing the MPT
UNLV, William S. Boyd School of Law, Spring 2018

Writing Fundamentals for Foreign Lawyers
Loyola University Chicago School of Law School, Winter 2017

Succeeding at Academic Success, Successfully
Loyola University Chicago School of Law School, Fall 2017

Writing Well: Legal Writing Like the Best
Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith, Summer 2017

Killing the Bar Exam
Loyola University Chicago School of Law School, Fall 2017

Using Small Moves to Reprogram your Legal Writing
Ninth Circuit Legal Writing Series, Fall 2017

Using Transitions, Introductions, and Thesis Sentences
Ninth Circuit Legal Writing Series, Fall 2017

Rethinking How You Explain Rules
Ninth Circuit Legal Writing Series, Fall 2017

Thinking Differently about Editing and Technology in your Legal Writing
Ninth Circuit Legal Writing Series, Fall 2017

Good to Great: Never Stop Writing Better
Ninth Circuit Legal Writing Series, Fall 2017

Reprogramming your Legal Writing to Win
Workshop series for law firms in the Las Vegas area, 2016-2017

Killing the Bar Exam
UNLV, William S. Boyd School of Law, Spring 2017

Academic Success in Law School
UNLV, William S. Boyd School of Law, Spring 2017

Pro Se Bootcamp Interview
KNPR Radio Show, Fall 2016

Mastering the MBE

UNLV, William S. Boyd School of Law, Fall 2016

Mastering Bar Essays

UNLV, William S. Boyd School of Law, Fall 2016

Appellate Writing to Win

UNLV, William S. Boyd School of Law, Fall 2016

Mastering Academic Success in Law School

UNLV, William S. Boyd School of Law, Summer 2016

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIPS

Illinois Bar; California Bar

Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research and Writing, Board member

American Association of Law School Technology Section, Committee member

Association of Legal Writing Directors

- Scholars Fora Committee Member
- Leadership Committee Member
- Publications Committee Member
- Teaching Workshops Committee Member
- Visiting Scholars Committee
- Diversity Committee

UNLV Technology Committee

American Bar Association, SEER Water Resources, Editor

Global Legal Writing Skills, Committee

Journal of Legal Writing Institute, Co-editor

American Bar Association

- Chair, Government Law Committee, 2014
- Chair-elect, Government Law Committee, 2015
- Committee Vice Chair, Government Law Committee, 2014

Scribes Journal of Legal Writing, Member

Certified Mediator