**SUSAN L. SULLIVAN**

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**EDUCATION**

**Certificate in Moral Foundations of Politics**

Yale University, New Haven, CT

**Juris Doctor (JD)**

Rutgers Law School, Newark, NJ

*Order of the Coif - Awarded for academic achievement*

**Masters degree in International Business**

St. Mary’s College, Moraga, CA

**Bachelor of Arts in English**

University of Exeter, Exeter UK

**ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

**Assistant Professor** (non-tenure track) – **Temple University**; Philadelphia, PA 2018 - present *Department of Criminal Justice; Department of Political Science*

* Courses taught:
  + Criminal Procedure
  + White Collar Crime
  + Justice in America
  + Comparative International Criminal Law
  + Constitutional Law
  + Civil Rights
  + The Supreme Court
  + Crime and Justice around the Globe
  + History and Significance of Race in America
  + Intellectual Heritage
* Brought in accomplished speakers to engage with students including a US Supreme Court Justice
* Created and implemented early intervention strategies, significantly improving student retention
* Created strategies to reinforce learning with role-playing activities, engaging students with creative exercises to promote participation, such as orchestrating dramatic simulations of real-world events
* Arranged field trips to cultural sites to reinforce hands-on student engagement with curriculum
* Established strategies to foster student engagement with the broader community
* Developed syllabi, designed assignments and assessment tools, delivered lectures and seminars using innovative strategies to foster, reinforce, and stimulate understanding and promote engagement with content

***Ad ho*c Pre-Law Adviso**r – **Temple University**; Philadelphia, PA 2018 - present

*Department of Criminal Justice; Department of Political Science*

* Worked with students considering law school, providing advice, counsel, and hands-on assistance
* Assessed students’ specific needs and developed individual, personalized strategies to prepare for the law school admission process
* Reviewed, revised, and edited personal statements
* Recommended course selection to ensure law school readiness
* Assisted with law school selection, applications, and LSAT preparation
* Role-played interview strategies
* Conducted workshops for potential law school candidates

**Adjunct Professor – Rosemont College**; Bryn Mawr, PA Fall 2019

*Department of Political Science*

* Courses taught:
  + Civil Rights
  + Policies in Immigration
* Designed and delivered engaging lectures for undergraduate students online and in-person
* Developed innovative curriculum and assessment methods to enhance student learning outcomes

**Adjunct Professor – Widener University**; Wilmington, DE 2008 - 2010

*Delaware Law School*

* Courses taught:
  + Legal Methods I (Research, Writing, Advocacy)
  + Legal Methods II (Research, Writing, Advocacy)
* Designed real-life classroom exercises simulating appellate arguments and courtroom procedures to develop student confidence and capabilities

**Adjunct Professor of Literature, St. Joseph’s University**; Philadelphia, PA 2009 - present

*Department of Foreign Languages*

* Courses taught:
  + Women in World Literature
  + Society in World Literature
  + French Caribbean Literature
  + Literature From the Middle East
  + Non-European Literature in Translation
  + The Feminine Profile in Translation
  + Literature, Culture, and the Nobel Prize
* Developed syllabi, designed assignments and assessment tools, delivered lectures and seminars using innovative strategies to foster, reinforce, and stimulate understanding and promote engagement with content
* Brought in accomplished speakers, including authors, poets, journalists, and human rights activists
* Created strategies to reinforce learning with role-playing activities, engaging students with creative exercises to promote participation
* Assessed student progress through essays, quizzes, online discussion boards, and oral presentations

**LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

**Law Clerk – Third Circuit Court of Appeals**; Newark, NJ

* Clerked for federal Judge, now a Justice of the United States Supreme Court
* Research and wrote draft opinions on seminal cases, including *Casey v Planned Parenthood*
* Confer and debate legal issues to decide the outcome of cases to be heard before the Third Circuit Court of Appeals

**Attorney – Cravath, Swaine, and Moore**; New York, NY

* Litigated complex cases on a state and national level for premier U.S. law firm
* Areas of practice include: First Amendment, trademark, business law, and white-collar crime

**Attorney – Coblentz, Cohen, McCabe, and Breyer**; San Francisco, CA

* Litigated cases, handled arbitrations, and managed risk assessments
* Areas of practice include: First Amendment, false advertising, and employment law

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

**Faculty Mentor Award** – College of Liberal Arts Baccalaureate Program 2023, 2024, 2025

*Nominated by Joseph Armstrong*

**Faculty Mentor Award** – College of Liberal Arts Baccalaureate Program 2023, 2024, 2025

*Nominated by Alexios Pangeolitis*

**UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

**Faculty Senate, Member** 2025/2026

**Co-Chair, Faculty Senate *ad hoc* Committee in Defense of Academic Freedom, Institutional Integrity, and the Research Enterprise**

* Spearhead and coordinate efforts to assess and develop a response to the ongoing threats to higher education and the foundational principles of academic freedom, including free speech, academic independence, institutional autonomy, and the safety of international students. Liaise with faculty Senate representatives from colleges and universities around the country, including Rutgers, U Mass, UVA. Draft and prepare a Resolution for submission by Faculty Senate to President Fry.
* Review and analyze pending litigation, including *President and Fellows of Harvard University v DHS, et al*

**Elected Member – College of Liberal Arts Executive Merit Committee** 2023 - 2025

*Temple University; Philadelphia, PA*

* Evaluates the College of Liberal Arts faculty performance to determine eligibility for increased compensation

**Elected Member – Department of Political Science NTT Merit Committee**  2023 - 2025

*Temple University; Philadelphia, PA*

* Evaluated all Political Science Department faculty performance to determine eligibility for increased compensation

**Judge – Northeast Regional Intramural Mock Trial Competition**  2024, 2025

*Temple University; Philadelphia, PA*

* Presided as judge over the northeast regional student mock trial competition
* Provided performance feedback to participants

**Invited Debate Moderator – Political Science Society**  2021-2025t

*Temple University; Philadelphia, PA*

* Moderates annual debates between legal and political public figures

**PRESENTATIONS AND PANELS**

“Law School 101.” (Fall, 2024; Spring 2025). Invited speaker and panelist. Temple University, Philadelphia, PA.

“International Law: Global Studies and Politics.” (June 2024, 2025). Invited speaker and panelist. Temple University, Philadelphia, PA.

“Professionalism Series: Unpacking Law School.” (February 2024, 2025). Invited speaker and panelist. Temple University, Philadelphia, PA.

**PUBLICATIONS**

Sullivan, S. (2024). “Why the Supreme Court Must Reject Donald Trump’s Argument That Presidents

Can Get Away with Anything: Opinion.” Https://Www.Inquirer.Com, 6 June 2024, [www.inquirer.com/opinion/commentary/trump-immunity-claim-supreme-court-20240606.html.](http://www.inquirer.com/opinion/commentary/trump-immunity-claim-supreme-court-20240606.html)

Sullivan, S. (2024). “Why Justice Alito Must Recuse Himself from Hearing

Cases Involving Trump.: Opinion.” Https://Www.Inquirer.Com, 2 June 2024, [www.inquirer.com/opinion/commentary/justice-alito-upside-down-flag-trump-immunity-recusal-20240602.html.](http://www.inquirer.com/opinion/commentary/justice-alito-upside-down-flag-trump-immunity-recusal-20240602.html)

**CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**Board Member – Vanguard Little Ships Restoration Foundation**;Essex, UK

* Provided advice and council to newly formed community organization

**Pro Bono Legal Counsel – The Couper Arts Foundation;** London, UK

* Developed post-trial strategy for multi-million-dollar UK arts foundation

**Pro Bono Attorney – Cravath, Swain, and Moore;** New York, NY

* Provided legal representation for indigent clients and victims of domestic violence

**NEWS COMMENTARY AND MEDIA EXPERIENCE**

**Guest Television News Commentator – MSNBC (The Last Word with Lawrence O’Donnell);** Washington D.C.

* Provided on-air analysis of politics and current events
* Segments include:
  + “[Justice Alito’s failure to recuse himself from cases in light of flying upside-down American flag at his DC home”(June 2024)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GTWD2kZS60s)

**Guest Television News Commentator – BBC News**; Washington D.C.

* Provides analysis on current events, elections, crime, law and politics

**Guest Television News Commentator – TRT World News**; Washington D.C.

* Provides regular live on-air commentary
* Topics include gun control and American gun culture, the First Amendment and free speech, abortion rights, state sovereignty, impeachment proceedings, and Supreme Court cases

**Guest Radio Commentator – KYW News Radio**; Philadelphia, PA

**Guest Radio Commentator – BBC Radio Essex**; Essex, UK

Media **(Television) Interviews**

* [Live Interview on MSNB’s Last Word with Lawrence O’Donnell](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GTWD2kZS60sLinks%20to%20an%20external%20site) (June 2024)
* Live television interview concerning the attack on academic freedom, and threats to higher education by the Trump administration (June 2025) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vqUx4dR-9u4
* [The arrest of Donald Trump in Fulton County Georgia on charges of election interference](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yBrepdqifGI) (August 2023)
* [Live television news coverage of the arrest of Donald Trump on charges of election interference](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yBrepdqifGI) (August 2023)
* [Live television coverage of the implications of the execution of the FBI warrant to search Donald Trump's Florida property](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tfjIRGer4ho) (August 2022)
* [American Gun Culture, Crime, and Gun Control](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1bzdioTdlAY&ab_channel=TRTWorldNow) (April 2022)
* [Live Television News commentary on the attempts to elect Kevin McCarthy as Speaker of the House](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iykfCD_M8kU) (Jan 2022)
* [Live Television News Commentary on school shootings and gun culture in the USA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WXp1ArGdGlo&t=2s&ab_channel=SusanSullivan) (December 2021)
* [Live Television News Commentary on the introduction of gun-control legislation by President Biden](https://youtu.be/9fBQG-aPsJo) (March 2021)
* [Live Television News Coverage of the riot at the US Capitol, January 6, 2021](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sSSeqVa01bc&t=109) (January 2021)
* [Live TV News Commentary on the Impeachment of Donald Trump](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j06VXBNWfFE&t=1s) (January 2021)
* [Live TV Coverage as the Results of the 2020 Election are Tabulated](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V82uH8X_5mY) (November 2020)
* Live Television News Commentary on the first Trump/Biden Debate (November 2020)
* [Live Television Interview about the Criminal Implications of the Release of the Transcript of the Trump/Zelensky telephone conversation](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XF6Ytx9qZgU&t=5s) (September 2019)

[Live Television news commentary on the wave of anti-abortion legislation imposing criminal penalties reaching the US Supreme Court](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uUEVS8e16kE&t=7s)

**Interviewer/Host – NPR (National Public Radio) City Arts and Lectures**; San Francisco, CA

* Prepared interview questions and hosted interviews live on air
* Recent interviewees include:
  + Salman Rushdie
  + Jonathan Franzen
  + Jonathan Safran-Foer
  + Arundhati Roy
  + A.S. Byatt

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

**Member –** New Jersey, New York, and California State Bar Associations (inactive)