

**CPCS Innocence Program Resumes of Key Personnel**

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**EDUCATION**

**YALE UNIVERSITY**, B.A. with distinction, Religious Studies **1996**

- **Honors:** *summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa

**HARVARD LAW SCHOOL**, J.D. **2000**

- **Honors:** *cum laude*, Kaufman Public Service Fellow, Massachusetts Alumni Public Service Fellow
- **Activities:** *Harvard Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Law Review*, Editorial Board, Harvard Prison Legal Assistance Project, Board Member and Student Attorney, Criminal Justice Institute, Student Attorney

**NATIONAL CRIMINAL DEFENSE COLLEGE**, Trial Practice Institute graduate, Macon, GA **June 2006**

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**COMMITTEE FOR PUBLIC COUNSEL SERVICES** **2002-present**

- **Director, CPCS Innocence Program, 2011-present.** Administer statewide public defender Innocence Program; screen and evaluate cases in which indigent Massachusetts criminal defendants asserting actual innocence seek post-conviction services; litigate post-conviction innocence claims in trial and appellate courts; supervise litigation of IP cases by staff and private panel attorneys; monitor IP cases to ensure collection of performance measure data; train post-conviction attorneys on issue relevant to the litigation of innocence cases; train trial attorneys on best practices to avoid future wrongful convictions; administer statewide Expert Funding System; manage federal post-conviction DNA Testing Assistance Program grant.
- **Somerville Superior Court office, 2002-2007, 2009-2011.** Represented indigent clients in felony trial matters in Middlesex Superior, Malden, Somerville and Woburn District Courts. Handled numerous jury trials and evidentiary hearings, extensive motions practice, sentencing advocacy, and work with experts on issues including cross-racial identification, DNA, forensic issues, and competency/ criminal responsibility.
- **Appeals unit, 2007-2009.** Handled fifteen felony criminal appeals in Appeals Court and Supreme Judicial Court, with six reversals, including three published decisions: *Commonwealth v. Pierre* (improper delay of search incident to arrest), *Commonwealth v. Garcia* (improper closing argument), and *Commonwealth v. Hollister* (erroneous admission of gun certificate of analysis).

**GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER**, Washington, DC **2000-2002**

- Prettyman fellow with Criminal Justice Clinic. Represented indigent clients in misdemeanor and felony matters in D.C. Superior Court, supervised ten third-year law students enrolled in criminal clinic.

**MINTZ, LEVIN, COHN, FERRIS, GLOVSKY & POPEO, P.C.**, Boston, MA **Summer 1999**

- Summer associate at large general practice law firm.

**YOUTH ADVOCACY PROJECT**, Roxbury, MA **Summer 1998**

- Law clerk at juvenile branch of Committee for Public Counsel Services.

### **PUBLICATIONS AND OTHER EXPERIENCE**

- Frequent lecturer at MCLE, CPCS Training Unit, and Boston College Law School, BC Defenders class
- Selected list of presentations:
  - MCLE, Chair of Program, “Applying for and Executing Search Warrants,” March 4, 2009
  - CPCS New Lawyer Training, “Substantive Motions,” Sept. 2005, Oct. 2006
  - CPCS New Lawyer Training, “Sentencing Law and Advocacy,” Sept. 2007
  - MCLE, “Keeping Hearsay Out,” Nov. 2007, April 2008
  - CPCS Annual Conference, “Dealing with Hearsay,” May 2010
  - CPCS New Lawyer Training, “How, When and Why to Object to Harmful Evidence,” Jan. 2009, Oct. 2009, Jan. 2010, June 2010, Sept. 2010, March 2011,
  - CPCS/ Innocence Program, Issue Spotting in DNA cases, “Overview of Recent DNA, Discovery, and Expert Opinion Cases in Massachusetts,” Jan. 6, 2012
  - MCLE Forensic Summit, “Overview of Post-NAS Cases in Massachusetts,” Jan. 30, 2012
  - CPCS Annual Conference, “Post-Conviction Access to Forensic Analysis: Rule 30 vs. M.G.L. 278A,” May 17, 2012
  - MACDL Post-Conviction Seminar, “Post-Conviction Access to Forensic Analysis: Rule 30 vs. M.G.L. 278A,” November 16, 2012
  - CPCS Training Developer/ Co-Chair, “Daubert Litigation Training Program,” January 10-11, 2013
  - Innocence Network Conference, Panelist, “Defendant Notification in the Wake of a Forensic Crisis,” April 2013
  - CPCS Training Developer/ Co-Chair, “Litigating New Trial Motions,” June 15-16, 2013
  - CPCS Training Developer/ Co-Chair, “Second Annual Daubert Litigation Training Program,” January 31 – February 1, 2014
  - Invited Lecturer, Suffolk Law School , “Lessons of DNA in Innocence Litigation,” January 14, 2014
  - CPCS Appellate Brown Bag Luncheon Series Speaker, “Chapter 278A, the Massachusetts Post-conviction Innocence Law,” February 6, 2014
  - MCLE, “Litigating Chapter 278A Innocence Cases,” March 21, 2014
  - Harvard Law School Prison Legal Assistance Project and Harvard Defenders, “Innocence Litigation: a Massachusetts Perspective,” March 28, 2014
  - Innocence Network Conference, Panelist, “Starting an Innocence Effort,” and “Ethics and Best Practices: Solving Real Problems,” April 11, 2014
  - Invited Lecturer, Harvard Law School, April 13, 2014
- Faculty member, Harvard Law School *Trial Advocacy Workshop* and Suffolk Law School Macaronis Institute *Advanced Evidence Skills* courses.
- Author, *Massachusetts’s Sexually Dangerous Persons Legislation: Can Juries Make a Bad Law Better?* 35 HARV. C.R.-C.L. L. REV. 509 (2000).

### **MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS**

- Innocence Network Board, presently serve on Ethics/ Best Practices and Membership Committees
- Massachusetts Bar Association, Criminal Justice Section Council, 2009-2013
- Youth Build U.S.A., Criminal Justice Initiative, Advisory Board