

FORM RESUME for ACREL NOMINEES

NOTE TO NOMINATORS: This is the required format for Resumes.

There is no expectation that a nominee will have information in every category.

Skip categories of information that do not apply.

CANDIDATE NAME: Vanessa H. Sharpe

WORK ADDRESS

First American Title Insurance Company of LA
935 Gravier St., Ste. 2100
New Orleans, LA 70112

HOME ADDRESS

508 Aurora Avenue
Metairie, LA 70005

DESCRIPTION OF CURRENT PRACTICE:

Regional Underwriting Director and Area Underwriting Counsel for First American

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

JD: Loyola University New Orleans, College of Law, graduated May 2011. I was a student practitioner for Stuart H. Law Clinic and VP of Marketing for Real Estate Law Society. I also served as a mentor for Student Bar Association Mentoring Program 2009 & 2010.

Bachelor of Business Administration: Loyola University New Orleans, graduated May 2008. I was a Dean's List recipient, member of Delta Sigma Pi, and recipient of an academic scholarship and Loyola University New Orleans grant

BAR MEMBERSHIPS AND DATES

Louisiana State Bar – admitted December 2011

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Regional Underwriting Director at First American Title Insurance Co.	Feb. 2023 – Present
Area Underwriting Counsel at First American Title Insurance Co.	May 2021 – Present
Underwriting Counsel at First American Title Insurance Co.	April 2017 – Present
Associate Underwriting Counsel at First American Title Insurance Co.	Mar. 2016 – Ap. 2017

- Serve as a liaison between Corporate Underwriting and the Gulf Coast Region for all transactional and non-transactional underwriting.
- Manage underwriting staff for the Gulf Coast Region
- Provide support, counsel and transaction authorization to agent title producers and their company personnel
- Issue underwriting standards and guidelines to agents on company policies and legal issues affecting the practice of real estate law
- Prepare and present continuing education to our agents in the format of underwriting seminars, webinars, and individual agent office teaching
- Keep up to date with state legislation and emerging issues affecting the state real estate and title industry
- Create and maintain relationships with our agents and their company personnel
- Develop and implement corporate initiatives and processes

Contract Attorney at Shapiro and Daigrepoint, LLC

July 2014 – Mar. 2016

Associate Attorney at Shapiro and Daigrepoint, LLC

July 2013 – July 2014

- Reviewed title full title abstracts and updates in preparation for foreclosure and REO resale

- Drafted all necessary pleadings for the curing of title defects before and after foreclosure
- Oversaw title company staff members and manage correspondence with third party vendors
- Executed title insurance policies and title commitments for residential real estate transactions
- Attended code violation hearings representing clients' interests as lien holders

Attorney at Title Stream (formerly Stewart Title of Louisiana)

Aug. 2012 – July 2013

- Conducted real estate closings as title closer for residential full sales and refinances
- Worked with buyers, sellers, and lenders to clear title defects
- Provided legal services regarding power of attorneys, successions, donations and quitclaim deeds
- Calculated and collected title charges, reviewed and collected all documentation necessary to produce insurable title
- Taught Continuing Education courses for real estate agents

THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES MUST BE ADDRESSED IN DETAIL INCLUDING DATES, NAMES OF ORGANIZATIONS AND SUBMISSION OF REPRESENTATIVE MATERIALS:

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

2024:

Louisiana Land Title Association Spring Conference “If We Couldn't Laugh, We Would All Go Insane: Underwriter Panel”

First American Title Louisiana Underwriting Seminars – various sessions on trusts, recent legislation and mechanic's lien risk

ABA/RPTE eCLE Webinar “How to Identify and Resolve Title Defects”

2023:

ABA RPTE “Title Insurance 101: A Primer for Real Estate Agents”

Louisiana Land Title Association Spring Conference “What Keeps us up at Night? Underwriter Panel”

New Orleans Bar Association “Title Insurance 101”

ABA RPTE “Title Insurance 101 – Working with your Surveyor” – moderator

First American Title Louisiana Underwriting Seminars “Hi, It's Me, I'm the Problem it's Me – Refreshers on Problematic Title Issues”

2022:

First American Title Louisiana Underwriting Seminars “Underwriting Mechanic's Liens in Louisiana”

First American Title Louisiana Underwriting Seminars “Underwriting Panel: General Underwriting Principles”

First American Title Gulf Coast Region Webinar Series “Insuring Mortgage Modifications”

First American Title Gulf Coast Region Webinar Series “Search Requirements and Standards”

First American Title Gulf Coast Region Webinar Series “New ALTA 2021 Forms”

2021:

ABA RPTE “Updated ALTA Forms: What's New?”

First American Title Louisiana eLearning Expo “Deletion of Standard Exceptions”

First American Title Louisiana eLearning Expo “2021 ALTA Policy Forms”

Louisiana Banker's Association “Update on New Title Insurance Policy Forms”

New Orleans Bar Association “eSignatures and RON”

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

N/A

BAR ACTIVITIES

member and frequent presenter of the New Orleans Bar Association

PROFESSIONAL RATINGS

N/A

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

See "Speaking Engagements" above. All were for Continuing Education credit for attorneys

COMMUNITY SERVICE
AND PRO BONO ACTIVITIES

N/A

POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

N/A

OTHER MEMBERSHIPS

Board Member & Legislative Committee Member – Louisiana Land Title Association (LLTA)
President – Louisiana Title Statistical Services Organization (LATISSO)
President Elect – New Orleans Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW)
Member – New Orleans Metropolitan Association of Title Attorneys (NOMATA)

HONORS

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

First American:

<https://www.firstam.com/rep/vsharpe/>

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PERSONAL

Born April 15, 1986, in Denver, Colorado. I enjoy traveling, I try to take one destination trip a year, cooking, and spending time with my children. My husband and I try to attend as many concerts as our busy schedules allow.

* WRITTEN MATERIALS

N/A. Materials for all speaking/teaching engagements above are available but would constitute a significant amount of material. Let me know if this would be helpful to the determination here.