

## **Thomas E. Betz, Directing Attorney Student Legal Service, January 1986-Present.**

### **Education**

Juris Doctorate, 1981, Wayne State University Law School, Detroit, MI.  
Bachelor of Science, Magna cum Laude, 1977, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI.  
Major: History; Minor: English

### **Bar and Court Admissions, Professional Organizations**

Admitted to State Bar of Michigan, 1981 (no longer active).  
Admitted to Practice Law in Illinois, 1985.  
Admitted to Practice, U.S. District Court for Central District of Illinois, 1985.  
Admitted to Practice U.S. District Court for Eastern District of Michigan, 1981.  
Admitted to Practice U.S. Champaign County Bar Association, 1985-Present.

National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, 2017-Present.  
American Immigration Lawyers Association, 2015-Present.  
University Student Legal Service Association-Western Region, 2000-Present.  
National Legal Aid and Defenders Association, Student Legal Services Section, 1986-Present.

### **Legal Conference Presentations**

"Landlord-Tenant: Ethics, conflicts, and practicalities for Student Legal Service offices."  
National Legal Aid and Defender's Association- Student Legal Service Section (hereafter NLADA-SLSS); Annual Meeting 2016, Palm Harbor Florida.

"Assessing Client Satisfaction and Student Learning." Panel Presentation. NLADA-SLSS;  
Annual Meeting 2016, Palm Harbor, Florida.

"Confidential Informants: A Student Legal Service protocol." Triple I (Illinois, Indiana, Iowa); Annual Meeting, April 15, 2016, University of Indiana, Bloomington, Indiana.

"Fair Housing and the 'Americans with Disabilities Act': What landlords must do to be in compliance." NLADA-SLSS; Annual Meeting 2015, Nashville, Tennessee.

Keynote: "Putting it Together... Making the Connection." Tenant Services and Landlord Resources Conference; May 29, 2015, Urbana, Illinois.

"Marketing Student Legal Service to Your University." Triple I; Annual Conference 2015, DePaul University, Chicago, Illinois.

"Housing: Pets, Service Animals and Therapy Animals, a 'tail' of two laws." University Student Legal Service Association-Western Region (hereafter USLSAWR) Annual Meeting 2015, New Orleans, Louisiana.

"Protocols for Interactions with International Students in a Student Legal Service Practice." Co-Presenter, Mary Ann Midden. NLADA-SLSS; Annual Meeting, 2014, Portland, Oregon.

"Case Studies: Retention Impact on Students Who Consult Student Legal Services for Assistance with Legal Issues." University of Illinois Student Affairs; 2014 Assessment Conference, Urbana, Illinois.

"Protocols for Interactions with International Students in a Student Legal Service Practice." USLSAWR; Annual meeting 2014, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

"Campus Based and Community Tenant Unions: Structure and Guidelines, Retention and Dissemination of Complaint Records, Legal and Ethical Issues." NLADA-SLSS; Annual Meeting 2013, Las Vegas, Nevada.

"Promoting Your Program: Effectively Marketing Your Student Legal Service office and ethical considerations in advertising; or why bottle openers are not the best bang for your buck." USLSAWR; Annual meeting, 2009, Santa Barbara, California.

"Dos and Don'ts on the Internet...Advising clients on the Law: Examining Myspace and Facebook." NLADA-SLSS; Annual Meeting, 2007, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

"Dos and Don'ts on the Internet: Advising clients on the law. Examining myspace and facebook"; USLSAWR; Annual Meeting 2007, Las Vegas, Nevada.

"Hovering Parents: The Ethics of Third Parties in the Student Legal Service Context." USLSAWR; Annual Meeting, 2006, San Diego, California.

"Stressful Clients and Client Situations." USLSAWR; Annual Meeting, 2005, New Orleans, Louisiana

"It's not Who You Know, but Who Knows You. Student Legal Service/University/ Advisory Board Communications." NLADA-SLSS; Annual Meeting, 2004, Chicago, Illinois.

"Lobbying a City Council in a University Community: Racial Identification Check Cashing Policies." NLADA-SLSS; Annual Meeting, 1993, Lake Tahoe, Nevada.

"College Students and *Desert Storm*: The Experience of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign." NLADA-SLSS; Annual Meeting, 1991, Vancouver, British Columbia.

### **Published Appellate Decisions Argued/Briefed as Attorney of Record**

Appellate Court of Illinois Fourth District

Vanlandingham v. Ivanow, 246 Ill. App. 3d 348, 186 Ill. Dec. 304, 615 N.E.2d 1361(1993)

Michigan Supreme Court

People v. Broden, 428 Mich. 343, 408 N.W.2d 789(1987)

Michigan Court of Appeals

People v. Broden, 147 Mich.App. 470, 382 N.W.2d 799 (1985)

People v. Tait, 136 Mich.App. 475, 356 N.W.2d 33, (1984)

### **Awards and Certifications**

University of Illinois Chancellor's Academic Professional Excellence (CAPE) Award, 2016.  
Elizabeth Berg Streeter Community Service Award, 2013. Horace W. Norton Memorial Award, 1994.  
Certificate of Mediation Training, 1994.  
American Bar Association, Law Student Division, Bronze Key Award, 1980.

### **Current and Past University of Illinois Committees**

Illini Union Director Search Committee, FY2017.  
International Student Workgroup.  
Assessment Council, Office of Dean of Students.  
Strategic Planning Committee, Office of Dean of Students.  
Chair, Tenant Union Director Search Committee, 2012 and 2013.

### **Community Service**

Member, Assessment Committee, NLADA Student Legal Service Section, 2016-2017.  
Member, City of Urbana Civil Service Commission, 2013, term ends 6/30/2017.  
Member of Board of Directors Champaign-Urbana Tenant Union 1986 to present.  
Elected member of Champaign County Board, 1996 to 2012.  
    Chair, Facilities Committee, Champaign County Board, 2010 to 2012.  
    Vice Chairman, Champaign County Board (two terms), 2008 to 2012.  
    Labor Liaison, Champaign County Board and Labor Committee, 1997 to 2012.  
    Chair, Policy Appointments and Procedures Committee, Champaign County Board, 2000 to 2010.  
President, Champaign County Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union (five terms), 1988 to 1993.  
Columbia Township Trustee to South Haven Community Hospital Board, 1976-1978.