

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

The George Washington University Law School, Washington, D.C.

Associate Professor of Fundamentals of Lawyering, 2026 – present

- Teach two sections of year-long, six-credit course that introduces foundational legal research, writing, and analytical skills to 1L students.
- Advisor to Sandra Day O'Connor Inn of Court, which supplements 1L doctrinal classes with professional development curriculum including skills growth, wellness, and career planning.

American University Washington College of Law, Washington, D.C.

Assistant Professor of Legal Rhetoric; Adjunct Professor; and
Adjunct Associate Professor, 2022 – 2026

- Legal Research & Writing: Taught multiple sections of year-long course that introduces legal research, writing, and oral argument skills to 1L students. Led design and implementation of “Mission Impossible” capstone assignment for program-wide use in 2025.
- Regulation of Energy: Taught upper-level seminar on foundations of energy law, including essential statutes, current issues, and constitutional bases for federal and state jurisdiction.
- Supervised Externship Seminar: Taught upper-level seminar, emphasizing professional development and self-reflection, to complement students’ legal work outside law school.
- Washington College of Law Adjunct Teaching Award, 2023-24 (for excellent teaching, thoughtful pedagogy, committed mentorship, and exceptional creativity and innovation).
- Drafted original problem for 2025 Burton D. Wechsler First Amendment Competition, a moot court tournament that drew teams from 33 law schools around the country.

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C.

Appellate attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Solicitor’s Office (2014 – 2022)

Defended Commission decisions before federal courts of appeals, in cases arising from all areas of agency jurisdiction. Wrote over 25 merits briefs, independently or collaboratively; argued 20 cases in four judicial circuits.

Managing attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Energy Markets section (2006 – 2014)

Supervised personnel and projects. Assigned cases, balanced workload, fostered professional development, delivered performance reviews. Provided legal review and editorial revision of draft Commission orders, often concerning complex regional electric rates and transmission grid development matters.

Attorney-advisor, Office of the General Counsel, Energy Markets section (2001 – 2006).

Wickwire Gavin P.C., Vienna, Virginia. Associate attorney, 1999 – 2001.

PUBLICATIONS

- Elizabeth A. Keith & Elizabeth E. Rylander, *What We Learned From Taking a New Writing Class: Perspectives on Writing and Empathy for 1L Students*, 39 THE SECOND DRAFT ____ (forthcoming 2026).
- Elizabeth E. Rylander, Book Review, 29 LEGAL WRITING 323 (2025) (reviewing Amanda Dealy Haverstick, *Dear 1L: Notes to Nurture a New Legal Writer* (2024)).
- Brian P. Waagner & Elizabeth D. Evans, *Agency Discretion in Bid Timeliness Protests: The Case for Consistency*, 29 PUB. CONTRACT L.J. 713 (2000).
- Elizabeth D. Evans, Symposium Introduction, *Strengthening Title VII: 1997-1998 Sexual Harassment Jurisprudence*, 7 WM. & MARY BILL RTS. J. 671 (1999).

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Legal Writing Institute, lwionline.org

Member, New Member Outreach Committee (2024 – present).

EDUCATION

William & Mary School of Law, Williamsburg, Virginia

WILLIAM & MARY BILL OF RIGHTS JOURNAL (Symposium Editor)

P'Anson-Hoffman American Inn of Court

J.D., 1999

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia

THE CAVALIER DAILY (Production Editor)

B.A., Economics, 1996