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Professor
Department of Criminal Justice
Midwestern State University

Education and Professional Certifications

J.D., Texas Tech University, 2007

M.B.A., General Business, Texas Tech University, 2007

Attorney at Law, Licensed to Practice in the State of Texas, 2007

Dispute Mediator, Credentialed in accordance with the Texas Alternative Dispute Resolution Act.

B.A., English, Trinity University, 2004

Professional Experience

Midwestern State University, Department of Criminal Justice

Professor, 2019-present

Associate Professor, 2013-2019

Assistant Professor, 2007-2013

Graduate Coordinator, Master of Arts in Criminal Justice, 2016-present

Graduate Faculty Member, 2009-present

Teaching Responsibilities

Writing for the Criminal Justice Professional, CRJU 2943

Law and Society, CRJU 3313

Civil Liability for Criminal Justice Professionals, CRJU 4203

Criminal Law, CRJU 4213

Criminal Procedure, CRJU 4223

Constitutional Law, CRJU 4233

Comparative Criminal Justice Systems (British Studies), CRJU 4253

Independent Studies, CRJU 4902 and 4903

Issues in Criminal Justice, CRJU 4913

Seminar: Family Law, CRJU 4923

Honors Seminar: Crime & Society, CRJU 4923

Courts as Organizations, CRJU 5333

Legal Aspects of the Criminal Justice System, CRJU 5393

Legal Research, CRJU 5413

Criminal Justice Management, CRJU 6463

Research and Scholarly Activity

Publications

Books

Mays, G. Larry & Fidelie, Laura Woods (2016). *American Courts and the Judicial Process, 2nd ed.* Oxford University Press.

Mays, G. Larry; Ball, Jeremy & Fidelie, Laura Woods (2014). *Criminal Law: Core Concepts.* Wolters Kluwer Law & Business.

“Fraud”, “Property Crime”, and “Financial Crime” entries in *The Encyclopedia of Theoretical Criminology* (2014). Wiley-Blackwell.

Legal Practice in Great Britain. In *Courts and the American Judicial Process* by G. Larry Mays (2012). Oxford University Press.

Albrecht, James F. & Das, Dilip K. *Effective Crime Reduction Strategies: International Perspectives* (2011). CRC Press. Book contributor.

Refereed Journals

Fidelie, Laura Woods. (July 2018). “Internet Grooming: An Analysis of the Issue and a Search for Solutions.” *Critical Issues in Justice and Politics*, 11(1), 136-152.

Fidelie, Laura Woods (December 2015). “Cyberbullying: Legislative and Law Enforcement Recommendations.” *Critical Issues in Justice and Politics*, 8(2), 1-25.

Killion, Jeffrey B.; Johnston, James N.; Gresham, Jennifer; Gibson, Martha; Veale, Beth; Behrens, Phyllis I.; Velasquez, Benito; Genung, Vanessa; Jansen, Lauren; Fidelie, Laura Woods & Close, Daria M. (November/December, 2014). “Smart Device Use and Burnout Among Health Science Educators.” *Radiologic Technology*.

Fidelie, Laura Woods (April, 2013). “Grading as a Means of Improving Student Writing.” *ACG News*.

Johnston, James; Fidelie, Laura Woods; Killion, Jeffrey; Robinson, Kim; Behrens, Phyllis (October, 2012). “An Instrument to Assess Effective Communication Skills in Healthcare Students.” *Internet Journal of Allied Health Sciences and Practice* 10(4).

Fidelie, Laura Woods & Moran, Nathan R. (2012). "Cyberstalking: An Analysis of Legislation and Law Enforcement Responses." *Crime, Punishment, and the Law: An International Journal*, 3(1-2), 1-15.

Fidelie, Laura Woods (May, 2011). "Stalking Regulation: Issues and Recommendations." *Critical Issues in Justice and Politics*, 4(1), 49-64.

Fidelie, Laura Woods (October, 2010). "The Effects of Cell Dog Programs on Prison Inmate Populations." *Contemporary Issues in Criminology and the Social Sciences*, 4(4).

Roberts, Roe A.; Fidelie, Laura Woods & Plubell, Philip (January, 2010). "The Ethics of Capital Punishment in the Americas." *Caribbean Journal of Criminology and Public Safety*, 15 (1&2), 35-74.

Fidelie, Laura Woods (2009). "Internet Gambling: Innocent Activity or Cybercrime?" *International Journal of Cyber Criminology*, 3 (1), 476-491.

Works in Progress

Campus Carry: Best Practices and Implementation Recommendations. Paper in Progress.

Hanser, Robert D., Moran, Nathan R., Kuanliang, Attapol, & Fidelie, Laura Woods. "Comparative Criminal Justice Systems." Textbook in progress and under contract with Sage Publications.

Fidelie, Laura W. & Mroczkowski, Alison. *The Long and Short-Term Effects of Prison Dog Programs.* Study in progress.

Otto, John and Fidelie, Laura W. *The Effects of Cell Dog Programs on Female Offenders.* Study in progress.

Creative Works

Works Completed

Research contribution for the filming of *The Dogs of Lexington*. Accepted by the 2014 Sundance Film Festival.

Creation of ancillary materials for *Courts and the American Judicial Process* by G. Larry Mays, 2012. Oxford University Press.

Presentations

“Preparing for Mediation: Best Practices.” Presented at the 2022 State Bar of Texas Pro Bono Seminar, March , 2022.

“The Supreme Court and Society.” Presented at the MSU Lifelong Learning Center, November, 2019.

“The Campus Carry: One Year Later.” Presented at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Western Social Science Association in San Francisco, CA.

“The Impact of Brexit on Worldwide Criminal Justice.” Presented at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Western Social Science Association in San Francisco, CA.

“Crime and Media.” Presented as MSU Honors Program RED Talk in October, 2016.

“The University Response to Campus Carry Legislation.” Presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences in Denver, CO.

“Exploring the Effects of Prison Dog Programs.” Presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences in Denver, CO.

“Cyberbullying: Whose Problem Is It Anyway?” Presented at the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Western Social Science Association in Portland, OR.

“The Midwestern State University Roundup Report.” Presented at the 2014 Meeting of the Texas Council of Faculty Senates.

“Cyberbullying: An Examination of Legislation and Societal Concerns.” Presented at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences in Philadelphia, PA.

“Comparative Criminal Justice Systems: U.S. and U.K.” Presented at the 2013 Dinner and Discussion series for the MSU Democrats.

“The Societal and Individual Implications of Cyberstalking.” Presented at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association in San Diego, California.

“Legal Issues of Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence.” Presented at the 2011 Speak Up, Speak Out Conference at Midwestern State University.

“An Instrument to Assess Effective Communication Skills in Healthcare Students.” Presented April 8, 2011 at the Midwestern State University Scholarship Colloquium.

“Cyberstalking: Present Issues and Future Solutions.” Presented at the 2011 Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences in Toronto, Ontario.

“Legal Issues of Death and Dying.” Presented February 22, 2011 to Death: The Inevitable (a Midwestern State University Honors Seminar).

“The Real Classroom.” Presented at the 2010 Midwestern State University Spirit Days.

“Legal Issues in Athletic Training.” Presented at the 2010 Midwestern State University Athletic Training Distinguished Lecture Series.

“Legal Issues of Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence.” Presented at the 2010 Speak Up, Speak Out Conference at Midwestern State University.

Keynote address, delivered at the 2010 Midwestern State University Honors Symposium on March 6, 2010.

“The Effects of Cell Dog Programs on Prison Inmate Populations.” Presented at the 2010 Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences in San Diego, California.

“Contemporary Issues in Corrections.” Presented November 24, 2009 to the Wichita Falls Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons.

“Capital Punishment in the United States: An Ethical Examination.” Presented at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Western Social Science Association, Denver, Colorado.

“Capital Punishment: An Examination of Economic and Policy Questions.” Presented at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Southwest Economics Association, Las Vegas, Nevada.

“Crime in a Multi-Jurisdictional Model with Private and Public Prevention.” Paper Discussant at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Southwest Economics Association, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Applied Research

Campus Carry: Best Practices and Implementation Recommendations.
Continuous application through the implementation of the MSU Campus Carry Task Force findings and recommendations, 2015-present.

Johnston, James; Behrens, Phyllis; Curran, Barbara; Fashimpar, Gary; Fidelie, Laura Woods; Gresham, Jennifer; Killion, Jeffrey; Robinson, Kim. Application of “An Instrument to Assess Effective Communication Skills in Healthcare Students” within the Midwestern State University College of Health Sciences and Human Services, 2010-present.

Professional Involvements

Journal of Crime, Law & Social Issues (a peer-reviewed journal), Editorial Review Board, 2018-present

Journal of Intercultural Disciplines (a peer-reviewed journal), Editorial Review Board, 2015-present

Crime, Punishment & the Law (a peer-reviewed journal), Editorial Review Board, 2012-present

Annual Editions, Criminal Justice, McGraw Hill, Academic Advisory Board Member, 2010-2016 Editions

Contemporary Issues in Criminology and the Social Sciences (a peer-reviewed journal), manuscripts reviewer

Critical Issues in Justice and Politics (a peer-reviewed journal), manuscripts reviewer

Southwest Journal of Criminal Justice (a peer-reviewed journal), manuscripts reviewer

Cengage Learning, manuscripts reviewer

John Wiley & Sons, manuscripts reviewer

McGraw-Hill, manuscripts reviewer

Oxford University Press, manuscripts reviewer

Sage Publications, manuscripts reviewer

State Bar of Texas, Member, 2007-present.

Texas Young Lawyers Association, Member, 2007-present.

Western Social Science Association, Member, 2007-present.

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Member, 2007-present

Wichita County Bar Association, Member, 2007-present

Consultations

United Regional Foundation Board, 2018-present

Attorney *Ad Litem*, Child Protective Services, 2016-present

North Texas Rehab Center, Board of Directors, 2015-present

The Kitchen Wichita Falls, Board of Directors, 2014-present

Diocesan Finance Council, Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth, 2014-present

Nortex Criminal Justice Advisory Board, 2014-present

Wichita Falls Civil Service Commission, 2013-present

Consultation for Gerson Lehrman Group Legal & Regulatory Affairs Council,
2010–present

Consultation for National Institute of Justice, 2010

Consultation for Texas Workforce Commission, Postsecondary Criminal Justice
and Law Enforcement Teachers, 2009

Attorney *Ad Litem*, Texas Attorney General’s Office, 2008-present

Service

University Service

Graduate Coordinator, Master of Arts in Criminal Justice, 2016-present

MSU Title IX Review Panel, 2018-present

Chair, Gunn College of Health Sciences and Human Services Tenure and
Promotion Committee, 2016-2020

Chair, Campus Carry Task Force, 2015-2016

University Tenure and Promotion Committee, 2014-2016

Faculty Senate, College of Health Sciences and Human Services Representative, 2009-2011, 2012-2013; Faculty Senate Vice Chair, 2013-2019

MSU Crimestoppers, Faculty Advisor, 2013-2016

Criminal Justice Study Abroad Coordinator, 2013-present

Graduate Coordinator, Masters in Public Administration, 2012-2017

Omega Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma, Faculty Advisor, 2012-present

Core Curriculum Committee, College of Health Sciences and Human Services Representative, 2011-2012

Health and Public Administration Graduate Advisory Board, 2011-2017

Redwine Honors Program Committee, College of Health Sciences and Human Services Representative, 2010-2016

Interdisciplinary Committee, College of Health Sciences and Human Services, 2009-present

Writing Across the Curriculum Committee, College of Health Sciences and Human Services Representative, 2009-2012

University Chief of Police Selection Committee, 2009-2010

Academic Advising Committee, College of Health Sciences and Human Services Representative, 2008-present

University Budget Oversight Committee, Faculty Representative, 2008-2010

Alpha Chi Honor Society, Faculty Sponsor, 2008-present

State Employee Charitable Campaign Steering Committee, College of Health Sciences and Human Services Representative, 2008-2009

Law Enforcement Organization, Faculty Advisor, 2007-present

Midwestern State University Majors Fair, Criminal Justice Representative, 2007, 2008, 2009 & 2010

Moffett Library Liaison, Criminal Justice Department, 2007-present

Pre-Law Scholarship Committee, Faculty Representative, 2007-present

Pre-Law Advisor, 2007-present

Professional Service

Editorial Review Board Member, *Journal of Crime, Law & Social Issues*, 2018-present

Attorney *Ad Litem*, Child Protective Services, 2016-present

Editorial Review Board Member, *Journal of Intercultural Disciplines*, 2015-present

Nortex Criminal Justice Advisory Board, 2014-present

Wichita Falls Civil Service Commission, 2013-present

Editorial Review Board Member, *Crime, Punishment & the Law*, 2012-present

North Delta Human Services Authority, Board of Directors, 2011-present

Presenter, Speak Up Speak Out Sexual Assault Awareness Conference, 2010 & 2011 conferences

Advisory Board Member, *Annual Editions, Criminal Justice*, McGraw Hill, 2010-2016 Editions

Young Professionals Division of the Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce Member, 2010-present

State Bar of Texas, Member, 2007-present

Texas Young Lawyers Association, Member, 2007-present

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Member, 2007-present

American Society of Criminology, Member, 2007-present

Wichita County Bar Association, Member, 2007-present

Attorney *Ad Litem*, Texas Attorney General's Office, 2008-present

Legal Review of Fellowship Agreement between Midwestern State University and the Clinics of North Texas, September, 2008

Legal Review of Revenue Sharing Agreement for Wilson School of Nursing, September, 2007

Community Service

Impact100, Founding Member, 2019-present

United Regional Foundation, Board of Directors, 2018-2020

North Texas Rehab Center, Board of Directors, 2015-2019.

The Kitchen Wichita Falls, Board of Directors, 2014-2019

Diocesan Finance Council, Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth, 2014-2018

Faith Mission/Faith Refuge Volunteer, 2014-present

Meals on Wheels, Volunteer, 2012-present.

Kemp Center for the Arts, Board of Directors, 2011-2013

Wichita County Bar Association, Board of Directors, 2010-2013

Wichita County Humane Society, Board of Directors, 2008-2011

First Step, Inc. of Wichita Falls, Board of Directors, 2008-2010

North Texas Area United Way Community Impact Council, Grant Review Team, 2008-2009

Criminal Justice Advisory Committee, Vernon College, 2007-present

Awards and Honors

2018 CASA Champion for Children Attorney Award Nominee

2018 State Bar Subcommittee, Nominated by 30th District Court Judge and Appointed by Supreme Court of Texas

2017 Midwestern State University Faculty Award Recipient

2011 Texoma Woman to Watch. Award given by the Wichita Falls Texas Business Women.

Selected as the Keynote Speaker for the 2010 Midwestern State University Honors Symposium.

Selected as the Distinguished Lecturer for the 2010 Midwestern State University Athletic Training Distinguished Lecture Series.

Selected as the Criminal Justice faculty member for the Midwestern State University British Studies Program, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015 & 2016.

American Jurisprudence Award, Marital Property Law, 2006

American Jurisprudence Award, Tort Law, 2005