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## **EDUCATION**

**J.D., cum laude**, Vermont Law School, South Royalton, VT, 2001

**M.S.E.L., Masters of Studies of Environmental Law, magna cum laude**, Vermont Law School, South Royalton, VT, 2001

**B.A.**, History with honors, Penn State University, State College, PA, 1997

## **POSITIONS HELD**

**Director**, National Sea Grant Law Center/MS-AL Sea Grant Legal Program, University of Mississippi, January 2004 – Present. Responsible for program management and development. Conduct research, present findings, and advise universities, governmental agencies, and constituents on ocean and coastal legal and policy issues. Attended 2004 Summer Institute in Coastal Management, Coastal Resources Center, University of Rhode Island.

**Research Counsel**, National Sea Grant Law Center, University of Mississippi, September 2002 – December 2003. Conducted research on natural resources, marine, and environmental law issues for publication. Presented findings to constituents and peers. Supervised student research and writing. Co-chair of international conference, *International Coastal Management: Tools for Successful Regional Partnerships and Initiatives*, Athens, Georgia (June 2003). Served as editor of THE SANDBAR legal reporter and the SEA GRANT LAW AND POLICY DIGEST.

**Law Clerk**, Superior Court of Pennsylvania, Wilkes-Barre, PA, September 2001 – August 2002. Drafted published court opinions and unpublished memorandum. Researched multiple issues of law on appeal to the Superior Court.

**Law Clerk**, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C., Summer 2000. Drafted legal memorandum and briefs for use in litigation. Researched legal issues in environmental enforcement of regulatory statutes.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Adjunct Faculty (Non-Tenure)**, Law School, University of Mississippi, Spring 2005 - Present. Courses Taught – *Coastal and Ocean Law* (3 credits); *Wetlands Law and Policy* (2 credits); *Wildlife Law* (2 credits); *Developing Issues in Ocean and Coastal Law* (2 credits).

**Instructor**, English Department, University of Mississippi. Spring 2004 – Fall 2004. *LibA 102 (Freshmen Composition)*. Freshmen-level composition course designed to improve students writing, critical reading, and communications skills through exploration of the challenges facing today's fisheries managers. Planned lectures, wrote assignments, and evaluated student work.

**Graduate Faculty**, Department of Marine Science, University of Southern Mississippi, August 2005 – May 2009. *Law and Policy for Hydrographic Science*. Topics covered: Coastal Zone Management, Law of the Sea, Maritime Boundary, Contracts, and Products Liability.

**Lecturer**, Department of Coastal Sciences, University of Southern Mississippi, July 2003. *Marine Law and*

*Policy.* Team taught course with one other instructor. Solely responsible for lectures during second week of two-week course. Wrote and evaluated exams.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Showalter, S.E. 2010. Will California Law Apply to Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute's Offshore Aquaculture Demonstration Project? An Analysis of the Extraterritorial Application of State Aquaculture Laws, 16 *Hastings W.-Nw. J. Envtl L. & Pol'y* 223-237.

Showalter, S.E., and Bergeron, D. 2008. *Second State Proposes Ballast Water Discharge Permit*, *Great Lakes Seaway Review*, 37:1, pp. 6 – 11.

Maxwell, V. J., Supan, J., Schiavinato, L. C., Showalter, S. and Treece, G. D. 2008. *Aquaculture Parks in the Coastal Zone: A Review of Legal and Policy Issues in the Gulf of Mexico State Waters*, *Coastal Management*, 36:3, pp. 241 – 253.

Showalter, S.E. and Bowling, T. 2008. *Michigan's New Ballast Water Regime: Navigating the Treacherous Waters of States' Rights, Federal Preemption, and International Commerce*, *Aquatic Invaders*, 19:1-2.

Jacobs, J.S., and Showalter S.E. 2008. *The Resilient Coast: Policy Frameworks for Adapting the Built Environment to Climate Change and Growth in Coastal Areas of the U.S. Gulf of Mexico*. Texas Sea Grant.

Showalter, S.E. 2007. *Increasing Accountability through Mandatory ID Systems for Non-Native Species*, *Aquatic Invaders*, 18:2-4, pp. 8 – 11.

Showalter, S.E. 2006. Book Review. *Descent: The Heroic Discovery of the Abyss*. *Marine Technology Society Journal*. 39:4, p. 116.

Showalter, S.E. 2006. *The Growing Use of AUVs and Liability: Should Operators be Concerned?* *International Ocean Systems Magazine*, 10:1.

Showalter, S.E. 2005. Book Review. *Marine Affairs Dictionary: Terms, Concepts, Laws, Court Cases, and International Conventions and Agreements*. *Marine Technology Society Journal*, 39:2, p. 121.

Showalter, S.E. 2005. *The United States and Rising Shrimp Imports from Southeast Asia and Central America: An Economic or Environmental Issue*, *Vermont Law Review*, 29:3, pp. 847 – 876.

McLean, C. N., Showalter, S.E., and Larkin, E. 2005. *Marine Technology and Policy in 2005: Emerging Opportunities and Challenges*. *Marine Technology Society Journal*, 39:3, pp. 76 – 82.

Showalter, S. E. 2004. Commentary, *The Legal Status of Autonomous Underwater Vehicles*, *Marine Technology Society Journal*, 38:1, pp. 80 – 83.

Showalter, S. E. 2004. Book Review, *In Peril: A Daring Decision, a Captain's Resolve, and the Salvage that Made History*, *Marine Technology Society Journal*, 38:1, p. 84.

Showalter, S. E. 2004. *Marine Protected Areas in the Gulf of Mexico: A Survey* (in-house publication).

Showalter, S. E. 2003. *Aquatic Nuisance Species in the Gulf of Mexico: A Guide to Future Action by the Gulf of Mexico Regional Panel and the Gulf States* (in-house publication).

## **PRESENTATIONS**

*Legal Aspects of Seafood Certification*, American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting 2008, Ottawa, Canada, August 2008.

*Are all Floating Structures Vessels? An Analysis of the U.S. Supreme Court's Holding in Steward v. Dutra Construction Company*, Oceans 2006, Boston, MA, September 2006.

*The Legal Implications of Mandatory Identification Systems for Aquaculture Operations*, 14<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Aquatic Invasive Species, Key Biscayne, FL, May 2006.

*The Law Governing AUVs: What an Operator Needs to Know*, Oceans 2005, Washington, D.C., September 2005.

*Feasibility of Aquaculture Parks in Mississippi and Alabama*, Coastal Zone '05, New Orleans, LA, July 2005.

*Harmonization of U.S. Marine Laws: A Work in Progress*, Bappenas (National Planning and Management Board of the Republic of Indonesia), Jakarta, Indonesia, May 2005.

*Legal Tools for Coastal Hazards Mitigation*, South East Asia Regional Workshop and Coastal Hazards, Jakarta, Indonesia, May 2005.

*An Overview of the Sea Grant Law Center*, Sea Grant International, South East Asia Regional Roundtable, Jakarta, Indonesia, May 2005.

*Ohio H.B 218 and the Public Trust Doctrine*. International Submerged Lands Management Conference, Halifax, Nova Scotia, September 2004.

*The United States and Rising Shrimp Imports from Southeast Asia and Central America: An Economic or Environmental Issue*. Oxford Round Table, Oxford, England, August 2004.

*Aquatic Nuisance Species Laws in the Gulf of Mexico*. Coastal Zone '03, Baltimore, MD, July 2003

*Legal Implications of the Post-Harvest Treatment of Oysters*. Gulf Oyster Industry Council Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, January 2003.

## **RESEARCH CONTRACTS AND GRANTS (Principle or Co- Principle Investigator)**

### National Ocean and Atmospheric Agency

- 2008 – 2009 – National Sea Grant Law Center - \$310,000
- 2007 – 2008 – National Sea Grant Law Center - \$330,000
- 2006 – 2007 – Digital Coast Legislative Research Support - \$14,985
- 2006 – 2007 – National Sea Grant Law Center - \$886,241
- 2006 – 2007 – Grant to Establish National Sea Grant Law Center - \$100,000
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### Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant Consortium

- 2008 – 2009 – MS/AL Sea Grant Legal Program - \$100,000
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**LICENSURE**

- Licensed attorney in the states of Pennsylvania and Mississippi.

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- Sea Grant Association
- Marine Technology Society – Vice Chair, Law and Policy Committee, Book Review Editor