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Lisa Jordan is the Director of the Tulane Environmental Law Clinic. She has twenty years of experience educating Tulane Law students in the representation of clients in environmental matters. Her expertise includes matters involving environmental justice, air pollution, water pollution, wetlands protection, solid and hazardous waste pollution, endangered species, coastal permitting, and state and federal public records and open meetings laws. The Clinic and its students advocate for clients before federal and state agencies as well as local political subdivisions, and litigate in Louisiana federal and state courts.

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

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| Panelist, The 19th News (invited) <i>Topic: Building Healthy Communities: Climate Conversations</i> | July 2024 |
| Panelist, Environmental Law Institute (invited) <i>Topic: Title VI as a Tool for Advancing Environmental Justice</i> | Jan. 2024 |
| Panelist, Environmental Law Institute (invited) <i>Topic: Community Lawyering for Environmental Justice Part 4: Working with Non-Legal Experts</i> | Dec. 2022 |
| Panelist, Loyola University College of Law (invited) <i>Topic: Environmental Justice in the American South: Advancing Climate Solutions through Racial Equity</i> | April 2022 |
| Panelist, Tulane Institute on Water Resources Law & Policy (invited) <i>Topic: Save Ourselves, Then and Now: Revisiting Louisiana's Public Trust Doctrine</i> | Nov. 2021 |
| Panelist, Environmental Law Institute (invited) <i>Topic: The role of legal clinics in environmental judicial processes</i> | October 2021 |
| Panelist, GRITS (Getting Radical in the South) Conference (invited) <i>Topic: Environmental Justice in the American South</i> | February 2021 |
| Panelist, Southern Clinical Conference <i>Topic: Engaging with the Media: Priorities & Pitfalls among Clinical Practice Fields</i> | Sept. 2019 |
| Speaker, EPA Clean Air Act Training for Communities and other Stakeholders (invited) <i>Topic: Overview of Title V, PSD and Public Comment Process</i> | Aug. 2019 |

EXPERIENCE

TULANE ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CLINIC

New Orleans, LA

Director

July 2017-Present

Clinical Professor of Law Professor of the Practice

May 2022-Present
July 2017-April 2022

Direct the Tulane Environmental Law Clinic, including budgeting, fundraising, managing caseload, supervising attorneys and staff, and producing reports on activities.

Teach the Environmental Law Clinic course.

Deputy Director

January 2014-June 2017

Maintain duties as Supervising Attorney (see below) and, additionally, share oversight responsibility with Clinic Director over Clinic resources, cases and clients, as well as supervision of the three Clinic supervising attorneys. Hire and oversee Clinic's summer research assistants.

Acting Director

July 2013-December 2013

Responsible for teaching Environmental Law Clinic class and for operation of Clinic as a law firm, including supervision of student attorneys, three supervising attorneys, and staff members. Oversight over all Clinic cases and clients.

Supervising Attorney

Fall 2006-Present
Spring 2005-Summer 2005
January 1996-May 1998

Instruct student attorneys in oral and written advocacy in cases involving various issues of environmental law, including air pollution, water pollution, wetlands law, energy law, endangered species law, and administrative law. Responsible for oversight of cases, including all pleadings filed and proceedings in court and/or before administrative bodies in federal, state, and local venues.

Visiting Professor of Law; Acting Director

July 1999-May 2000

Responsible for teaching Environmental Law Clinic class and for operation of Clinic as a law firm, including supervision of 27 student attorneys, 3 supervising attorneys, and staff members. Oversight over all Clinic cases and clients.

OFFICE OF THE ORLEANS PARISH DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Assistant District Attorney

1991- 1995

Prosecution of over 75 felony jury trials, including homicides and other violent offenses. Appointment to Violent Offender Strike Force; a specialized unit of attorneys handling the offenders deemed most dangerous to the community.

EDUCATION

Tulane Law School

LL.M. With Distinction in Environmental Law May 1991

Loyola University of New Orleans Law School

Juris Doctorate May 1990

Louisiana State University

Bachelor of Science, Pre-Med/Zoology May 1985

HONORS

Member, National Environmental Justice Advisory Council Nov. 2023-Present

Runner-Up (as a team) for National Law Journal's Lawyer of the Year 1998

COMMUNITY SERVICE

CourtWatch NOLA

Founding Board Member 2007-2017

Advisory Board Member 2017-Present