# Beth Conradson Cleary

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### **EDUCATION**

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF WISCONSIN, Milwaukee, Wisconsin Master's Degree in Bioethics, Fall 2007

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY, Milwaukee, Wisconsin Juris Doctor, May 2005 Graduate Certificate in Dispute Resolution, May 2006

CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY, Omaha, Nebraska *Bachelor of Arts*, English, May 2001

### **EXPERIENCE**

CITY OF MILWAUKEE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, Milwaukee, Wisconsin Assistant City Attorney, October 2006 – present

> Provide legal counsel to the City of Milwaukee Employes' Retirement System.

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, Milwaukee, Wisconsin Public Service Administrator, July 2005 – June 2006

- > Created, organized and produced successful interdisciplinary conference on Medicare's Prescription Drug Benefit with participation from Medical College of Wisconsin and other health care professionals.
- > Planned and coordinated conference on Health Fraud and Abuse.
- > Provided support for public interest and pro bono initiatives within the Marquette University Law School community, such as the Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinic, the Restorative Justice Initiative program, and networking groups amongst area legal services.
- Wrote grant proposals for funding of public service initiatives.

## LEGAL ACTION OF WISCONSIN, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Law Clerk, Summer 2004

- > Drafted appeals for denials of prior authorizations related to state Medicaid programs. Conducted research and wrote memos on the issue of medically necessary items.
- > Attended Senate Committee Hearings and state-wide forums related to health care advocacy for the indigent.
- > Assisted in organizing city-wide summit on health care for the mentally ill.

LEGAL AID SOCIETY OF MILWAUKEE, 2003 PILS Fellowship recipient, Milwaukee, Wisconsin Law Clerk, Summer 2003

Conducted research and composed memorandums relevant to predatory lending, Federal False Claims Act, Watt's reviews, and paternity disputes. Drafted wills, composed court documents for civil disputes and correspondences to judges. Conducted client intake via weekly community outreach program and investigations within the Milwaukee Secure Detention Facility. Participated in Legal Aid's Guardian ad Litem program and assisted in drafting an answer.

MANRESA PROJECT, Marquette University: Milwaukee, Wisconsin Graduate Research Assistant, September 2002 – June 2006

Collaborated in organizing and hosting Manresa-sponsored speakers, including the archbishop Desmond Tutu, Pulitzer-prize winner, Ron Suskind, best-selling author Anne Lamott, Arun Gandhi, and Paul Rusesabagina (subject of the film, *Hotel Rwanda*); organized and facilitated campus-wide leadership workshops; organized and planned national conferences; developed and communicated to Marquette community members regarding vocation-related opportunities.

JESUIT VOLUNTEER CORPS, Portland, OR Homeless Youth Advocate, August 2001-August 2002

Empowered homeless youth to discover their unique attributes, self-reliance and the ultimate goal of exiting street life. Assisted youth in obtaining health insurance, medical attention, case management, legal advice, and resources that addressed issues such as anger management, mental health tendencies and drug and alcohol abuse; conducted group-programs such as legal advisory group, music group and women's group; promoted alternative health care and needle-exchange programs; educated youth about STDs, proper hygiene, harm reduction; accompanied homeless youth in peer-education-based outreach program.

### RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Public Health Emergencies: Preparing for the Worst, Responding for the Common Good. Masters Thesis. Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee. 2008.

Review of Lloyd et al., Cases in Medical Ethics and Law CD-ROM: An Interactive Tutorial (2005). Doody's Review Service (on-line). Available: http://www.doody.com. (Accessed Mar. 1, 2006).

Childhood Obesity, Baby Boomers and the Echo Boom, 7 MARQ. ELDER'S ADVISOR 132, (Fall, 2005).

Book Review, 6 MARQ. ELDER'S ADVISOR 181, (Fall, 2004) (reviewing Timothy S. Jost, Disentitlement? The Threats Facing Our Public Health Care Programs and a Rights-Based Response (2003)).

### COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEER SERVICE

MARQUETTE VOLUNTEER LEGAL CLINIC, Milwaukee, Wisconsin Steering Committee Member (2005-10)/Attorney Supervisor, December 2005 – present

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF WISCONSIN, Milwaukee, Wisconsin Course Facilitator, Medical Ethics and Palliative Care Course

FUTURE MILWAUKEE, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 2007 graduate

MILWAUKEE MOSAIC PARTNERSHIPS, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 2007-08 Coach/Co-facilitator

**FUEL MILWAUKEE**, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 2008-09 Creative Council Member

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

National Association of Public Pension Attorneys, Member
League of Wisconsin Municipalities, Member
Association of Municipal Attorneys, Member
State Bar of Wisconsin, Member
American Bar Association, Member
Coalition for Access to Legal Resources, Member
Creighton University, Milwaukee Alumni Advisory Board, Member