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FORMAL EDUCATION

1984	University of Florida, Gainesville, FL	Ph. D
1979	Indiana University, Bloomington, IN	J.D.
1976	DePauw University, Greencastle, IN	B.A.

ADMITTED TO BAR

U.S. Supreme Court	1998
Eleven of the Thirteen U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals	1998
Wisconsin	1988
Florida	1982
Indiana	1979

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2015 - present **Faculty.** University of Wisconsin- Madison

2005 - 2015 **Dean.** School of Education, University of Wisconsin - Madison. The School is composed of nine departments and enrolls nearly 3,700 undergraduate and graduate students each year. The School of Education is widely regarded as among the nation's best, with outstanding faculty, staff and students. In the 2013 *U.S. News & World Report* rankings,

three are ranked #1: Curriculum & Instruction, Educational Psychology, and Rehabilitation Psychology; two departments are ranked #2: Counseling Psychology and Educational Leadership; and Educational Policy Studies is ranked #3. The *Wisconsin Center for Educational Research*, housed within the School of Education, is the oldest and largest academic educational research center in the nation.

- 1/2009 - 7/2009 **Interim Provost.** University of Wisconsin-Madison. The Provost is the chief operating officer of the university and deputy of the chancellor in the overall academic leadership and administrative management of the university. While Interim Provost. Campus finalized its re-accreditation with the Higher Learning Commission, developed and adopted the current Strategic Framework, developed and adopted the Madison Initiative for Undergraduates, and implemented a campus-wide state budget cut.
- 1998 - 2005 **Associate Executive Director and General Counsel.** National School Boards Association. Member of senior management team. Responsible for NSBA's legal advocacy program on behalf of the nation's public school boards including amicus curiae briefs and legal strategies in cases before the U.S. Supreme Court and lower courts. Responsible for NSBA's 3,000 member Council of School Attorneys. Responsible for corporate and association legal services. Counsel to the NSBA Board of Directors.
- 1995 - 1998 **Dean.** School of Education & Allied Professions. Miami University. Responsible for the operations of this college (now the College of Education, Health and Society) with over 100 faculty and 2,300 undergraduate and graduate students. The college is a comprehensive program including teacher education, educational leadership, educational psychology, family studies, social work, physical education, health, and sports studies.
- 1988 - 1998 **Attorney.** Friedman Law Firm. Represented public school districts for general purposes. Statewide special education litigation and appeals. National practice in school finance appellate litigation representing plaintiff school district coalitions in four different state Supreme Courts.
- 1986 - 1995 **Faculty.** University of Wisconsin- Madison
- 1994- 1995 **Associate Dean.** School of Education
- 1993 - 1994 **Chair.** Department of Educational Administration (now Educational Leadership & Policy Analysis).

- 1990 - 1995 **Professor.** Department of Educational Administration
- Recipient of 1994 Emil H. Steiger Award for Excellence in Teaching
- 1990 - 1993 **Co-Director.** Wisconsin Center for Education Policy.
- 1986 - 1989 **Assistant Professor.** Department of Educational Administration.
- 1988 - 1995 **Attorney.** Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.
- 1993-1995 **State Hearing Officer.** Wisconsin Teacher Certification and Licensure. Primary responsibilities included holding hearings and writing decisions on teacher license revocation.
 - 1988-1995 **State Reviewing Officer.** Wisconsin Special Education Office. Primary responsibilities included hearing appeals and writing decisions on special education cases.
- 1990 - 1991 **Interim General Counsel.** Served as general counsel for the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and later served as special counsel to Herber Grover, State Superintendent, for litigation of the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program (private school voucher) in trial in the Wisconsin Supreme Court.
- 1982 - 1986 **Faculty.** University of North Dakota.
- 1986 **Assistant Dean.** Center for Teaching and Learning. Responsible for the graduate programs.
- 1982 - 1986 **Assistant Professor.** Educational Administration.
- 1981 - 1982 **Research Associate.** Institute for Educational Finance.
Instructor. School of Law. Teaching legal research and writing.
University of Florida
- 1979 - 1981 **Judicial Clerk.** Fourth District, Indiana Court of Appeals.
Primarily responsibilities included the drafting of the case opinions for Judge Miller.

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education

- President (2014 - 15) Board of Directors & Executive Committee (2008 - 20015)

Blue Ribbon Commission on School Funding

Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (2000)

- Member of the Inaugural Commission on Standards

Harvard Institute for Educational Management, Harvard Graduate School of Education

- Participant 2013

Horace Mann League

- President 2011

International Alliance for Leading Education Institutes (2006 - 2015)

- Inaugural member of an international cooperative for Schools of Education: University of Toronto; University of Melbourne; University of São Paulo; Beijing Normal University; National Institute of Education, Singapore; University of Cape Town; Seoul National University; University of London; University of Wisconsin

School Finance Network (2009 - 2014)

- Facilitator. Collaborative group of twelve Wisconsin organizations, including WEAC, WASB, AWSA dedicated to improving the state's financial commitment to public education

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

- Educator Effectiveness Steering Committee (2012 - 2014)

Wisconsin Technology Initiative (2010 - 2014) <http://www.wisconsintechologyinitiative.org>

- Advisory Group
- Grant Selection Team

AMICUS BRIEFS IN U.S. SUPREME COURT CASES

Garcetti v. Ceballos, 547 U.S. 410 (2006)

Schaffer v. Weast, 546 U.S. 49 (2005)

Jackson v. Birmingham Board of Education, 544 U.S. 167 (2005)

American Civil Liberties Union of Kentucky v. McCreary County, KY, 545 U.S. 844 (2005)

Elk Grove Unified School District v. Newdow, 542 U.S. 1 (2004) (also on oral argument team)

Locke v. Davey, 540 U.S. 712 (2004)

Gratz v. Bollinger, 539 U.S. 244 (2003) (coordinator for K-12 amicus brief)

Grutter v. Bollinger, 539 U.S. 306 (2003) (coordinator for K-12 amicus parties)

United States v. American Library Association, 539 U.S. 194 (2003)

Gonzaga University v. Doe, 536 U.S. 273 (2002)

Board of Education of Independent School District No. 92 of Pottawatomie County v. Earls, 536 U.S. 822 (2002) (also on oral argument team)

Zelman v. Simmons-Harris, 536 U.S. 639 (2002) (also on oral argument team)

Owasso Independent School Dist. No. I-011 v. Falvo, 534 U.S. 426 (2002) (also on oral argument team)

Good News Club v. Milford Central School, 533 U.S. 98 (2001) (also on oral argument team)

Mitchell v. Helms, 530 U.S. 1296 (2000) (also on oral argument team)

Davis v. Monroe County Bd. of Educ., 526 U.S. 629 (1999) (also on oral argument team)

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

Underwood, J., & Webb, L. (2006). School Law for Teachers. Columbus, OH: Prentice Hall.

Underwood, J. (2005, 2003). No Child Left Behind Resource Documents. Alexandria, VA: National School Boards Association.

Underwood, J. K., D.J, W.C. (1996) Individuals with Disabilities Education Act: A Legal Primer.

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Underwood, J.K. (1989) In Joan M. Lakebrink (Ed.), Legal protections for at risk children (pp. 380). Springfield, IL: Charles C. Thomas, Publisher.

CURRENT ARTICLES

Underwood, Julie. "Under the Law: The Legal Balancing Act over Public School Curriculum." *Phi Delta Kappan*, vol. 100, no. 6, 2019, pp. 74–75.

Underwood, Julie. "Under the Law: Segregation and Secession." *Phi Delta Kappan*, vol. 100, no. 5, 2019, pp. 74–75.

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Underwood, Julie. "Under the Law: Defining the Least Restrictive Environment." *Phi Delta Kappan*, vol. 100, no. 3, 2018, pp. 66–67.

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Underwood, Julie. "Under the Law: What Janus Means for Teachers Unions." *Phi Delta Kappan*, vol. 99, no. 8, 2018, pp. 76–77.

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