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Ms. Bateman spent the majority of her professional career working as a research attorney at the Louisiana Court of Appeal and the Michigan Supreme Court. While at the courts she worked on a wide variety of criminal and civil cases. One of her favorites was the seven years of appeals from Dr. Jack Kevorkian (“Dr. Death”).

In July of 2012 Ms. Bateman took a leap of faith and began working as the executive director of the Central Louisiana Interfaith Immigration Center (CLIIC). CLIIC, founded in 2009 in partnership with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Alexandria, the Episcopal Diocese of Western Louisiana, the Louisiana Conference of the United Methodist Church and Northern and Central Louisiana Interfaith, is a collaborative effort serving individuals of all races, creeds, ethnic, religious, and geographic backgrounds. Its mission is to welcome immigrants into our communities by providing affordable, high-quality immigration legal services, education and advocacy.