

# ZACHARY M. SCHMOOK

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### APPOINTMENTS

#### **University of Oklahoma College of Law**

Faculty Director, Graduate Healthcare Law Program (2025–Present)

Associate Professor of Legal Practice (2023–Present)

Assistant Professor of Legal Writing (2017–2023)

Courses:    Research, Writing, and Analysis  
              Oral Advocacy  
              Introduction to Brief Writing  
              Advanced Legal Persuasion  
              Professional Writing for Litigators  
              Negotiation Theory and Practice  
              Legal Foundations  
              Research, Writing, and Analysis (L.L.M.)  
              Legal Aspects of Health Information Management (Master of Legal Studies)

### OTHER TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### **Washington University School of Law**

Adjunct Professor, Mediation Theory and Practice (2016–2017)

Adjunct Professor, Introduction to U.S. Law and Methods (2015–2016)

Supervising Attorney, Civil Rights and Community Justice Clinic (2008–2017)

### EDUCATION

#### **Washington University School of Law, J.D. (2007)**

Scholar in Law Award

#### **University of Maryland, B.S. Agricultural and Resource Economics (2004)**

National Merit Finalist; Honors Citation

### PUBLICATIONS

*Words, Wolves, and Show Dogs*, 16 LEGAL COMM’N & RHETORIC: JALWD 201 (2019)  
(reviewing Lane Greene, *Talk on the Wild Side* (2018)).

*Law School Clinic and Community Legal Services Provider Collaborate to Advance the Remedy of Implied Warranty of Habitability in Missouri*, 53 WASH. U. J. L. & POL’Y 169 (2017) (with Karen Tokarz).

*Welcome to the Village: An Analysis of How St. Louis County Occupancy Permit Schemes Perpetuate Segregation and Violate the Constitution*, 24-2 J. AFFORDABLE HOUS. & CMTY. DEV. L. 211 (2015) (with Lauren Verseman).

## PRESENTATIONS

*Terminator to the Rescue: Leveraging AI to Improve Your Class Slides and Handouts*, Western Regional Legal Writing Conference, Seattle University (Sept. 2024).

*Death by PowerPoint*, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, Texas Tech University (July 2020).

*Practice, Process, Communication, and Community*, University of Pittsburgh (Nov. 2019).

*Effective Brief Writing and Development of a Persuasive Statement of Facts*, OU Law Board of Advocates, University of Oklahoma (Sept. 2019).

*Legal Writing and Legal Ethics*, Oklahoma Corporation Commission, Continuing Legal Education Presentation (Aug. 2019).

*Legal Writing and Legal Ethics*, Oklahoma Bar Association - Government and Administrative Law Practice Section, Continuing Legal Education Presentation (June 2019).

*Effective Brief Writing and Incorporation of Authority*, OU Law Board of Advocates, University of Oklahoma (Sept. 2018).

*Collaborative Writing in the Cloud*, Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference, Marquette University (with Gail Mullins, University of Oklahoma College of Law) (July 2018).

*Can I Live Here, Please? Occupancy Permits and Nuisance Bans*, Metro. St. Louis Equal Housing & Opportunity Council Annual Conference, Missouri History Museum (with Rigel Oliveri, University of Missouri School of Law) (Apr. 2015).

## MEDIA COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Zachary Schmoock, *5 Tips to Remember from 1L Legal Writing*, AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION: AFTER THE BAR (Feb. 15, 2021), <https://perma.cc/TF43-QCSP>.

Editorial Board, *Without enforcement teeth, discrimination abounds against Section 8 tenants*, ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH, Feb. 5, 2019 (reporting on *Locked Out/Locked In: Section 8 Discrimination*, a report I helped draft for the Metropolitan St. Louis Equal Housing & Opportunity Council).

Janelle O'Dea, *For the poor, elderly and disabled, Section 8 housing hard to find in south St. Louis*, ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH, Jan. 31, 2019 (covering the release of *Locked Out/Locked In: Section 8 Discrimination*).

Sarah Fenske, *Landlord Who Sexually Harassed 15 Tenants Must Pay Them \$600K*, RIVERFRONT TIMES, Mar. 19, 2018 (covering settlement of case I worked on with the Metropolitan St. Louis Equal Housing & Opportunity Council).

David Hutton, Missouri Supreme Court rules tenants have a right to jury trials, ST. LOUIS RECORD, Dec. 28, 2017 (highlighting decision reached by Missouri Supreme Court in *Brainchild Holdings, LLC v. Cameron*, 534 S.W.3d 243 (Mo. 2017), where I made oral arguments).

Scott Lauk, Court weighs jury right in landlord-tenant case, MISSOURI LAWYERS WEEKLY, Sept. 7, 2017 (summarizing my oral argument before the Missouri Supreme Court in *Brainchild Holdings, LLC v. Cameron*, 534 S.W.3d 243 (Mo. banc 2017)).

## EDITING

Shadi Sadr et al., *International Criminal Law Legal Developments Year in Review: 2024*, AM. BAR ASS'N INT'L LAW SECTION EDS., Jul. 17, 2025), <https://perma.cc/M8Y7-BCCB> (editor).

VIVEK SEHRAWAT, CONCISE LEGAL WRITING AND ANALYSIS IN PLAIN ENGLISH (Lexis Nexis 2023) (editor).

## OU MAIN CAMPUS SERVICE

### *Committee Member:*

Provost's Faculty Awards Committee (2024–Present)  
ROTC Advisory Committee (2023–Present)  
Legal Panel (2020–2023)  
Academic Regulations Committee (2020–2023)  
Ed Cline Faculty Development Awards Committee (2020–2021)  
Honorary Degrees Screening Committee (2018–2020)

## LAW SCHOOL SERVICE

*Faculty Secretary* (elected) (2019–2020, 2020–2021, 2022–2023)  
*Chair*, Renewable Term Faculty Tenure/Promotion Drafting Committee (2019–2021)  
*Faculty Advisor*, Student Federal Bar Association (2022–2024)  
*Interviewer*, OU College of Law Admissions (2020)

### *Faculty Advisor/Coach:*

Appellate Lawyers Association Moot Court Competition (2024–2025)  
National Appellate Advocacy Competition (2022–2023)  
Emory Civil Rights Moot Court (2020)  
Billings, Exum, and Frye Constitutional Moot Court (2018–2021)  
McGee Civil Rights Moot Court (2017–2020)

### *Committee Member:*

Committee on Academic Probation and Readmission (2023–Present)  
L.L.M and Master of Legal Studies Admissions Committee (2022–Present)  
Competitions Committee (2019–Present)  
Pro Bono Program Committee (2018–2021)  
1L Writing Program Committee (2017–Present)  
Code of Academic Responsibility Appeals Board (2017–2019; 2023–Present)  
Experiential Learning Committee (2017–2018)

## EXTERNAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

### **American Bar Association**

*Problem Writer for ABA Negotiation Competition, 2018–2023*

### **Metropolitan St. Louis Equal Housing & Opportunity Council**

*Board Member, 2023–Present*

*Of Counsel, 2017–2020*

### **Legal Aid Services of Oklahoma, Inc.**

*Volunteer Attorney (COVID-19 Eviction Moratorium), 2020–2021*

### **Norman Public Schools**

*District Gifted/Talented Advisory Committee Member (elected), 2020–2021*

### **Thomas Jefferson High School**

*Mock Trial Coach, 2008–2016*

### **Other Pro Bono Legal Assistance (2008–Present)**

Provided at least fifty hours of pro bono service each year by, e.g., assisting Reserve Soldiers in civilian employment disputes with civilian employers, counseling homeowners facing foreclosure, or representing tenants in eviction actions

## OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Metropolitan St. Louis Equal Housing & Opportunity Council (EHOC)**

*Deputy Director and Managing Attorney (2013–2017)*

*Managing Attorney (2010–2013)*

*Staff Attorney (2007–2010)*

- Primary legal representative for EHOC and individual clients in litigation and administrative actions to enforce the Fair Housing Act and other civil rights laws
- Supervised attorneys representing individual clients with civil rights complaints; assigned cases to staff attorneys; managed caseloads and staff support
- Planned and executed legal strategy for cases, including discovery, expert witness preparation, motion practice, trial advocacy, and appellate actions
- Managed workflow and intake to ensure that agency was able to completely and accurately report work performed to satisfy grant obligations
- Directed expenditure of agency resources, including 10 employees and an annual budget of over \$650,000, to ensure effective execution of mission
- Maintained agency-wide compliance with the Rules of Professional Responsibility by ensuring all staff and volunteers were adequately trained, maintaining conflict-checking software, and addressing any potential ethical issues

### **United States Department of Justice—Eastern District of Missouri, Civil Division**

*Law Student Intern (2007)*

### **University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa**

*Land Clinic Intern (2005)*

## REPRESENTATIVE CASES

*Brainchild Holdings, L.L.C. v. Cameron*, 534 S.W.3d 243, 244 (Mo. banc 2017)  
(upholding the right of jury trial for tenants in eviction actions).

*Walton v. Hathaway Vill. Partners*, No. 4:16-CV-00269 (E.D. Mo. May 26, 2017)  
(mediated settlement of fair housing retaliation claim).

*Smith v. Chance*, No. 1422-AC04834 (Mo. 22nd Cir. Dec. 10, 2014) (jury trial verdict for client in a fair housing retaliation case).

*EHOC v. NHC*, No. H-10/09-03248 (HUD Jan. 12, 2011) (settled complaints of discriminatory advertising against fifteen housing providers).

*EHOC v. Ashwood Apartments*, No. 07-0028 HRC (Mo. Comm'n Human Rights Jul. 23, 2009) (resolved complaint alleging failure to design and construct property in compliance with accessibility standards of Fair Housing Act).

## MILITARY SERVICE

### **United States Army Reserve, Civil Affairs Officer** (2023–Present)

*Team Chief*, A Company, 486th Civil Affairs Battalion, Tulsa, OK (2023–Present)  
Competitively selected as Military Government Specialist in Legal Systems

### **United States Army Reserve, Medical Services Officer** (2011–2023)

*Commander*, 392d Medical Logistics Company, Wichita, KS (2018–2022)  
Deployed to Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Qatar, and Saudi Arabia (2021–2022)  
*Operations Officer*, 325th Combat Support Hospital, Independence, MO (2016–2018)  
Mobilized to Honduras and Panama (2016–2017)  
*Executive Officer*, 7227th Medical Support Unit, Columbia, MO (2015–2016)  
*Chief of Logistics Plans*, 139th Medical Brigade, Independence, MO (2013–2015)  
*Platoon Leader*, 420th Minimal Care Detachment, Poplar Bluff, MO (2011–2013)

## ADMISSIONS

Supreme Court of Oklahoma (2019)  
Supreme Court of Illinois (2008) (retired since 2024)  
Supreme Court of Missouri (2007) (inactive since 2017)  
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri (2008)  
United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois (2008)