

# DAWN BARKER ANDERSON

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## ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

Iowa Supreme Court 1995

## EDUCATION

### Legal

University of Iowa College of Law

- **J.D. with high distinction, May 1995**
- Moot Court, Student Judge
- *Journal of Corporation Law*, Associate Editor
- Author: Commercial Landlords' Duty Upon Tenants' Abandonment – To Mitigate? *Journal of Corporation Law*, Volume 20, Number 4 (1995)
- American Jurisprudence Award, Torts; American Jurisprudence Award, Civil Procedure
- Appellate Advocacy II Competition, Best Brief (1994)
- Iowa State Bar Association Graduating Senior Award (1995)

### Other Graduate Work

University of Iowa College of Education

- Enrolled in Ph.D. program in Higher Education and Student Affairs with an emphasis in Learning and Curriculum (started coursework August 2012)

### Undergraduate

University of Northern Iowa

- **B.A. with highest honors, May 1992**
- MAJOR: Finance MINOR: Journalism

## EXPERIENCE

**Associate Professor, Legal Analysis, Writing and Research, University of Iowa College of Law**  
(August 2012 – present)

Teaching 30-40 first year students legal analysis, writing and research; developing curriculum for the course; holding individual conferences with students on their writing; reviewing, commenting on and grading two legal memoranda and two legal briefs, in drafts and final forms; conducting oral arguments; writing and researching legal writing problems.

Taught course for summer student externs, summers 2012, 2013.

**Assistant Professor, Legal Analysis, Writing and Research, University of Iowa College of Law**  
(August 2009-July 2012)

**Adjunct Lecturer, Legal Analysis, Writing and Research, University of Iowa College of Law**  
(August 2006 – May 2009)

Teaching 20-22 first year students legal analysis, writing and research; holding individual conferences with students on their writing; reviewing, commenting on and grading two legal memoranda and two legal briefs, in draft and final forms; conducting oral arguments; writing and researching legal writing problems.

**Associate Director, Writing Resource Center, University of Iowa College of Law**

(August 2006 – May 2009)

Reviewing and editing a range of documents written by first, second, and third year law students, including memoranda of law, judicial opinions, briefs, journal notes, writing samples, seminar papers, and independent writing projects; holding conferences with students on their writing, providing guidance to writers for the long term as well as to meet immediate needs.

**Staff Attorney, ACT, Inc., Iowa City, Iowa**

(May 2002 – August 2006)

Drafting and negotiating various types of contracts, including license agreements, state government contracts, and other general business agreements. Writing and implementing corporate policies and procedures, including trademark procedures. Implementing and advising a trademark selection committee. Drafting and providing training on a style guide for proper use of ACT's intellectual property. Researching and writing legal memoranda to senior management on topics affecting ACT. Developing form agreements. Advising senior management on international distribution and intellectual property matters. Managing litigation, including reviewing pleadings and briefs, and working with outside counsel. Staying abreast of laws and regulations affecting ACT's business, and advising senior management on such matters.

**Corporate Counsel, ACT, Inc., Iowa City, Iowa**

(January 2000-May 2002)

Drafting and negotiating various types of contracts, including license agreements, state government contracts, and contracts with industry and individuals. Advising ACT on all aspects of intellectual property law. Researching and writing legal memoranda. Supervising paralegal.

**Associate Attorney, Meardon, Sueppel & Downer P.L.C., Iowa City, Iowa**

(June 1995 – January 2000)

Advising small business clients in all aspects of business; drafting articles of organization, by-laws, operating agreements, shareholder agreements, and miscellaneous contracts. Drafting asset purchase agreements. Handling due diligence in large mergers. Working with clients developing new franchises; drafting corresponding franchise agreements and uniform franchise offering circulars. Researching and advising clients on licensing and distribution matters. Advising clients on trademark issues; registering trademarks with the State of Iowa and with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Researching and drafting memoranda to attorneys and clients on a variety of legal issues. Extensive drafting of pleadings, including motions for summary judgment, appellate and district court briefs, and tax protests.

**Adjunct Instructor, University of Iowa College of Business,**

**John Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center**

(Fall Semesters 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001)

Teaching with another instructor the courses Entrepreneurship through Franchising and Seminar on Franchising.

**Summer Associate, Godfrey & Kahn, S.C., Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

(May 1994 - August 1994)

**Law Clerk, Meardon, Sueppel, Downer & Hayes P.L.C., Iowa City, Iowa**

(July 1993 - April 1995)

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

Legal Writing Institute  
Iowa State Bar Association

## **PROFESSIONAL AWARDS**

Nominated for Collegiate Teaching Award, 2010

## **COMMUNITY & UNIVERSITY ACTIVITIES**

**United Action for Youth**, Board of Directors (April 2013-present)

**University of Iowa**, Mary Jo Small Fellowship Awards Committee (July 2012 – present)

**Longfellow Elementary PTA**, Committee Chair (2012-2013), Academic Support Coordinator and Past-President (2011-2012), President (2010-2011), Treasurer (2008-2010)

**Neighborhood Centers of Johnson County**, Board of Directors

(1996-November 2011; President 1999, Vice President 1998, Secretary/Treasurer 1997)

**Open Arms Child Care Center**, Board of Directors (President 2005, 2006)

**Zion Lutheran Church**, Human Resources Committee for Pastoral Staff (2012-present); Call Committee for an associate pastor (May 2011-April 2012); Sunday School Teacher (2006-2013); Vacation Bible School co-coordinator and teacher (June 2011-June 2013)

## **TEXTBOOK REVIEW**

Reviewed *Readings in Persuasion: Briefs that Changed the World* by Linda Edwards for Aspen Publishing, September 2011