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EDUCATION

Cornell University: M.A., 1976; Ph.D., 1987 (Social/Cultural Anthropology)
Harvard University: B.A., 1972 (Social/Cultural Anthropology)
University of Alaska Fairbanks and Kuskokwim College, Bethel, AK (Yup'ik [Yugtun] Language and Linguistics 12 cr.)

EMPLOYMENT

Current:
Morrow and Hensel Consulting

Litigation consulting (selected examples):

2022

Community research on possible trial site (Public Defender Agency)

2021-22

Community analysis and theoretical framing in Senate District Challenges to the Alaska Redistricting Board (attys Holly Wells, Zoe Danner, Eva Gardner)

2021

Expert report (cultural and linguistic analysis) in SOA v. Justine Paul (Office of Public Advocacy)

Expert report (cultural and linguistic analysis) in SOA v. Alek Alexie (OPA)

Community survey analysis in Jane Does 1 & 2 v. Lower Kuskokwim School District (atty Don Austin)

2020

Report prepared on behalf of the Public Defender Agency concerning use of Zoom for Grand Jury in Kotzebue Trial District

Expert report for appeal in SOA v. Teddy Smith (PDA)

2019

Expert report (cultural and sociolinguistic) in Nine Jane Does v. Bering Straits SD (atty Jim Valcarce)

2018

Argumentation and jury research in Sampson v. Alaska Airlines (attys Jim Wilkens, Caryn Jorgensen)

Expert consultation (translation issues, cultural and linguistic) in SOA v. Stephen Eneyuk (attys Gazewood and Weiner)

2017

Consulting expert (cultural setting, trial themes) in Akpik v. Tagiugmiullu Nunamiullu Housing Authority (atty Thomas Weathers)

Anthropological/educational consulting:

Center for Alaska Native Health Research - 2011-2013 Ethics of Dissemination of Genetic Research Results (cultural consulting); 2012-2013 Arctic Youth Resilience Project (facilitate international cross-site meetings; review and co-author ms. for peer-reviewed publications) 2011-12 Develop Fish-to-Schools lessons for Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta and Northwest States Salmon to Schools project

Chugachmiut, Inc. - 2010 Alutiq Language and Culture Curriculum (curriculum design and materials development)

2002-2007

Dean, College of Liberal Arts, University of Alaska Fairbanks

1999-2002

Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts, UAF

1998-1999

Division Head, Languages and Cultures Division, College of Liberal Arts, UAF

1996-1999

Chair, Department of Anthropology, UAF

1994-1995

Visiting Scholar, Departments of Social Anthropology and Scott Polar Research Institute. University of Cambridge, England; Fellow, Pembroke College, University of Cambridge

1987-2007 University of Alaska Fairbanks Faculty - Anthropology, Cross-cultural Communication, Women's Studies

1981-86

Materials developer and teacher trainer - Lower Kuskokwim School District, Bethel, Alaska.

1979-1981

Director, Yugtun Qaneryaramek Calivik (Yup'ik Language Center), Kuskokwim [Community] College.

1978

Field coordinator, UAF Cross-Cultural Education Development Program (X-CED)

1977-86

Instructor, Kuskokwim [Community] College, Bethel, Alaska. Yup'ik Culture and History; Yugtun language courses (grammar, orthography; Yugtun/English translation; transcription of oral narratives; Yugtun as a second language); curriculum and materials design for bilingual/multicultural programs.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Forthcoming (2023)

Morrow, P., C. Jack, M. Murphy, J. Usugan-Weddington. "Uyaqum Igai, an Indigenous Yugtun Writing System: What Was and What Might Have Been," In *Exploring and Expanding Literacy*

Histories of the United States: A Spotlight on Under-Recognized Histories. (DeJulio, S., L. Durán, eds.) Routledge.

2015

Ulturgasheva, O., S. Rasmus, P. Morrow. "Collapsing the distance: Indigenous-Youth Engagement in a Circumpolar Study of Youth Resilience." *Arctic Anthropology*, 52(1).

2011

Morrow, P. *Nature Morte*. *The Midwest Quarterly: A Journal of Contemporary Thought*, Winter 2011, Vol LII, no.2. Pittsburgh State University.

2009

Robinson, M.A., P. Morrow, D. Northway. "Gender, Knowledge, and Environmental Change Regarding Humpback Whitefish in Interior Alaska," In *Gender, Culture and Northern Fisheries*. (J. Kafarowski, ed.), Canadian Circumpolar Institute Press Occasional Publication, no. 62.

2004

Morrow, P. *Communities of Memory* (editor; author of three chapters) *Anthropological Papers of the University of Alaska*, Vol. 3, No.1.

2002

Morrow, P. "'With Stories We Make Sense of Who We Are': Narratives and Northern Communities." In *The Power of Traditions: Identities, Politics, and Social Sciences*. *Topics in Arctic Social Sciences* 4. Quebec City, Canada: International Arctic Social Sciences Association.

Morrow, P. "A Woman's Vapor: Yup'ik Bodily Powers in Southwest Alaska" *Ethnology* 41(1).

2001

Mather, E., P. Morrow "There Are No More Words to the Story" in *Native American Oral Traditions: Collaboration and Interpretation*. Larry Evers and Barre Toelken, eds. Logan, Utah: Utah State University Press.

Brown, C., P. Morrow "'A Resource Most Vital: Legal Interventions in Native Child Welfare" *The Northern Review*, Number 23, Summer 2001.

R. Kandel, Griffiths, A., Rieger, L., Morrow, P., Brown, C. "Between Need and Desire: Children's Voices in Legal Proceedings Concerning Them". *Proceedings of the Symposium on Child Research into the 21st Century*. Carleton University/University of Ottawa.

P. Morrow, "Current Issues in Legal Interpreting and Translating" - *Alaska Justice Forum* Vol. 17, No. 3.

1998

P. Morrow, "Co-Management and Co-optation: Alaska Native Participation in Regulatory Processes" *Cultural Survival Quarterly* Vol 22, Issue 3.

1996

P. Morrow, "Yupik Agents and American Legal Agencies: Perspectives on Compliance and Resistance" *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute*, Vol. 2, No. 3

P. Morrow, Pete, M.C. "Cultural Adoption on Trial: Cases from Southwestern Alaska." *Law and Anthropology* 8.

1995

P. Morrow, Schneider, W. (eds) *When Our Words Return: Hearing, Writing and Remembering Oral Traditions of Alaska and the Yukon*. Logan UT: Utah State University Press.

1994

P. Morrow "Legal Interpreting in Alaska" Alaska Justice Forum Vol 10, No. 4.

1993

P. Morrow "A Sociolinguistic Mismatch: Central Alaskan Yupiks and the Legal System," Alaska Justice Forum Vol. 10, No. 2

1992

P. Morrow "A Place to be Made to Talk: Culture and Communication in the Courtroom," Arctic Research of the United States. Washington, D. C.: National Science Foundation.

P. Morrow "Symbolic Actions, Indirect Expressions: Limits to the Interpretation of Yup'ik Eskimo Society" Etudes/Inuit Studies, special edition Gender, Symbolism and Hunting.

P. Morrow, Hensel, C. "Hidden Dissension: The Linguistic Negotiation of Minority-Majority Relationships." Arctic Anthropology Vol. 29, no. 1.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

2007

"Keeping Culture in Mind: Working in Alaska Native Settings" 2007 Alaska District Attorneys/ Victim Witness Paralegals Conference: "Reaching a Fair Resolution in Domestic Violence Cases."

2002

"Law and Native American Communities" session chair, American Anthropological Association and presentation "When They Talk, I Know What Kind of Person They Are: How Local Conceptions of Community Shape Resource Management Negotiations."

International Congress of Arctic Social Sciences Keynote Address, Quebec, Canada "With Stories We Make Sense of Who We Are: Narratives and Northern Communities."

"Anthropological Consulting in the Alaskan Legal System," paper presented at the Alaska Anthropological Association Annual Meetings, Fairbanks, Alaska

2000

"Interpreting and Translating in Alaska's Legal System", Alaska Bar Association Continuing Legal Education - panel presentation

Alaska State Supreme Court Language and Culture Subcommittee - Invited testimony and contribution to report

Mutual Understanding: Translating and Interpreting in Alaska's Legal System (Alaska Bar Association Continuing Legal Education Panel)

1999

"Interviewing Alaska Native Clients and Witnesses," Alaska Bar Association Continuing Legal Education Workshop, Fairbanks, Alaska.

1998

"Thank God It's A Woman and She Isn't Saying a Word," paper presented in session "Communities of Memory," American Folklore Society, Portland, Oregon.

Cultural aspects of Alaska Native/ Justice System interactions - Rural Human Services guest presentation

1997

Interviewing in Cross-cultural Contexts: Alaska Investigators Association

“Cross-cultural Issues in Resource Management,” Alaska Region Resource Management Conference, National Park Service

“Cultural Bias in Criminal Law” Alaska Bar Association Continuing Legal Education.

1996

Co-chaired and presented a paper in an Invited Session (American Anthropological Association Political and Legal Anthropology Division), “Judging Culture in the Courtroom”

Co-organized and acted as discussant for session “Opening the Door: Dialogue Between Anthropologists and Alaska Natives” Alaska Anthropological Association Meetings

1995

“A Place to be Made to Talk: Yup’ik Eskimo Agents and American Legal Agencies” Senior Seminar for the Department of Social Anthropology, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, England

“Schooling and Alaskan Inuit: Challenges of Multicultural Education” Scott Polar Research Institute Lecture Series, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, England

1994

Obtained funding, organized, and hosted five international speakers for a UAF/public series on recognizing and preventing racism, prejudice, and discrimination: “Human Kind, Human UnKind”; this included public displays of exhibits on Anne Frank, on the rescue of Danish Jews, and a variety of community-based events.

1993

Discussant for a session on Arctic research sponsored by National Science Foundation, American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings, Washington, D.C.

Organizing Committee for “Northern Women, Northern Lives” Conference

“Cross-cultural Issues in Investigating and Prosecuting Sexual Assault Crimes” for Alaska Network on Domestic Violence

1992

“Trials and Tribulations: Cross-cultural Issues in Language and the Law. American Anthropological Association Meetings, Chicago, IL

1991a

Court Procedures and Communications (12-hour workshop for inmates at Yukon-Kuskokwim Correctional Center.)

Alaska Native Women and Communications - Alaska Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Training Workshop

Communication Issues in the Bethel Trial Courts - Workshop for Judge and Lawyers

1990

Session Moderator: Special Self-Government Initiatives. Paper Presented: “Cultural Adoption on Trial: Cases from Southwestern Alaska” in Session on Specific Justice Initiatives. Vth International Symposium of the Commission on Folk Law and Indigenous Pluralism, International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences.

Chair, Education and Language Policies Affecting Hunting and Gathering Peoples. Vth International Conference on Hunting and Gathering Societies.

Chair, "Institutional Codes: The Linguistic Negotiation of Relationships in Bureaucratic Settings." Paper Presented: "Hidden Dissension: Some Effects of Culturally-Conflicting Language Use." American Anthropological Association.

1989

"Redressing Past Wounds: Collaboration and Culturally-Sensitive Topics" Society for Applied Anthropology

"Multicultural Classrooms at the University of Alaska"

"Facilitating Library Reference Services for Alaska Natives"

"Cross-Cultural Communications for Crisis Line Volunteers"

"Cross-Cultural Communications for Fairbanks Resource Agency Employees"

LANGUAGES

Yugtun - formal coursework (linguistic) and immersion learning (conversational)

French - conversational and reading fluency

Spanish - conversational comprehension, reading ability

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY

Facilitator/Instructor, Women's Writing Workshop, Fairbanks Correctional Center (since 2016)