**CAROLINE L. OSBORNE**

Associate Professor of Law and Director of the Law Library

West Virginia University College of Law

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Morgantown, WV 26501

**Academic Experience**

**West Virginia University College of Law**, Morgantown, WV 2018 to present

*Associate Professor of Law and Director of the Law Library*

**Washington and Lee University School of Law**, Lexington, VA 2007 to 2018

*Assistant Dean of Legal Information Services and*

*Professor of Legal Research*, 2010 to June 2018

*Acting Law Librarian (Director) and Lecturer in Law,* 2009 - 2010

*Research and Instructional Services Librarian and Lecturer in Law,* 2007-2009

**University of Richmond School of Law**, Richmond, VA 2004 - 2007

*Reference and Research Services Librarian*

**Education**

**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**, Chapel Hill, NC Dec. 2003

*M.S.L.S.*

**Emory University School of Law**, Atlanta, GA May 1992

*LL.M. in Taxation*

Merit Scholar 1991-1992

**University of Richmond**, Richmond, VA May 1991

*J.D.*

*University of Richmond Law Review*

The McNeill Law Honor Society –invitation limited to top 10% by class rank

Merit Scholar 1989-1991

American Jurisprudence Book Award – Civil Procedure II

**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill,** Chapel Hill, NC May 1988

*B.A.* in Political Science and Psychology

**Awards**

2016 American Association of Law Libraries Law Library Publications Award, Print Division ⎯ The Library at Washington and Lee University School of Law Lexington, VA, Celebrating Scholarship at W&L.

2015 American Association of Law Libraries Academic Libraries Special Interest Section Outstanding Article Award ⎯ James M. Donovan, Carol A. Watson, and Caroline L. Osborne, *The Open Access Advantage for American Law Reviews*, 1 JPTOS 1 (2015).

**Scholarship**

**Articles:**

Caroline L. Osborne, *Research Tool is Not Law: A Response to Code Revision Commission v. Public.Resource.Org, Inc.* 28 Texas Intell. Prop. L. J*.* (2019) *publication forthcoming*.

Caroline L. Osborne and Stephanie C. Miller, *Curricular Changes in Legal Research Instruction: An Empirical Study*, 37 Legal Ref. Services Q. 97 (2018).

Caroline L. Osborne, *International Investment Laws and Alternative Dispute Resolution: A Guide to Web Based Resources*, 46 Int’l. J. Legal Info. 181 (2018).

Caroline L. Osborne, *Programming to Promote Information Literacy in the Era of Fake News*, 35 Int’l. J. Legal Info. 46 (2018).

Caroline L. Osborne, *The Legal Research Plan and the Research Log: An Examination of the Role of the Research Plan and Research Log in the Research Process*, 35 Legal Ref. Services Q. 179 (2016).

Caroline L. Osborne, *The State of Legal Research Education: A Survey of First Year Legal Research Programs or ‘Why Johnny and Jane Cannot Research*,*’* 108 Law Libr. J. 403 (2016).

James M. Donovan, Carol A. Watson, and Caroline L. Osborne, *The Open Access Advantage for American Law Reviews*, 1 JPTOS 1 (2015).

Caroline L. Osborne, *A Methodical Approach to Legal Research: The Legal Research Plan, an Essential Tool for Today’s Law Student and New Attorney*, 32 Legal Ref. Services Q. 54 (2013).

**Book Chapters:**

Caroline L. Osborne, Chapter 8, Legal Periodicals, Indexes, Directories and Statistical Information, in A Guide to Legal Research in Virginia (Virginia CLE Publications 8th ed. 2017).

Caroline L. Osborne et al., Appendix C to The Boulder Statements on Legal Research Education: The Intersection of Intellectual and Practical Skills (Susan Nevelow Mart ed. 2014).

**Other:**

Caroline L. Osborne, *Ask a Director: Reporting Accomplishments*, 22 AALL Spectrum 36 (2018).

Caroline L. Osborne, Amy Eaton, & Carol Watson, *Securing Professional Development: Getting to Yes*, 22 AALL Spectrum 14 (2018).

Caroline L. Osborne, *Identification of Trends in the Teaching of Legal Research* (unpublished Master’s Thesis, U. of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2003) (copy on file with the School of Information and Library Sciences, available at <http://ils.unc.edu/mspapers/2902.pdf>).

Caroline L. Osborne & Jennifer Rinalducci, *Evaluation of Web-Based Resources within the Art History Discipline*. Technical Report, School of Information and Library Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (2002) (available at <http://sils.unc.edu/research/publications/reports/TR-2002-04.pdf>).

**Works in Progress**

*The Intersection of Legal Research and Legal Analysis*

A book proposal for Carolina Academic Press focusing on research skills and legal analysis. The proposal’s premise is that legal analysis is at the center of research.

*The Role of the Law Library in Scholarly Impact Metrics*

The basis of this project is an empirical study on a variety of citation metrics. I use the results of this study to identify how the law library may impact the dissemination and discoverability of a scholar’s work.

**Presentations, Workshops, Conferences, & Other Invitations**

Maximizing Your Faculty’s Scholarly Impact: Techniques to Increase Findability, American Association of Law Libraries, Washington, DC, July 16, 2019

Lessons Learned, Teaching the Teachers Conference, Atlanta, GA, May 31, 2019.

Reaping the Benefits of Mentors and Trusted Advisors, Southeastern Chapter of American Association of Law Libraries, Institute, Hot Springs, VA, March 21, 2019.

The Law School Roaring Twenties/Great Depression: The View from the Director’s Suite on the Challenges Facing Law Schools and Law Libraries in the 21st Century, Southeastern Chapter of American Association of Law Libraries, Hot Springs, VA, March 22, 2019.

“Law Libraries and Technology Disruption in Legal Information, Legal Education, and the Practice of Law”, Discussion Group, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, August 2018.

“Fake News, Post-Truth, and Information Literacy,” Panel, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Nashville, TN, April 13, 2018.

Funding Professional Development: Getting a Bigger Bang for Your Buck, Virginia Library Association, Norfolk, VA, October 12, 2017.

“Information Literacy in a False/Fake News World,” Panel, International Association of Law Libraries, Atlanta, GA, October 25, 2017.

“Legal Research and Law Practice Technology Pedagogy,” Discussion Group, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Boca Raton, FL, July 31, 2017.

“Maximizing Scholarly Impact,” Discussion Group, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Boca Raton, FL, July 31, 2017.

“Show Me the Money: Funding Professional Development,” American Association of Law Libraries, Austin, TX, July 17, 2017

“An Inspired Classroom or Meeting: Re-inventing Yourself and Your Approach,” Southeastern Chapter of American Association of Law Libraries, Raleigh, NC, March 31, 2017

“The Alchemy of Your Career: Turning Straw into Gold,” Virginia Library Association, Hot Springs, VA, October 27, 2016

“Law Practice, Legal Technology, and Law Libraries,” Panelist, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Amelia Island, FL, August 9, 2016

“Law Libraries and Legal Education – Financial Drain or Transformational Resource,” Discussion Group, Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Amelia Island, FL, August 8, 2016

“Accreditation Under the New ABA Standards,” Society of Academic Law Library Directors, Northwestern Law School, Chicago, IL, July 7, 2016

“Isn’t This Class Just Dicta? Making Legal Research Relevant and Things You Wish You’d Have Known,” Southeastern Chapter of American Association of Law Schools, Dallas, TX, April 14, 2016

“Libraries Adding Value: The Potential of the 21st Century Law Library” Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Boca Raton, FL, August 2, 2015

“Privacy and the Digital Collection: Lessons Learned and Best Practices,” Virginia Library Association, Richmond, VA, October 22, 2015

University of North Texas 2015 Open Access Symposia: The Open Access Advantage for

American Law Reviews, University of North Texas, Dallas, TX, May 19, 2015

“Privacy and the Digital Collection: Best Practices,” Southeastern Chapter of American Association of Law Libraries Institute, Lexington, KY, April 16, 2016

“Open Access Institutional Repositories and Promotion of Faculty Scholarship," Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Amelia Island, FL, August 5, 2014

“The Risk, the Plan, the Payoff Webinar” bepress, April 29, 2014

“New Frontiers in Legal Research Education: Implementing Alternative Methods of Legal Research Instruction – One Year Later,” Southeastern Chapter of American Association of Law Libraries, Knoxville, TN, April 5, 2014

“Job Satisfaction: What Each of Us Do to Put it in Reach at Washington and Lee,” Southeastern Chapter of American Association of Law Libraries, Knoxville, TN, April 3, 2014

“The Necessity, the Plan, the Payoff: Implementing a Law Repository at Washington and Lee,” Virginia Association of Law Libraries, October 25, 2013

“The Risk, the Plan, the Payoff: Implementing a Law Repository at Washington and Lee,” American Association of Law Libraries, Seattle, WA, July 14, 2013

“Something Borrowed, Something Blue: Student Services for the Millennial Generation,” Southeastern Chapter of American Association of Law Libraries, April 20, 2013

“Bespoke Librarian: How to Craft Made-to-Order Faculty Services,” Southeastern Chapter of American Association of Law Libraries, Decatur, GA, April 19, 2013

“Finding Common Ground to Produce Practice Ready Graduates,” Southeastern Chapter of American Association of Law Libraries, Institute, Decatur, GA, April 18, 2013

“Boulder Conference on Legal Information: Scholarship and Teaching 2012,” Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, July 19-21, 2012

Lexis Legal Research & Writing Summit April 25-26, 2011

Faculty Panel, Lexis-Nexis Law School Team Meeting, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, June 20-23, 2011

**Courses Taught**

West Virginia University College of Law

Cultural Property Law 2019

Introduction to Legal Research 2018 to present

Washington and Lee University School of Law

Copyright Law 2017

Legal Research I 2015 to present

Advanced Legal Research 2007 to present

Burks Scholar Legal Research Program 2008 to present

Introduction to the Legal Profession (Spring Term undergraduate course) 2015 and 2017

University of Richmond School of Law

Legal Research I and II 2004 - 2007

**Professional Memberships and Service**

American Association of Law Libraries

Spectrum Article of the Year Award Jury, 2019-2020

Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section, 2016 to present

Past-Chair, 2018-2019; Chair, 2017-2018, Vice-Chair/Chair Elect, 2016-2017

Bylaws Presidential Task Force, 2015 - 2016

Chapter Summit Planning Committee Task Force, 2015 - 2016

Chair, Bylaws Committee, 2010-2011; Vice-Chair, 2009 – 2010

Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries

Local Arrangements Chair, 2019 Annual Meeting, 2017 – 2019

President, 2015-2016; Vice President, 2014-2015; member, 2004 to present

Chair, Bylaws Committee, 2016-2017

Board Member, 2014-2017

*Legal Information Review*, Board of Editors, 2016 to 2019

*International Journal of Legal Information*, Book Review Editor, 2019

West Virginia University College of Law

Access to Justice Commission, 2019-2020

Scholarship Committee, 2018 to present

Appointments Committee, 2019-2020

Academic Planning, 2019-2020

Washington and Lee University School of Law

University Intellectual Property Standing Committee, 2015 to 2018

University Art Collections Committee, 2012 to 2018

Student Affairs Committee, 2017- 2018

Lectures and Awards Committee, 2016 to 2018

Post Graduate Fellowship Committee, 2016 to 2018

Faculty Library Committee, 2007 - 2016

Self-Study Committee, 2014 - 2015

Law Building Committee, 2013 - 2015

Law Commencement, 2014

Provost Search Committee, 2012 - 2013

University of Richmond School of Law

Career Services Search Committee, 2007

Curriculum Committee, 2004 - 2007

Virginia Continuing Legal Education Board, Washington and Lee Law School member to board governing Virginia CLE, a non-profit educational division of the Virginia Law Foundation, 2009 to Spring 2018

American Bar Association Site Visits

Faulkner Law School, February 2020

Ohio State University College of Law, October 2018

Fordham University School of Law, February 2016

Creighton School of Law, September 2016

COSELL, Board of Directors, Secretary, 2008 - 2010

United Way of Lexington-Rockbridge, Virginia, Board of Directors, 2008 - 2012

**Key Initiatives**

**West Virginia University College of Law**

Engage in strategic planning process designed to develop strategic initiatives focuses on library service to the law school, University, community and state.

Implement Scholarly Communications program to facilitate promotion and discovery of legal scholarship.

Implement program aimed at bench and bar designed to meet the legal information needs of the citizens of West Virginia.

Create strategic library partnership with West Virginia Legal Aid and Access to Justice Commission to facilitate access to legal information in lawyer desserts.

**Washington and Lee University School of Law**

Implement institutional repository to promote legal scholarship. Become the fourteenth bepress law repository to reach one million downloads.

Bring W&L Law Reads program to law school to highlight the importance of reading for pleasure. *To Kill a Mockingbird* and *All the President’s Men* featured as the first two selections with event culminating in a panel discussion featuring noted experts from multiple departments within the University.

Create McThenia Research Assistant pool for law library to expand quality research support for faculty scholarship.

Increase number of dual degreed librarians through strategic realignment of library resources and elimination of obsolete workflows.

Implement Student News Awareness Program and faculty current awareness program utilizing news aggregator InfoNgen. This initiative supports a highly individualized current awareness newsletter for faculty and provides students with timely access to the news of the week.

Design and build library space for millennial generation within existing footprint of the library in a manner to support and further facilitate a strategic transformation of law library from traditional library to a service organization supporting the faculty, students, and administration.

Using liberal arts model, create *Introduction to the Legal Profession* course for undergraduates in Washington & Lee’s innovative spring term semester.

Support nationally recognized Law Journal Rankings

Foster digitization of materials from the Powell and Law School Archives, Virginia Board of Bar Examiners and Virginia Supreme Court Records.

Engage in strategic planning.

**Other Representative Legal Experience**

**Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft**, New York, NY 2001 to 2002

*Senior Associate*

**Kennedy Covington Lobdell & Hickman, LLP**, Charlotte, NC 1997 to 2000

*Senior Associate*.

**Hunter, Maclean, Exley & Dunn, P.C.**, Savannah, GA 1995 to 1996

*Associate*

**Womble Carlyle Sandridge and Rice, PLLC**, Winston-Salem, NC 1992 to 1994

*Associate*

**Bar Admissions**

North Carolina (1991 - active) Georgia (1994 – inactive) New York (2001 – retired)