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I am a Florida attorney specializing in appellate law, an undergraduate English instructor, as well as a PhD Candidate in Comparative Studies at FAU. My PhD research examines intersections in United States legal histories, migrations, and multi-ethnic literatures, with a focus on nineteenth-century narratives in law and literature. I am currently completing my dissertation, an interdisciplinary biographical study of nineteenth-century African American author, educator, and activist, Nancy Gardner Prince (1799-1859), who lived in the US, Russia, and Jamaica, and published two anti-slavery texts in Boston in the 1840s and 1850s.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Comparative Studies, Florida Atlantic University, Expected May 2023

Dissertation Title: *Sailing Still: The Life and Writings of Nancy Gardner Prince (1799-1859)*

J.D., *magna cum laude*, University of Miami School of Law, 1999

B.A., *cum laude*, Arts and Humanities, Florida Atlantic University, 1996

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

"Nancy Prince: Strategic (Re)mappings through Travel and Text." *a/b: Auto/Biography Studies*.
(forthcoming 2023)

Ali Tal-Mason, Rachel Heffner-Burns, E. Dean, Delisa Hawkes, Sam Plasencia, Brianne Dayley, Daniella Cádiz Bedini, Mara Curechian, Amanda Louise Johnson, Monica Urban, Georgia Walton, Amanda Louise Johnson. "The Year in Conferences—2020." *ESQ: A Journal of Nineteenth-Century American Literature and Culture*, vol. 67 no. 1, 2021, p. 279-348

"Voyage to the Marvelous: A Traveler's Guide to *The Kingdom of This World*." *The Cambridge Journal of Postcolonial Literary Inquiry*, vol. 7, no. 1, 2020

"Reconsidering the Doctrine of Discovery: Spanish Land Acquisition in Mexico (1521-1821)." *Wisconsin International Law Journal*, vol. 17, no. 1, 1999, pp. 87-108

MAGAZINE ARTICLE - LEGAL COMMENTARY

"Will a Trump Tweet Sabotage a Popular Bipartisan Bill to Restore Tribal Lands?" *Slate*, Jurisprudence, 5 July, 2019

LAW REVIEW - EDITORIAL

Sub-Articles and Comments Editor, *The University of Miami Inter-American Law Review*, Spring 1998

Associate Editor, *The University of Miami Inter-American Law Review*, 1997-1998

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

2017-Present	Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL Instructor, Department of English, with Teaching Assistantship
2021-2022	Florida Atlantic University Center for Holocaust and Human Rights Education

PROFESSIONAL LEGAL EXPERIENCE AND CERTIFICATION

1999-Present	Florida Bar, Member Attorney, <i>Sole practitioner</i>
2001-Present	Council of Better Business Bureaus, <i>Arbitrator</i>
Aug. 2008-Aug. 2017	Ali Friedberg Tal-mason, Esq., <i>Attorney at Law</i> , Appellate Law, Appellate and Litigation Support
Aug. 2007-Aug. 2008	Law Clerk, Hon. W. Matthew Stevenson, Senior District Judge, Florida Fourth District Court of Appeal
Mar. 2000-Aug. 2000	Law Clerk, Hon. James C. Paine, Senior United States District Judge, Southern District of Florida
Sept. 1999-Mar. 2000	Law Clerk, Hon. Linnea R. Johnson, United States Magistrate Judge, Southern District of Florida
May 1998-Aug. 1998	Legal Intern, Hon. Donald L. Graham, United States District Judge, Southern District of Florida

TEACHING EXPERIENCE - COURSES TAUGHT

INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD:	ENC 1101 College Writing I
	ENC 1102 College Writing II
	ENC 1939 Special Topics in College Writing II: Law, Citizenship, and Identity
	ENC 1939 Special Topics in College Writing II: Reimagining College Comp
	ENC 3213 Professional Writing
	IDS 3890 Interdisciplinary Studies Seminar
TEACHING ASSISTANT:	LIT 2010 Interpretation of Fiction
	WOH 2012 History of Civilization I

LEADERSHIP - SERVICE

Fall 2022	Voter Protection Coordinator, Palm Beach County, Florida Democratic Party
2019-2020	Organizer, Tri-University Caribbean and Latin American Studies Conference
2019-2020	FAU Library Advisory Committee
Spring 2018	FAU GTA Curriculum Committee, Department of English
2013-2017	FAU A.D. Henderson University School, School Advisory Body
2010-2013	Palm Beach County Schools, Omni Middle, School Advisory Council, Secretary

HONORS AND AWARDS

Teaching Assistantship, Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters, Florida Atlantic University, 2017 to present
Patricia M. Courtenay Doctoral Fellowship, Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters, Florida Atlantic University, 2022
Dean's Summer Writing Workshop Grant, Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters, Florida Atlantic University, 2018
Anton Merit Scholarship, University of Miami School of Law, 1998
Dean's Certificate of Achievement for Outstanding Performance in U.S. Constitutional Law, University of Miami School of Law, Spring 1997
Dean's Certificate of Achievement for Outstanding Performance in Civil and Political Rights, University of Miami School of Law, Fall 1997
Order of the Coif Honor Society
Phi Delta Phi Honor Society, Bryan Inn Chapter

PAPERS AT CONFERENCES AND SYMPOSIA

- “ ‘I kept still’: Carceral Spaces in *A Narrative of the Life and Travels of Mrs. Nancy Prince*.” C19, The Society of Nineteenth-Century Americanists Seventh Biennial Conference, Coral Gables, March 31-April 2, 2022
- “A Call to Farm: The Communal Reconstructions of Américo Paredes.” C19, The Society of Nineteenth-Century Americanists Seventh Biennial Conference, Coral Gables, March 31-April 2, 2022
- “ ‘Every ship that comes in, the colored men are dragged to prison’: Black Travelers, the Law, and Antebellum New Orleans in *A Narrative of the Life and Travels of Mrs. Nancy Prince*.” MELUS 2022, The Society for the Study of the Multi-Ethnic Literature of the United States Conference, New Orleans, March 23-27, 2022
- “Undercurrents in Nancy Gardner Prince’s *West Indies* Pamphlet: U.S. Abolitionist Perspectives and Exchange in the Wake of Britain’s 1833 Slavery Abolition Act.” Comparative Studies Student Association Conference 2021, Florida Atlantic University, Virtually, March 5, 2021
- “ ‘God spoke very loud to *Bucker* (the white people) to let us go’ ”: Lessons of Defiance in Nancy Prince’s *West Indies* Pamphlet.” C19, The Society of Nineteenth-Century Americanists Sixth Biennial Conference, Penn State, Virtually, October 17, 2020
- “The Caribbean Origins of Anthropocene: It’s Time for a Change of Cene-ery.” The 37th West Indian Literature Conference, University of Miami, October 4-6, 2018
- “Migration, Memory, and Legal Silences: Counterarchival Voices in Patricia Powell’s *The Pagoda*.” Comparative Studies Student Association Conference 2019, Florida Atlantic University, October 25, 2019
- “Land and Citizenship in *George Washington Gómez*.” English Graduate Student Society Spring Conference, Florida Atlantic University, April 5, 2019
- “Tropical Intertextuality: Alejo Carpentier’s Critique of Colonial Discourse in *The Kingdom of This World*.” Comparative Studies Student Association Conference 2018, Florida Atlantic University, October 19-20, 2018
- “Tracing the Caribbean Origins of Anthropocene: Toward Decolonizing Climate Change Discourse.” Decolonization Across Disciplines in the Americas Symposium, Florida Atlantic University, January 26, 2019
- “Mobility and the Antebellum Travel Narrative: Legal Barriers to Black Travel in U.S. Slave States.” *Research Showcase*, Florida Atlantic University, Division of Research, September 20, 2018
- “Copyright Considerations and Teaching Fair Use Fluency in the Digital Classroom.” *Panel: Incorporating Digital Humanities in First-Year Writing Programs*. Teaching with Technology Showcase, Florida Atlantic University, April 20, 2018
- “Complicating Notions of Abolition and Resistance in *The Narrative of Nancy Prince*.” English Graduate Student Society Spring Conference, Florida Atlantic University, April 12-13, 2018

SPECIAL COURSEWORK

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| Summer 2022 | University of Virginia, Rare Book School, Course: African American Print Culture in the Nineteenth-Century United States, Dr. Derrick R. Spires |
| Summer 1997 | University College London. London, UK. Courses: International Human Rights Law, Federal (U.S.) Rules of Evidence |