

# Christine Trinkl Dougherty

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## Biographic/Resume and Brief Statement

### **RUTGERS LAW SCHOOL - CENTER FOR CAREER DEVELOPMENT, Camden, NJ**

**Associate Director**, July 2024 – Present; **Assistant Director**, January 2012- June 2024

Provide comprehensive and tailored guidance to students regarding their summer and post graduate career plans, regularly review student application materials, update office resources as needed and stay abreast of legal employment trends and regularly create and present career-related/professional development programming for students. Event coordination and planning for most office sponsored events. Assist in data collection efforts to comply with ABA reporting requirements. Collaborate on the coordination of the judicial clerkship application process. Serve on Pro Bono/Public Interest office Summer Funding Review Committee. Collaborate with other law school departments as needed, such as Admissions Accepted Student Days and Minority Student Program career related programming. Designated “**Staff Member of the Year,**” by the graduating classes of 2017 and 2020. Member of NJ Bar Association. NALP Member.

**Visiting Assistant Clinical Professor/Supervising Attorney**, May 2011–January 2012

Taught clinical and doctrinal course, the Child and Family Advocacy Clinic, for third year law students.

### **DREXEL UNIVERSITY THOMAS R. KLINE SCHOOL OF LAW, Philadelphia, PA**

**Career Planning Specialist**, August 2010 – May 2011 (part-time)

Counseled students in developing individualized career plans, reviewed resumes/cover letters; organized and presented career-related programs; and information management.

### **STONELEIGH CENTER/SUPPORT CENTER FOR CHILD ADVOCATES, Philadelphia, PA**

**Fellow/Senior Staff Attorney**, January 2008 – January 2010

Awarded Stoneleigh Center fellowship to design and implement project focused on improving well-being outcomes for youth involved in the family court system.

### **SUPPORT CENTER FOR CHILD ADVOCATES**

**Senior Staff Attorney**, June 2007 – January 2008; **Staff Attorney**, March 2001- May 2007

Represented children and youth in civil dependency and criminal proceedings who were complainants and/or witnesses. Directed project focusing on the representation of children with complex medical needs. Managed law student intern program, including hiring, direct supervision and training. Member of PA and Philadelphia Bar Associations, National Association of Counsel for Children member and conference presenter.

### **HOMELESS ADVOCACY PROJECT, Philadelphia, PA**

**Coordinating Attorney, Children’s Educational Outreach Project**, October 1998 – March 2001

**Staff Attorney**, January 1997 – September 1998

**TEMPLE UNIVERSITY – JAMES BEASLEY SCHOOL OF LAW, Philadelphia, PA; Juris Doctor**, May 1996

**SAINT JOSEPH’S UNIVERSITY, Philadelphia, PA; Bachelor of Arts, English**, May 1993

## STATEMENT OF INTEREST

I am honored to accept a nomination to the Conference Planning Committee. As an Associate Director at Rutgers Law School's Center for Career Development (Camden location), with 12+ years of experience in legal career services, I bring extensive expertise in student engagement, event planning, and professional development programming. I coordinate our office's major events and regularly develop targeted programming for distinct student populations. I have attended various NALP conferences and webinars over the years and found the most recent conference last April to be particularly impactful with engaging content. The focus on emerging AI applications and challenges in career services was both enlightening and instructive for future programming with students.

I'm especially interested in seeing the growth of programming that addresses current challenges in recruitment, DEI initiatives, and public interest career pathways, a practice area which shaped my own legal experience. I welcome the opportunity to help shape NALP's conference offerings to meet our profession's evolving needs.