

**Erika N. Pont**  
**2000 H Street NW (Burns 412)**  
**Washington DC, 20052**

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, Washington, DC**

<i>Acting Co-Director, Fundamentals of Lawyering Program</i>	<i>7/2025 – present</i>
<i>Associate Director, Fundamentals of Lawyering Program</i>	<i>5/2023 – present</i>
<i>Associate Professor, Fundamentals of Lawyering Program</i>	<i>7/2022 – present</i>
<i>Interim Associate Director, Fundamentals of Lawyering Program</i>	<i>7/2020 – 5/2023</i>
<i>Visiting Associate Professor, Fundamentals of Lawyering Program</i>	<i>7/2019 – 7/2022</i>
<i>Professorial Lecturer in Law</i>	<i>8/2007 – 6/2019</i>

- Member of the inaugural faculty in GW's innovative first year required Fundamentals of Lawyering Class.
- Teach first year law students client-centered problem solving through legal writing, research, analysis, client counseling, oral advocacy, and other skills.
- Mentor students regarding professional development, career direction, and self-directed skills development.
- Encourage professional identity formation through curricular design and coordination with GW's award-winning Inns of Court Program.
- Assist with directing Program curriculum development and Program-wide problem drafting to achieve FL and institutional learning outcomes.
- Assist with day-to-day administrative management of the Fundamentals of Lawyering Program including scheduling and hiring new Professors.
- Provide training to FL Faculty regarding the FL curriculum, learning objectives, and Professional Identity Formation.
- Principal drafter of Program-wide, closed-packet writing assignment in Fall 2020-2023, Program-wide client interview/meeting exercise in Fall 2019-2023, and revised Program-wide Learning Outcomes for AY 2021-2022.
- Communicate regularly with Curricular Sub-Committee regarding FL Learning Objectives and Program optimization.
- Maintain excellent student evaluations for all semesters.
- Teach and design curriculum for year-long Dean's Fellow Class (AY 2021-present).
- Serve as O'Connor Inn of Court Advisor (AY 2019-present).
- Serve on Teaching Committee (AY 2020-present) (Chair Fall 2022, Fall 2023, Fall 2024, Fall 2025); ABA Site Visit Committee (AY 2023-2025), 303 Standards Implementation Committee (AY 2022-2024 (Co-Chair)), Student Connections Committee (AY 2021-2022) (Member); Student Wellness Committee (AY 2021-2024)

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(Chair 2023-2024); Placement Committee (AY 2023-2025); Bar Success Committee (2024-2025).

- Faculty advisor for GW Law Yoga Club (AY 2020-2024).
- GW Academic Leadership Academy (GWALA) Cohort 3 (2022-2023)

**SELECTED SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS, PUBLICATIONS, & PEER REVIEW**

- Speaker, “Seeing is Believing? Using Images to Teach Cultural Competence and Lawyering Skills,” with Natalia Blinkova and Robin Juni, Global Legal Skills Conference, Brno, Czech Republic, May 2025
- Speaker, “Global Humans, Global Lawyers: Preparing Students for Practice in an AI World,” Global Legal Skills Conference, Brno, Czech Republic, May 2025
- Panelist, “Professional Identity Formation and ABA Standard 303: Where Are We Now in the Upper-Level Curriculum,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Conference, July 2024
- Speaker, “GW Law’s Inns of Court Program: Intra-Institutional Collaboration to Equip Students for Success in the Global Legal Market,” with Cori Alonso-Yoder and Leah Calabro, Global Legal Skills Conference, Bari Italy, June 2024
- Speaker, “The Ah-Ha Moment: Using an In-Class Plea Negotiation Exercise to Teach Client-Centered Lawyering & Self-Reflection,” Empire State Legal Writing Conference, May 2024
- Member, National Association for Law Placement’s ABA Standard 303 Professional Identity Guidance Working Group
- Panelist, “Empowering Professional Development 2023: Professional Identity Formation,” Practicing Law Institute, November 2023
- Speaker, “Professional Identity Formation: Bridging the Gap Between Law School & Practice,” NALP Annual Education Conference, April 2023
- Speaker, “Whole Law School Approach to Standard 303,” with Dean Carmia Caesar, Professional Development Institute Annual Conference, December 2022
- Speaker, “You Want to Teach Me About Bias?” Western Regional Legal Writing Conference, October 2022
- Panelist, Professional Development & Business Development Mixer 2022, Practicing Law Institute, November 2022
- Speaker, “Incorporating ABA Revised Standard 303 into the Lawyering Skills Classroom,” Holloran Center for Ethical Leadership Workshop, University of St. Thomas School of Law (May 2022)
- Speaker, “All that Jazz: A New Approach to Content and Coordination in the First Year Lawyering Class,” with Iselin Gambert, Robin Juni, & Brooke McDonough, 2022 Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, March 2022
- Speaker, “I am a Lawyer: Opportunities & Challenges for Diverse Law

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Student's Professional Identity Formation"- with Iselin M. Gambert, LWI  
One Day Conference, University of Louisville Louis D. Brandeis Law School,  
December 2021

- Panelist, "Developing a Professional Identity in the Law," The Giles S. Rich  
Inn of Court, November 2021
- Deputy Editor, 2020 ABA Section of International Law Year in Review.
- Speaker, "PD 2.0: Partnering with Legal Writing Faculty" with Susan B. Fine,  
Christy H. DeSanctis, & Michael Levine, Professional Development Institute  
Annual Conference, December 2019
- Co-Author, "Can Transaction Parties Rely on the Common Interest Privilege,"  
*Today's General Counsel*, August 2016

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**PRACTICE EXPERIENCE**

**WARD & BERRY PLLC, Washington, DC**

*Partner*

*4/2018 – 4/2019*

**MCDERMOTT WILL & EMERY LLP, Washington, DC**

*Counsel (Litigation Department)*

*1/2018 – 4/2018*

*Associate (Litigation Department)*

*10/2007–12/2017*

*Summer Associate*

*Summer 2006*

**OTHER EXPERIENCE:**

**SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM LLP, Washington, DC**

*Senior Assistant Supervisor, Legal Assistant Services Department*

*2005 – 2006*

*Assistant Supervisor, Legal Assistant Services Department*

*2003 – 2005*

*Staffing Coordinator, Legal Assistant Services Department*

*2002 – 2003*

*Litigation Legal Assistant*

*1999 – 2002*

**EDUCATION**

**THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, Washington, DC**

*Juris Doctor*

**SMITH COLLEGE, Northampton, MA**

*Bachelor of Arts with High Honors in Government*

*First Group Scholar (Top 10% of class) as of May 1999*

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & AFFILIATIONS**

- Licensed to practice in Massachusetts (inactive) and the District of Columbia
- Member, American Bar Association Litigation Section
- Leadership Council, Sitar Arts Center, November 2018 – August 2024
- Board of Directors, U.S. Mayor Enterprises, March 2020 – present