

MARYAM AHRANJANI

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- 1/08-current **DC/MD REGIONAL DIRECTOR, KAPLAN, INC.**
Manage PMBR (bar review division of Kaplan) operations in DC/MD; market PMBR Multistate Bar Examination courses in nine D.C. and Maryland law schools; recruit, train, and manage 100 employees; teach and administer national seminars; prepare and present informational lectures to law students about the grading and substance of the bar exam; and serve as liaison between administrators at D.C. area law schools and Kaplan headquarters.
- 1/07-1/08 **PROGRAM ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT, WCL**
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR AND S.J.D. PROGRAM COORDINATOR
Cultivated alumni relations with LL.M. and S.J.D. alumni; launched and managed LL.M. career development processes, including listserv, resume bank, and programs/events; provided academic counseling to LL.M. and S.J.D. students; managed annual budget of LL.M. and S.J.D. Programs; assisted in overseeing all aspects of the Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project, including national and international expansion; organized panels and conferences; produced Program faculty and Dean's reports; and coordinated eight-member permanent team and four part-time research assistants.
- 11/03-1/07 **ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR**
Coordinated all recruitment and outreach efforts for LL.M. Program on Law and Government, including web site, brochures, career fairs and other travel, print advertisements, radio and TV advertisements; advised LL.M. students regarding curriculum and career planning; assisted in overseeing all aspects of the Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project; organized panels and conferences; manage annual budget; coordinated staff and interns; and produced Program faculty and Dean's reports.
- 8/03-current **ADJUNCT PROFESSOR, WCL**
Teach advanced constitutional law seminar entitled, "Education and the Constitution" to 60 upper-level law students each semester; teach Externship Seminar entitled, "Reflections on Government and Public Interest Lawyering."
- 6/01-11/03 **ACADEMIC COORDINATOR, MARSHALL-BRENNAN CONSTITUTIONAL LITERACY PROJECT**
Created, updated and maintained curriculum; met regularly with Fellows to review lesson plans and provide pedagogical assistance; conducted site visits to D.C. Public Schools; performed crisis intervention; assisted in law school seminar; cultivated relationships with teachers using "We the Students" curriculum around the country; oversaw production of moot court problem; helped coordinate events such as William H. Karchmer Moot Court Competition, National High School Moot Court Competition, William H. Karchmer Awards Ceremony & Luncheon.
- 1/00-5/01 **LAW CLERK, BRUSTEIN & MANASEVIT**
Wrote client memoranda; translated Spanish legal documents; conducted research on state statutes pertaining to special education; created comparative laws chart for firm manual on special education; and assisted client in forming tax-exempt organization.
- 8/99-5/00 **LAW CLERK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ATTORNEYS**
Performed legal research and drafted memos on higher education issues for member attorneys; worked with member attorneys to draft school policies; edited association publications.
- 5/99-8/99 **LAW CLERK, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS**
Drafted appellate decision for administrative judge dealing with student funding violations; wrote notices of disbarment; researched various issues pertaining to federal education law.

EDUCATION

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY WASHINGTON COLLEGE OF LAW (WCL) **Washington, DC** **J.D., 2001**
Marshall-Brennan Fellow (taught Constitutional Law to public high school students at Roosevelt High School);
Line Editor, American University Journal of Gender, Social Policy & the Law

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY **Evanston, IL** **B.S.Ed., 1998**

- Graduated *magna cum laude* with major in Social Policy, minor in Spanish Language and certificate from Undergraduate Leadership Program

AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS AND EDITORIAL CREDITS

- 2008 Alumni of the Year Award, Latino/a Law Students Association, WCL
- *Finding Your Balance in Life: Anticipating and Slaying Stress*, CLEO Edge, Winter/Spring 2007
- Teaching Module: *The First Amendment and Religion in Schools* prepared for National Constitution Day and available at www.band-of-rights.org (2006)
- 2006 American University Staff Performance Award
- *"Youth Justice in America" Teaching Manual* (2006)
- Teaching Module: *The First Amendment and Protection of Students' Rights* prepared for National Constitution Day and available at www.band-of-rights.org (2005)
- Maryam Ahranjani, Andrew Ferguson & Jamie Raskin, *Youth Justice in America* (2005)
- "Immigration Trends in the D.C. Area and What They Mean for Public Education" lesson plan for *The Washington Post* (July 9, 2004)
- *"We the Students" Teaching Manual* (updated each year, 2001-2005)
- *"We the Students" Student Workbook* and *"We the Students" Student Workbook Key* (updated, 2003-2005)
- *Marbury v. Madison* lesson plans for the Educational Outreach Office of the U.S. Federal Courts (available at www.uscourts.gov, click on "Educational Outreach") (February 2003)
- "Unearthing the Truth: The Supreme Court's Fact-Finding Role" for *The Washington Post* (10/29/02)
- *Mary Daly v. Boston College: The Impermissibility of Single-Sex Classes in Private Universities*, 9 Am. U.J.G. Soc. Pol'y & L. 179 (2001)
- Linda Bray Chanow, *Results of Lawyers, Work & Family: A Study of Alternative Schedule Programs at Law Firms in the District of Columbia*, Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia (2000) (edited study for publication)
- Joan Williams, *Unbending Gender: Why Family and Work Conflict and What To Do About It* (2001) (edited book for second printing)

LICENSURES

- Barred in the District of Columbia
- Licensed K-12 substitute teacher in the District of Columbia

PROFESSIONAL SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Kaplan/PMBR bar review lecturer in Torts, Criminal Law, and Constitutional Law (2006-current)
- Council on Legal Education Opportunity (2006-current)
- "Presidential Predictions" sponsored by WCL Democrats (April 2007)
- Association of American Law Schools Annual Conference (January 2006)
- DC Council Hearing on proposed MOU between DCPS and MPD (June 2005)
- Law School Admissions Council Annual Conference (June 2005)
- "We the Students" Constitutional Law Camp (July 2004)
- LeadAmerica (June and July 2004, June and July 2005)
- Journalism Education Association (November 2003)

- Congressional Student Leadership Conference (March 2003, July 2003, August 2003)
- National Association for Multicultural Education Annual Conference (November 2002)
- Higher Achievement Program (August 2002 and July 2003)
- National Youth Leadership Forum (2002-present)
- Education Law Association Annual Conference (March 2001)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Executive Board, Latina/o Alumni Association of WCL
- Co-founder, National Youth Justice Alliance
- Chair, Post-Graduate Legal Education Section of the Association of American Law Schools (2007)

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Legal advisor, Senior High Alliance for Parents, Principals, and Educators (S.H.A.P.P.E.)
- Volunteer teacher, D.C. Youth Services Center, a detention facility for youth awaiting adjudication of criminal charges
- 3D Youth Court Volunteer
- Taught *Youth Justice* or *We the Students* curriculum once or twice a week at Roosevelt High School (2001-2002), Maya Angelou Public Charter High School (2002-2003), School Without Walls (2003-2005), Wilson High School (2004-2005)