

Curriculum Vitae

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OBJECTIVE AND SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

Accomplished attorney, mediator and educator seeks to teach legal studies courses at the undergraduate or law school levels. Over 20 years of experience in the field of law as a paralegal and attorney. Has extensive knowledge and practical experience in general family law, real estate law, estate planning, trusts and probate law and alternative dispute resolution. A teacher in a legal studies program for over 10 years. Well versed with faculty requirements, grading, continuing education, online learning, test preparation and motivational techniques. A proven track record of outstanding teaching based on student evaluations. A dedicated and caring professional with enthusiasm for mentoring and teaching.

EDUCATION

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| Suffolk University, Cape Cod Campus, West Barnstable, MA | B.S. Business Administration 2002 |
| Southern New England Law School, North Dartmouth, MA | Juris Doctorate 2007 |
| William James College, Newton, MA | Graduate Training – Parenting Coordination 2018 |
| Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education, Boston, MA | |

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| Alimony Summit | Bankruptcy Law |
| Chapter 93A – Consumer Protection Law | Civil Deposition Practice |
| Civil Litigation Annual Conference | Damages in Massachusetts Litigation |
| Divorce Law Annual Conference | Effective Appellate Advocacy |
| Estate Planning for the Incapacitated Client | Family Court Judicial Forum |
| Family Law Mediation Workshop | Fiduciary & Estate Income Tax |
| Handling a Simple Estate Plan | Home Improvement Contractor Act |
| Handling Residential Real Estate Closings | How to Win Motions for Summary Judgment |
| MA Mortgages, Foreclosures, Workouts | Massachusetts Trusts & Estate Planning |
| Medical Malpractice Conference | Residential and Commercial Title Insurance |
| Real Estate and Title Examination Law | Special Education Law |
| Understanding Probate Law | Zoning Practice |

CAREER OVERVIEW

**The Law Office of Chantal Hayes Rice, Esq.
and Cape Cod Divorce & Mediation, P.C., West Yarmouth, MA (2011 – Present)**

Attorney (2011-Present): Owner/President of Firm concentrating in Probate and Family Law. Practice areas include: divorce litigation and mediation, real estate law, guardianships of minors, estate planning, guardianship of intellectually disabled persons and elderly, conservatorships, probate and trust administration, general litigation including contract disputes, 93A consumer protection actions and personal injury. Firm offers limited legal representation (LAR), full representation, mediation, collaborative law, parenting coordination and conciliation.

Hayes & Hayes Attorneys-At-Law, P.C., West Yarmouth, MA (1998-2011)

Associate Attorney (2008-2011): Assumed primary responsibility for and negotiated cases under the direct supervision of the senior partner. Consistently brought in new business including those in personal injury, medical malpractice, will contests, divorce, real estate, contract and general litigation. Drafted wills, trusts, purchase and sale agreements, personal injury settlement letters, 93A demand letters, divorce & premarital agreements. Active participation in pleadings, motions, interrogatories; negotiations and conferences with opposing counsels, parties and insurance companies. Made regular court appearances with senior partner.

Paralegal (1998-2007): Primary duties included the facilitation of residential and commercial real estate closings and providing general assistance to attorneys in matters of probate, foreclosure and litigation.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Cape Cod Community College, Barnstable, MA (2009-Present)

Adjunct Teacher

Course developed and taught:

LGS 130 - Introduction to Substantive Law

Course is designed to provide students with an overview on various substantive areas of law including; personal and subject matter jurisdiction, precedent, the federal & state court systems, contracts, tort law, family law, probate and estate planning, criminal law & criminal procedure.

Format of course: PowerPoint presentations integrating general course material with practical applications, examples and analysis of Massachusetts rules and statutes and guest speakers.

BUS 120 - Business Law

This course is a general education requirement for several degree programs. A comprehensive guide to the basic principles and practices of business law, subject areas include: business ethics, judicial process and court systems, constitutional grounds for business regulation and government regulation, white collar crime and business torts, contracts, agency, consumer protection and business organizations. *Format of course:* PowerPoint presentations, video, lectures and in-class group assignment. Course taught both as a live class and an online class.

LGS 131 - Family Law

This course is focused on the practice of family law. Students receive a practical education on the case law, statutes and court rules concerning family law topics including; annulment, grounds for divorce, uncontested and contested divorce procedure, marital property, the equitable division of marital property, alimony, child custody and support, guardianship of minors and adoption. Course introduces the law of domestic violence and the role of social services in child protection cases. The course incorporates the procedural aspects of family law including motion practice, preparing for court hearings and trials, post-trial motions and appeals. *Format of Course:* PowerPoint presentations, case studies, student group and individual projects, motion drafting, preparation of standard family law documents and research projects. Course taught both as a live class and an online class.

LGS 134 - Real Estate, Mortgages and Landlord-Tenant Law

This course involves the study of real and personal property law with a special emphasis on both substantive law and the practice of real estate transactions, including the drafting of real estate contracts and documents, title examination and an understanding of the mortgage lending.

Additionally, the laws concerning residential and commercial leases, the rights and responsibilities of tenants and landlords, security deposit laws, eviction and housing court procedure. *Format of Course:* PowerPoint presentations, document review, case analysis and preparation, research projects.

LGS 136 - Estate Planning, Will, Trusts and Probate

This course covers the procedure, techniques and the substantive law in the planning of estates from simple wills to complex trusts. Course subjects include health care proxy, durable general power of attorney, guardianship & conservatorships, will contests and other contested probate matters. Students learn the process of probate and the responsibilities of the personal representative, including the payment of expenses, debts and claims against the estate, inventory of the decedent's assets, filing of personal, fiduciary and estate tax returns.

Format of Course: PowerPoint Presentations, document review, case analysis, preparation of an estate plan, preparation of probate forms. Course taught as a live class, online and hybrid class.

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS & CERTIFICATIONS

First Justices Award – *probono legal services*, 2015 - 2019

Parenting Coordinator Training - Certification 2018

Committee for Public Counsel Services – CAFL panel certification 2017

MCLC - Collaborative Law Training – certification 2015

Independence House, Inc., Hyannis, MA – domestic violence training program - certification 2012, also establish free legal clinic for victims of domestic violence. Received award recognizing outstanding service in 2014 & 2015.

MCLE - Family Law Mediation Training – certification 2010

Massachusetts Law License – admitted 2008

Massachusetts Notary Public – commissioned in 2004

Law School Accolades 2003-2006:

Supreme Court Attendance (2006) – in recognition of excellent academic achievement at the Southern New England School of Law, one of twenty students selected to accompany the dean to the US Supreme Court in Washington, D.C. After attending oral arguments at the nation's highest court, invited into chambers by Chief Justice John Roberts who graciously spoke to the group and answered questions.

National Moot Court Competition (2005) – one of three students selected to represent the Southern New England School of Law in the national competition. Case involved issues of Constitutional Law, specifically regulatory takings and just compensation. Awarded a Certificate of Achievement by the dean of the law school.

Intellectual Property Moot Court Competition (2004) - one of two students selected to represent Southern New England School of Law in a regional competition between law schools in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Connecticut and New York. Case involved issues of patent law and trademark infringement. Awarded a Certificate of Achievement by the dean of the law school.

Dean's List – Southern New England School of Law (2003, 2004, 2005)

Beta Gamma Sigma – Business Honor Society (2002)

CURRENT MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

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| Women's Initiative Team, <i>founding member</i> | Since 2019 |
| Association of Family and Conciliation Courts | Since 2018 |
| Massachusetts Collaborative Law Council | Since 2017 |
| National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys | Since 2016 |
| Rotary Club of Yarmouth, <i>active member in good standing</i> | Since 2014 |
| We Can, Inc., Harwich, MA, <i>volunteer attorney for legal clinics</i> | Since 2012 |
| Independence House, Hyannis, MA, <i>volunteer attorney</i> | Since 2012 |
| Massachusetts Council on Family Mediation | Since 2010 |
| Cape Cod Community College, adjunct teacher and advisor | Since 2009 |
| Barnstable Bar Association, <i>lawyer of the day</i> | Since 2009 |
| Massachusetts Bar Association | Since 2008 |

HOBBIES & PERSONAL INTERESTS

Skiing, biking, yoga, personal fitness, paddle boarding, kayaking, sailing, hiking, camping, tennis, golf, swimming laps, Zumba, white water rafting, gardening, beach, cooking, reading non-fiction, volunteering & community service, Rotary International, American history, European & Caribbean Travel

Personal & Professional References Available Upon Request