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Education

Charlotte School of Law, Charlotte, NC

Juris Doctor, May 2012

Business Associations, Spring 2012

CALI Award, Law and Economics, Spring 2012

Scholarship, North Carolina Association of Women Attorneys 2011 – 2012

Women in Law, President 2010 – 2011; Vice-President 2009 – 2010

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

Bachelor of Arts, Double-Major: Government and Philosophy, May 2009

Legal Experience

2016 – Present

Associate, Kalbaugh, Pfund & Messersmith, P.C., Richmond, VA

Assist in civil litigation practice researching and drafting motions on a wide array of procedural and substantive legal matters. Subject matters of legal issues include premises liability, products liability, retail and merchandising safety, construction defect, indemnification disputes, and insurance coverage defense.

2013 – 2016

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney, Commonwealth Attorney's Office, Danville, VA

Prosecuted thousands of cases in all three courts, specializing in violent crimes, including felonies ranging from murder, armed robbery, abduction, strangulation, sexual assaults involving minors, distribution of narcotics and gang activity. Negotiated plea agreements, prepared witnesses for trial, and wrote appellate briefs. Served as the supervising attorney over both District Courts before being promoted to the supervising assistant of Circuit Court. Coordinated the scheduling of trials, distributed dockets and oversaw day-to-day operations.

Jan – March 2013

Attorney, Fellowship, Blue Ridge Legal Services, Roanoke, VA

Provided legal advice to clients who cannot afford legal representation on a wide range of issues. Procured no-fault divorces, filed Chapter 7 Bankruptcies and handled landlord-tenant disputes.

Summer 2011

Legal Intern, 3rd Year Practice Certified, Commonwealth Attorney's Office, Salem, VA

Prosecuted felony and misdemeanor criminal cases, prepared witnesses for trial, drafted and presented plea agreements to the court, and prepared sentencing guidelines.

Summer 2009,2010

Summer Associate, Spilman Thomas and Battle, Roanoke, VA

Worked on civil case preparation involving Bankruptcy, Insurance and Commercial Real Estate. Assisted with litigation preparation through deposition review, research and preparation of legal memoranda. Analyzed and prepared financial overviews for litigation. Assisted with foreclosure auctions.

▲ Bar Memberships

Virginia, 2012

United State District Court, Western District of Virginia, 2017

▲ Professional Affiliations

Virginia Bar Association

Roanoke County Bar Association

Claims & Litigation Management Alliance