# Donna Erez Navot

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#### Teaching Experience

**University of Wisconsin – Department of Urban and Regional Planning**, Madison, Wisconsin

Lecturer, January 2014 – May 2014

Develop a curriculum and teach a class entitled “Alternative Dispute Resolution and Civil Public Policy Discourse” which includes collaboration with Howard Bellman.

**University of Wisconsin – Law School,** Madison, Wisconsin

Director of Mediation Clinic, August 2011 – Present

Create Mediation Clinic at UW Law School. Establish, coordinate and plan the Dane County Small Claims Mediation Program and both Dane and Waukesha Child Protection Mediation Programs. Supervise and train law students in weekly practicum. Develop curriculum and seminar to accompany weekly pre-hearing mediations in Court. Oversee and coordinate grant writing and fundraising for Mediation Clinic.

**University of Wisconsin – Law School,** Madison, Wisconsin

Lecturer, January 2010 – May 2011

Develop a curriculum and teach a class through the Lawyering Skills Program entitled “Mediation Skills and Practice” which includes collaboration with the Waukesha Community Mediation Center. Lead multiple mediation trainings for the UW Law Clinical programs including the Economic Justice Institute.

**Baruch College, City University of New York,** New York, New York

Adjunct Assistant Professor, September 2006 – December 2009

Teach a class entitled “Conflict Resolution” to upper level undergraduate students (seven semesters’ experience). Develop curriculum and syllabus for class utilizing theoretical materials, video clips, interactive exercises and role-plays.

**Safe Horizon Mediation Program,** New York, New York

Mentor, June 2008 – October 2008

Supervise and train new mediators at Safe Horizon’s Community Mediation Center. Mediate disputes in cases such as juvenile delinquency, landlords/tenants, consumers/merchants, and neighbors.

#### Publications

*Designing a Child Protection Mediation Program in a New Era***,** ACResolution Magazine, Winter 2014 (with Perri Mayes).

#### Works In Progress

**ADR as a First Career: Forging Your Own Path (with Alyson Carrel and Tracey Frisch)**, ABA Dispute Resolution Magazine (under review), article describing the path for recent graduates who are aspiring ADR professionals.

**Effects of War on Litigation in Israel (with Marc Galanter),** Analyzing historical Israeli litigation statistics to test the impact of destabilizing social events, like war and immigration waves, on litigiousness of society

**Tools for the Clinical Professor: Applying Group Development Theory to Collaborative Learning in Law School Clinics,**(under review), interdisciplinary piece which applies psychological theory, specifically group dynamics theory, to teaching in the law school clinical setting. Working Paper Accepted and Scholarship Awarded for September 2013 Clinical Law Review Workshop at NYU Law School.

#### Professional/Mediation Experience

**Director of State Courts,** Wisconsin Supreme Court, Madison Wisconsin

Training Coordinator, November 2009 – July 2011

Coordinate and implement statewide training initiatives for various stakeholders in juvenile court including juvenile judges, court commissioners, clerks and guardians ad litem.

**Child Permanency Mediation Program,** New York City Family Court, New York, New York

Mediator, December 2006 – November 2009

Mediate child protective cases and termination of parental rights matters. Work with parties on a host of issues including but not limited to placement of children in foster care, service plans, relationships and communication between parties, custody/visitation/guardianship petitions, suspended judgments, conditional surrenders and planning for young adults aging out of care. Provide technical support and training to stakeholders in the NYC Family Court.

**The Honorable Rachel A. Adams,** New York Supreme Court, Richmond County, New York

Judicial Fellow, October 2006 – December 2006

Research and draft legal memoranda relating to various motions in both the Matrimonial and Integrated Domestic Violence Courts. Observe trials, and preliminary, status and settlement conferences.

**Equal Employment Opportunity Commission**, **ADR Program**, New York, New York

Legal Intern, May 2005 – July 2005

Participate in mediations of employment discrimination cases. Facilitate resolution in cases involving monetary settlements and physical accommodations for handicapped individuals.

**Mediation Clinic**, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, New York, New York  
Mediator, September 2004 – May 2005

Mediate disputes to resolution in cases between landlords and tenants, neighbors and consumers and merchants, after completing basic mediation training. Co-mediate federal discrimination cases from Eastern District of New York.

**The Honorable Arthur D. Spatt**,U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York, New York

Judicial Intern, June 2004 – August 2004

Research and draft legal memoranda relating to various motions in a habeas corpus case and a labor law case, which both formed the basis for opinions published in the New York Law Journal and online databases.

**Mental Health Clinic for Children and Adolescents & Drug Rehabilitation Center,** Israel

Clinical Social Work Intern, September 1998 – May 2000

Practice various therapeutic methods including play therapy in cases of victims of abuse and trauma, including home visits. Conduct numerous informative clinical interviews that served as a foundation for diagnosis and treatment. Facilitate weekly group sessions with drug rehabilitation center patients.

#### Education

**Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law**,New York, New York

Juris Doctor, June 2006

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| **Honors:** | | Cardozo Law School’s Public Service Stipend, National Association of Women Judges Scholarship Recipient, Cardozo Public Service Fellowship, Honorable Mention for Best Memorandum at International Commercial Arbitration Moot |
| **Course Work:** | Mediation Clinic, Divorce Mediation Seminar, International Commercial Arbitration Seminar & Practicum. |

**Tel Aviv University**, Tel Aviv, Israel

Bachelor of Social Work, May 2000

**Emory University**,Atlanta, Georgia

Bachelor of Arts, Double Major in Psychology and Middle Eastern Studies, May 1998

#### Online Course

*Creator of Online Training,* University of Wisconsin Division of Continuing Studies, “Mediation Techniques for Managing Conflict,” Online, September 2012.

#### Selected Presentations/Trainings

*Presenter,* “ADR: The Next Generation” American Bar Association, Dispute Resolution Section Conference, Miami, Florida, April 2014.

*Presenter*, “Representation in Divorce Mediation” Madison Family Law Network, Madison, WI, January 2014

Presenter*,* “Mindfulness for Advocacy and Client Representation” UW Law School’s Immigrant Justice Clinic, Madison, WI, September 2013

*Trainer, “*Legal Advocacy in Child Protection Mediation”Dane County Corporation Counsel’s Office, Madison, WI, August 2013

*Trainer, “*Role of the Social Worker in Child Protection Mediation” Dane County Human Services Office, Madison, WI, August 2013

*Trainer*, “Representation in Mediation” UW Law School’s Economic Justice Institute Orientation Training, Madison, WI, August 2013

*Presenter,* “Teaching in Circle” American Bar Association, Dispute Resolution Section Conference, Legal Educators Colloquium, Chicago, IL, April 2013.

*Presenter,* “Mindfulness at Work” Staff Retreat for Porchlight, Inc., Madison, WI, February 2011

*Trainer, “*Basic Mediation Training” for Roller Derby League, Madison, WI, November 2010

*Presenter,* “Empowering Children and Adolescents through Child Permanency Mediation” Association for Family and Conciliation Courts Conference, New Orleans, LA, May 2009.

*Presenter,* “ADR: The Next Generation” American Bar Association, Dispute Resolution Section Conference, New York, NY, April 2009.

*Presenter*, Peer Mediation and Conflict Resolution Institute, Madison, WI, November 2007.

#### Grants and Contracts

***Dane County Child Protection Mediation Pilot Program***

Mediation Clinic established Dane County CP Meditation Program. Contracted for $11,500 including system design and mediation services (2013-2014).

***Waukesha County Child Protection Mediation Pilot Program***

Mediation Clinic established Waukesha County CP Meditation Program. Contracted for $9,000 including system design and mediation services (2012-2013).

***Morgridge Center Service Learning Grant***

Mediation Clinic received a 2-year Morgridge Center Grant totaling $44,461 (2012).

#### Bar Admission

New York, Wisconsin

**Language Proficiency**

Hebrew – Fluent in reading and writing.