# SARAH J. WILLIAMS

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# **OBJECTIVE**

To teach, research and serve in a manner that furthers the protection of investors and enriches communities.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

#### Assistant Professor of Law

Penn State Dickinson Law | Carlisle, PA

July 2019 - Present

Tenure-track assistant professor of law at a law school of approximately 300 students that promotes anti-racism in its course instruction.

## Deputy Director | Associate Director

Public Company Accounting Oversight Board | Washington, DC

May 2003 – May 2018

Provided legal, administrative, and managerial services in quasi-governmental agency formed to oversee auditors of publicly traded companies after revelations of widespread financial fraud and the demise of accounting firm Arthur Andersen.

#### Associate General Counsel | Assistant General Counsel

National Association of Securities Dealers (now FINRA) | Washington, DC

May 2000 - May 2003

Developed rule changes and industry guidance at regulatory agency responsible for overseeing securities professionals in the brokerage industry.

#### Commissioner's Counsel | Branch Chief | Staff Attorney

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission | Washington, DC

March 1993 - May 2000

Provided legal advice and recommendations to SEC Commissioner Isaac C. Hunt, Jr. Investigated and supervised investigations of financial fraud, insider trading, and market manipulation in the agency's Enforcement Division.

## Associate

Arnold & Porter, LLP | Washington, DC

September 1989 – March 1993

Performed legal research and drafted legal advice on matters relating to corporate, real estate, banking, and criminal law.

#### **EDUCATION**

#### Juris Doctorate

New York University School of Law | New York, NY

May 1989

#### **Bachelor of Arts Degree**

Dartmouth College | Hanover, NH

March 1986

## ARTICLES, PUBLICATIONS AND WORKS-IN-PROGRESS

The Alchemy of Effective Auditor Regulation, 25 LEWIS & CLARK L. REV. 1089 (2022)

Are We Seeing Double? Regulatory Overlap Between the SEC and the PCAOB, The Columbia Law School Blue Sky Blog (2022) (invited)

Regulatory Personhood: The Elixir for Redundancy Between the SEC and the PCAOB, forthcoming 97 St. John's L. Rev. (2023)

Regulating Congressional Insider Trading: The Rotten Egg Approach, work-in-progress

Disclosure Strategy at the PCAOB: Right Solution for the Wrong Agency, work-in-progress.

## AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS

"Regulating Congressional Insider Trading – The Rotten Egg Approach," Presented at Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference (July 2023)

"Regulating Congressional Insider Trading – The Rotten Egg Approach," Presented at National Business Law Scholars Conference, University of Tennessee College of Law (July 2023)

"Investor Education at the PCAOB," Invited panelist for discussion at Wharton Business School Workshop with PCAOB's new Investor Advocate (June 2023)

"Disclosure Strategy at the PCAOB: Right Solution for the Wrong Agency," Presented at Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Workshop (June 2023)

"Juneteenth Celebration and Reflection," Invited Presenter at event hosted by Penn State Health (June 2023)

"Regulatory Personhood," Presented at National Business Law Scholars Conference, University of Oklahoma College of law (June 2022)

Phillip M. Scott Teaching Excellence Award (received May 2022)

"Regulatory Personhood," Presented at Wharton Financial Regulation Conference (April 2022)

"Roundtable on Capitalism and the Rule of Law," Discussant at George Mason Law & Economics Center Event (March 2022)

#### MEDIA CONTRIBUTIONS

Amanda Iacone, KPMG's Big Four Dominance on Bank Audits Shaken by Failures, Bloomberg Law June 2023 (quoted)

Amanda Iacone, SEC Official Behind 1,000 Restatements Has Unusual Title: Acting, Bloomberg Tax May 2022 (quoted)

Melissa Heelan, Law School Ethics Becomes 'Real,' Tackles Covid, Social Justice, Bloomberg Law January 2022 (quoted)

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# TEACHING AND SERVICE TO AT DICKINSON LAW

SEMESTER	COURSE (CREDIT UNITS) (STUDENT ENROLLMENT)	SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS
Fall 2024	Secured Transactions (3) (47)	TBD
	Federal Securities Regulation (3) (12)	
Spring 2023	Property Law (4) (51)	Appointments Committee
	Accounting for Lawyers (2) (11)	1L Faculty Working Group
	Race & Equal Protection Under the Law (.5) (98)	
Fall 2022	Secured Transactions (3) (8)	Appointments Committee
	Federal Securities Regulation (3) (6)	1L Faculty Working Group
Spring 2022	Property Law (4) (47)	Appointments Committee
	Accounting for Lawyers (2) (17)	Faculty Development Committee
		Orientation Committee
		1L Faculty Working Group
Fall 2021	Professional Responsibility (3) (44)	Appointments Committee
	Federal Securities Regulation (3) (14)	Faculty Development Committee
		Orientation Committee
		1L Faculty Working Group
Spring 2021	Property Law (4) (42)	Curriculum & Sabbatical Committee
	Accounting for Lawyers (2) (11)	Faculty Development Committee (Chair)
		Honor Code Committee
		1L Faculty Working Group
Fall 2020	Professional Responsibility (3) (54)	Curriculum & Sabbatical Committee
	Federal Securities Regulation (3) (13)	Faculty Development Committee (Chair)
		Honor Code Committee
		1L Faculty Working Group
Spring 2020	Property Law (4) (37)	Faculty Development Committee
	Accounting for Lawyers (3) (12)	Honor Code Committee
		1L Faculty Working Group
Fall 2019	Professional Responsibility (3) (74)	Faculty Development Committee
		Honor Code Committee
		1L Faculty Working Group

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# PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITIES

#### **Board Member**

Long Term Stock Exchange | New York, NY

2022 - 2023

# Harrisburg Alumnae Chapter Member

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated

2020 - Present

# Board Member | Volunteer Arbitrator

Attorney/Client Arbitration Board of the DC Bar

2019 - Present

# **BAR MEMBERSHIPS**

New York, District of Columbia, Connecticut (inactive)