

Carrie Fox - Office Manager

Carrie joined the firm in 1998, starting out as a receptionist/backup legal secretary. She quickly advanced at S&D, taking on additional secretarial and firm responsibilities. She has seen the firm through two relocations, several expansions, and a 70% increase in staff since 2000. In 2005, she accepted her current management position. She handles all the administrative functions for the firm.

In 2008, Carrie was honored by the Wisconsin Law Journal as an "Unsung Hero," a program which recognizes legal staff for their indispensable support and expertise. Carrie was nominated by Art Simpson who wrote, "She has helped us through start-up and growth phases. She does all the difficult things and lets lawyers be lawyers. She worked until 8 p.m. on July 3 to get our bills done . . . very patriotic. She handles everything from personnel to payroll to temperamental computers, all with great patience and style."

Carrie holds a B.S. in Government: Pre-Law Concentration from Liberty University. Carrie is a member of the Association of Legal Administrators and the Wisconsin Chapter of ALA (WALA). Carrie served on the WALA Board of Directors from 2007 to 2010. In her spare time, Carrie enjoys the shooting sports, Irish set dancing, and spending time with family. Please contact Carrie at fox@simpsondeardorff.com.

Tracy Tiegs - Legal Assistant

Tracy has been with S&D since 2004. She handles work for Tom Binder, Christine Rice and Matthew Van Keulen. Tracy has taken an active role in developing and improving many of our firm processes, and assists with training new staff members as well. She has a wealth of knowledge and expertise highly valuable to new support staff and attorneys alike. In 2009, Tracy was honored by the Wisconsin Law Journal in their "Unsung Heroes" program. Tracy was nominated by Christine Rice who wrote, "She learned the ropes assisting Arthur Simpson through many trials and high-profile cases. We were fortunate Mr. Simpson had the foresight to allow Tracy to move on to work with Attorney Michelle Johnson and me, which proved invaluable. Her knowledge and expertise has helped both of us perform at our best." Tracy has a Bachelor's degree in Business from the University of Wisconsin Whitewater. You may contact Tracy at tiegs@simpsondeardorff.com.

Kelly Hogle - Legal Assistant

Kelly joined the firm in 2006 and handles work for Stu Deardorff and Julie Vaughn. Before moving into the legal field, Kelly held administrative support positions within a financial services company and a commercial realty company. Her expertise in office processes and strong interpersonal skills prepared her well for our busy firm. Kelly holds a B.A. from the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, with a double major in Theatre and Spanish. Kelly is the proud Team Captain of the firm's team participating in the annual Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, Jean's Team. (Click the Susan G. Komen link to the left for more information!) She also enjoys recording music with her husband, Tim, for the Intercontinental Music Lab and traveling to visit family and friends in Cambridge, England. Please contact Kelly at hogle@simpsondeardorff.com.

Kristy Frew - Legal Assistant

Kristy joined S&D in December 2007. She handles work for Art Simpson. Kristy came well-prepared for Art's high-profile case work, having spent several years in executive level administrative support positions. Her legal experience includes working at her father's law firm, back home in Michigan. Kristy received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology and Spanish from Taylor University. In her free time, Kristy enjoys spending time with family, reading a good book on a snowy day (good thing she lives in Wisconsin!), and taking road trips to see new places. If Kristy can help you, please email her at frew@simpsondeardorff.com.

Colette Broadway - Legal Assistant

Colette recently joined S&D in 2010. She comes to the firm with many years of legal experience. Colette earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science at the University of Wisconsin Parkside and has her Paralegal Certificate from Carthage College. She handles work for Michelle Johnson, Jenny Yuan, and Alex Grimley. She is also a member of the National Association of Legal Assistants. When she is not at work, Colette enjoys sewing, reading, jogging, playing piano, and spending time with her husband and two children fishing and doing other activities. You can reach Colette at broadway@simpsondeardorff.com

Shane Smith - Legal Assistant

Shane started at S&D in June 2009. She is a part time legal assistant, providing much-needed overall support to the entire staff. She also oversees our file management systems for closed files and reference materials. Shane holds a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics and Marketing from the University of Illinois. She spent several years running the Geology Department at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois where, in 1998, she was nominated as "Employee of the Year" by the Department Chair. In recent years Shane has held managerial positions within financial services and interior design/architectural firms. Her diverse experience and intuitive working style have made Shane an excellent fit for our team. In Shane's free time, she enjoys playing tennis and squash, and jogging regularly. She also is an accomplished harpist and pianist. Please contact Shane at smith@simpsondeardorff.com.

Lisa Gatewood - Receptionist/Administrative Assistant

Lisa joined S&D in August 2011. Aside from her reception duties, Lisa supports the Office Manager in client billing, A/R, A/P, and additional administrative functions as needed. Lisa is a graduate of UW-Milwaukee's Theatre Arts program and has spent many years working as an Arts Administrator in Milwaukee. Although her background is in arts management, Lisa prepared early for her move into law by attending several Bring-Your-Daughter-to-Work days at Quarles & Brady as a child. In her spare time, Lisa is a singer/songwriter and enjoys spending time in her Bay View community, eating sushi and playing pinball with her sweetheart. You can reach Lisa at gatewood@simpsondeardorff.com.

In Memoriam: Jean M. Olson, 11/14/62 – 10/2/10

We are deeply saddened by the recent loss of our receptionist and friend, Jean Olson. She was an employee whose devotion to her job and her coworkers knew no bounds. She always had a smile on her face and true compassion for everyone around her. Her absence is profoundly felt by all who knew and worked with her. We will cherish all our memories of her. The Olson family is forever in our thoughts.

Jean was with S&D from June 2008 through September 2010, shortly before her passing. Given her unwavering dedication while battling cancer, in early 2010 the firm nominated Jean as an "Unsung Hero" in the Wisconsin Law Journal's annual program. Jean was chosen as a finalist and then honored posthumously.

Join Jean's Team as we walk this year in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in Jean's honor.