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EDUCATION

Marquette University Law School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Juris Doctor, May 2017

Awards: Thomas More Law Scholarship, Herbert C. Hirschboeck Law Scholarship

Leadership: *Vice President*, Marquette Immigration Law Association

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Bachelor of Arts in History and Political Science, May 2014

Leadership: *President*, Student Association of UWM
Board Member, United Council of UW Students
Executive Board Member, UW System Representatives Council

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Wisconsin State Public Defender – Racine Trial Division, Racine, Wisconsin

Assistant State Public Defender, August 2017 through present

- Represent indigent criminal defendants, juveniles, and subjects of mental health commitment hearings in various cases. Participate in preliminary hearings, plea and sentencing hearings, motion hearings, and all other courtroom activity required by my representation of a client. Research, write, and litigate motions pertaining to cases I am appointed on.

Wisconsin State Public Defender – Milwaukee Trial Division, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Student Practitioner, September 2016 through May 2017

- Appeared on record before the court. Participated in status conferences, mental competency hearings, preliminary hearings, and various other courtroom activities. Researched criminal law matters. Drafted motions for review by supervising attorney. Met with clients to discuss case details.

Milwaukee County, Economic Development Division, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Legal Intern, May 2016 through July 2016

- Researched and wrote projects on issues including county property assessments, Tax Incremental District (TID) implementation, and contractual county development projects. Collaborated with lawyers from the Corporation Counsel office on personnel review board adjudications.

Milwaukee County Corporation Counsel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Legal Intern, January 2016 through April 2016

- Drafted briefs and conducted corresponding statutory research. Served as a conduit for inter-governmental communication, including with various State departments. Contributed to issues related to employment, real estate, economic development, and mental health laws.

Judge William Brash, Milwaukee County Court System, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Legal Intern, General Felony, May 2015 through September 2015

- Researched legal matters pertaining to ongoing felony cases and applied analysis and recommendations in bench memorandums.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Office of the Milwaukee County Executive, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Intern, May 2013 through September 2013

- Researched county issues and constituent outreach. Drafted commendations and letters to county residents at the behest of the County Executive. Contributed to building an online archive of the county budget.

City of Milwaukee Common Council, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Legislative Services Aide to Alderman Jim Bohl, January 2012 through October 2012

- Served as liaison between constituents and city departments. Researched legislative issues.