

Todd M. Nelson, MDiv, J.D.

Curriculum Vitae

Name:	Todd M. Nelson, MDiv, J.D.
Rank:	Associate Professor
Tenure/Nontenure:	Tenured
Year Joined the Institution:	2014
Curriculum Vitae Updated:	June 2022

Teaching Experience

Associate Professor – August 2014 – Present

College of Business

Northwest University, Kirkland, WA

- BUSM 6513 – MBA: Legal and Ethical Responsibility
- BUSM 5153 – MBA: Negotiation Theory and Practice
- BUSM 4563 – Business Ethics
- BMGT 4503 – Nonprofit Management
- BUSM 4443 – CAPS: Conflict Resolution and Negotiations (*also* COMM 4443)
- BUSM 4403 – Business Capstone: Policy and Ethics
- BUSM 4043 – Business Negotiations
- BUSM 3403 – Business Law
- BUSM 3883 – Purposeful Business Strategies
- BUSM 3123 – International Business
- BUSM 2553 – Survey of Economics

Adjunct Professor – January 2012 - July 2014

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Northwest University, Kirkland, WA

- BUSM 6513 – MBA: Legal and Ethical Responsibility
- BUSM 4443 – CAPS: Conflict Resolution and Negotiations (*also* COMM 4443)
- BUSM 3403 – Business Law

Educational Background

Master of Divinity

Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA

Degree Completed: June 2012

Juris Doctor

University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN

Degree Completed: May 1988

Bachelor of Arts – Economics, History (minor)

Whitman College, Walla Walla, WA
Degree Completed: May 1984

Non-Educational Experience

Arbitrator – 2009 - Present

King County Superior Court, Seattle, Washington

Managing Member (Founder) – 2006 - Present

Nelson Law Group PLLC, Seattle, Washington

Presenter/Facilitator – 2004 - Present

Paradox Presentations, Seattle, Washington

Senior Partner (Co-Founder) – 1997 - 2006

Ferring Nelson LLP, Seattle, Washington

Partner (and Associate) – 1988 - 1997

Oles, Morrison & Rinker, LLP Seattle, Washington

Business, Construction and Claims Consultant – May 1984 - August 1985

Earl Nelson Corporation, Spokane, Washington

Professional Memberships (include offices held)

- **Washington State Bar Association (WSBA)** – Active
- **Academy of Legal Studies in Business (ALSB)**, Pacific Northwest – Active
- **Christian Business Faculty Association (CBFA)** – Active
- **Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF)** - Active
- **Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Colleges (ACBSP)** – Member
- **Christian Legal Society (CLS)** – Member
- **Associated General Contractors (AGC)** – Inactive Member
- **Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)** – Inactive Member

Professional Meeting Attended (include dates)

- **ADF, Webinar, Viewpoint Diversity Score Business Index**, June 16, 2022
- **Seattle Pacific University, A Conversation on: Faith and Work. Faith and the Imagination, Poetry, Song and Inspiration**, June 7, 2022
- **ACBSP, Pacific Northwest Annual Conference**, April 7-9, 2022
- **Peregrine Academics, Digital Transformation in Higher Education**, February 16, 2021
- **PON (Harvard - Program on Negotiation), Virtual Kelman Seminar Series, From 9/11 to Covid-19: 19 Years at PON**, December 11, 2020
- **CLS Virtual Conference**, July 24, 2020

- **ACBSP Virtual Conference**, June 22-24, 2020
- **PLNU/ACBSP Virtual Conference**, April 29, 2020
- **BAM (Business as Mission) Pacific Northwest Conference**, October 29, 2019
- **ALSB Pacific Northwest Annual Conference**, April 12-13, 2019
- **CBFA Annual Conference**, October 18-22, 2017
- **BAM Annual Conference**, September 20-23, 2016
- **KIROS Faith and Work Meeting**, April 21, 2016
- **WSBA Annual Best of CLE**, December 30-31, 2015
- **WSBA Business, Professional & Ministry Conferences**, 1988 - Present

Papers Presented (include dates)

- **Participating Host and Presenter**, *Vision, Mission and Values – Launch Event*, Northwest University, College of Business, Kirkland, Washington, May 25, 2022
- **Presenter**, *Jesus in the Workplace*, Northwest University Staff Development, Kirkland, Washington, August 2020
- **Panel Member**, Business as Mission (BAM) Pacific Northwest Conference, October 29, 2019
- **Presenter**, *Enhancing Business Education with Trial Simulations*, Academy of Legal Studies in Business, Pacific Northwest 2019 Annual Conference, Seattle, Washington, April 12, 2019
- **Presenter**, *The Art of Negotiation*, Northwest University Alumni Elevate, Bellevue Washington, July 25, 2019
- **Presenter/Facilitator**, NLG/Paradox Marketplace Ministry Gatherings, 2007-Present¹
- **Presenter**, WSBA Continuing Legal Education (CLE) Seminars, 1994-2012²
- **Presenter**, *Fools for Christ: A Fresh Look at our Timeless Faith*, Northwest Ministry Conference, 2007
- **Presenter**, *Considering Our Faith & the Laws of This World*, Northwest Ministry Conference, 2007

Publications

- Nelson, T., Eidsmoe, J. (2019). *Brief of Amici Curiae Religious Liberty Attorneys in Support of Appellants in State of Washington v. Arlene's Flowers et al.* No. 91615-2, Supreme Court of the State of Washington.
- Nelson, T. (2019). *Faith & Work*, Pursuit. Kirkland, WA, Northwest University.

¹ Regular marketplace ministry gatherings include facilitated presentations, such as - *Hearing God's Voice*, Dr. Tom Jonez; *They Shall Walk*, Monty Reed; *Christian Higher Ed: Teaching the Values of Jesus*, Dr. Joseph Castleberry; *High Octane Marriage*, Danny DeWalt, Esq.; *Being His Skin*, Pastor Bob Lien; *Catalysts*, Jeff Lilley, UGM; *Sharing the Gospel*, Pastor Mark Lori-Amini; *Generous Giving*, National Cristian Foundation; etc.

² Business and legal seminars include presentations, topics such as - *How to Create, Perfect, Foreclose & Defend Liens*; *Washington Lien Laws – A Primer and Checklist*; *Identifying Hot Issues Before and During Construction*; *Key Insurance Policies and Principles for Your Protection*; *Notice & Record Keeping: Keys to a Successful Business & Project*; *The Misfortunes of One-Sided Contracts*; etc.

- Nelson, T., Ferring, M. & Jacob, J. (2002). *State Public Construction Law Sourcebook: State of Washington* (M. Love & D. Patin, Eds.). Chicago, IL: CCH Incorporated.
- Nelson, T. (1998). *Fifty State Monograph on The Enforceability Of 'No Damage For Delay Clauses: ' State of Washington*, A Report of the Subcommittee on Survey of State Laws for the Construction Industry, Section of Litigation, American Bar Association (R. Lowe, Ed.). Chicago, IL: American Bar Association.
- Nelson, T., Nagle, J. & Oles, D. (1996). *Washington Building Contracts and Construction Law: General Contract Formation Principles & Contract Interpretation Principles* (J. Nagle & D. Oles, Eds.). Carlsbad, CA: Michie Parker Publications Division.

Other Research Activity

- Facilitating the education of souls in the radically other/wise paradoxical holistic Way, Truth and Life of 'faith-work-business-law-ethics,' both in and not of this world, in theory and practice, for unending profit and Matthew 16:26, John 6:29, Romans 12:2, the Greatest Commandment and Golden Rule.

Consulting

Arbitrator (ADR) – 2009 - Present

King County Superior Court, Seattle, Washington

Managing Member (Founder) – 2006 - Present

Nelson Law Group PLLC, Seattle, Washington

Presenter/Facilitator – 2004 - Present

Paradox Presentations, Seattle, Washington

Professional Growth Activities

- **Self-Reflection and Presentation**, Tenure and Promotion Portfolio
- **Active Member**, Academy of Legal Studies in Business, Pacific Northwest
- **Active Member**, Christian Business Faculty Association
- **Participant**, Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Colleges (ACBSP)
- **Active Counsel**, Alliance Defending Freedom, Honor Corp
- **Active Member**, Christian Legal Society
- **Active Attendee/Participant**, WSBA Continuing Legal Education Seminars³

³ Recent Professional Business, Legal and Ethical continuing education courses included - *Into the Twittersphere: The Ethics of Social Media and the Law*; *Expanding Horizons: Understanding Business Asset Acquisitions*; *A Guide to Employee Handbooks*; *The Evolution of Business: Representing Startups and Corporate Entities*; *An Introduction to Federal Anti-Employment Discrimination Laws*; *Confidential: Ethical Dilemmas of Confidentiality*; *Representing Content Producers in the Multimedia Age*; *The Big Short: Understanding Mortgage Documents*; *The Transformation*

- **Participant**, National Litigation Academy
- **Participant**, National Institute for Trial Advocacy

Seminars, Training Programs, etc. Conducted for the Business Industry

- *See noted 'Papers' and 'Presentations.'*

Professional Presentations, Speech, etc.

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- **Presenter**, *The Art of Negotiation*, Northwest University Alumni Elevate, Bellevue Washington, July 25, 2019
- **Presenter/Facilitator**, NLG/Paradox Marketplace Ministry Gatherings, 2007-Present (*see footnote 1*)
- **Retreat Speaker**, *Spiritual Practices*. Young Life Staff Training, Seattle, Washington, 2015
- **Retreat Speaker**, *Your Legacy*. Young Life Area Directors, Bellevue, Washington, 2015
- **Retreat Speaker**, *Prayer*. Young Life Leader Training, Seattle, Washington, 2013
- **Presenter**, WSBA Continuing Legal Education (CLE) Seminars, 1994-2012 (*see footnote 2*)
- **Presenter**, *Fireside Chat*, Christian Legal Society, Pacific Northwest Chapters, Seattle, Washington, 2010
- **Presenter**, *Fools for Christ: A Fresh Look at our Timeless Faith*, Northwest Ministry Conference, 2007
- **Presenter**, *Considering Our Faith & the Laws of This World*, Northwest Ministry Conference, 2007
- **Chapel Speaker**, *Has not God made Foolish the Wisdom of This World*, World Vision, Federal Way, Washington, 2006
- **Commencement Address**, University of Washington Law School, CLS Chapter, Seattle, Washington, 2006
- **Presenter**, *Testimony of the Evangelists*, Christian Legal Society, Seattle Chapter, Seattle, Washington, 2004

of Discovery in the New World of Social Media; The Foundation of Ethics in Real Estate Transactions; Learning the Art of Effective Contract Drafting; The Art of Drafting Contracts for Media Clients; A Holistic Approach to Estate Planning; Transcending Legal Ethics Issues; A Guide to Understanding Mediation; The Inner Workings of Arbitration; Stepping into the Ring: Representing Athletes in Individualized Sports; Immigration: Helping Children from the Latest Border Crossing Surge; Hate Crime Laws: Federal and State; Good Cop, Bad Cop: Understanding Laws Governing Police Misconduct; The Ethics of Blogging; The Elderly: Determining Competency and Abuse; etc.

Institutional Services Performed

- **COB Vision, Mission and Values Launch Team**, 2021 - Present
- **COB Faculty Hiring Committee**, 2020-Present
- **NU Faculty Development Committee Member**, 2017 - 2022 (3 terms/limit)
- **COB Representative**, NU Admissions, 2016 - Present
- **COB Representative**, NU New Student Orientation, 2016 - Present
- **Chair/Faculty Lead**, Business Administration, 2016 - Present
- **Advisor**, 2015 - Present
- **Emcee**, COB Family Graduation Celebrations, 2015 - Present
- **Invited Presenter**, *Jesus in the Workplace*, NU Staff Development Day, 2020
- **Invited Speaker**, Last Lecture: *The Truth – What or Who*, 2018
- **International Travel Faculty**, Lead COB Student Trip to China, 2017 - 2018
- **Guest Lecturer**, *The Radical Business of Sharing, Learning & Growing Together*, visiting Teachers from China, 2017
- **Member**, NU High Profile Speakers Endeavor, 2016 - 17
- **Invited Speaker**, NU Board of Directors, Pizza Theology: *Incarnational Ministry*, 2016
- **Invited Speaker**, Campus Ministry Devotional: *Fools for Christ*, 2016
- **Committee Member**, NU Budget Committee, 2015 - 2017
- **Invited Speaker**, Faculty Council Devotional: *The Spirit of Hope; not fear*, 2015

Recognition and Honors

- **Commendations**, WSBA *Pro Bono Publico* Service Award, 2004 - Present
- **Honor Corp Allied Attorney**, Alliance Defending Freedom, Scottsdale, Arizona, 2007 - Present
- **Promotion** to Tenured Associate Professor, by Board of Directors, Northwest University, Fall 2020
- **Honorary Doctorate(s)**, Restore Leadership Academy, Gulu, Uganda, 2010 and 2017
- **Honor – Director, Board of Directors**, Air Serv International, 2011-2016 (3 terms/limit)
- **Honor - Champion of Religious Freedom**, Alliance Defending Freedom, 2011
- **Award of Excellence Nominee**, Washington Law & Politics (Butch Blum), 2005
- **Honor – Director, Board of Directors**, Lutheran Alliance to Create Housing, 2001 - 2007 (2 terms/limit)
- **Member**, National Litigation Academy, 2003
- **Certificate**, National Institute for Trial Advocacy (NITA), 1991
- **Certificate**, Federal Publications, Concentrated Course in Construction Contracts, 1990

Professionally Related Community Activities

- **Volunteer**, Union Gospel Mission, Open Door Legal Services, 2004 - Present
- **Volunteer**, Washington State Bar Association, *Pro Bono Publico* Service, 2004 - Present
- **Facilitator**, Paradox Presentations, 2004 - Present
- **Volunteer**, Honor Corp Allied Attorney, Alliance Defending Freedom, 2003 - Present

- **Facilitator**, Washington Student Leadership, 2006 - 2014
- **Volunteer Chaplain**, King County Correctional Facility, 2011 - 2012
- **Community Advisor**, National Christian Foundation, Seattle, 2012 - 2013
- **Volunteer**, King County Bar Association, Neighborhood Legal Clinics, 2004 - 2009