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BAR ADMISSIONS

New York (2009)
New Jersey (2008)

EDUCATION

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW, Syracuse, New York
J.D., *cum laude*, May 2008
GPA 3.3

- *Syracuse Law Review*, Managing Editor 2007-2008
- Teaching Assistant, First Year Legal Communication and Research Course, 2007-2008

VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY, Villanova, PA
B.A. English, Honors Program Concentration, *magna cum laude*, May 2002
Business Minor, Villanova College of Commerce & Finance
GPA 3.75

- Villanova Writing Center, Writing Counselor, September 1999-May 2002

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW
Professor of Practice and Faculty Director of Externships

Syracuse, New York
January 2023 - Present

- Teach legal writing courses, including Transactional Drafting, and Advanced Litigation Skills.
- Serve as Faculty Director of the Externship Program, teaching externship seminars within the JDR and JDI programs.
- Direct the Pro Bono Scholars Program and promote pro bono programs, generally.

Adjunct Professor, JD Residential Program & JD Interactive Program

January 2019 - December 2022

- Adjunct Professor, JD Residential Program
 - Legal Communication and Research II, Spring 2019
 - Transactional Drafting (formerly LCR III) - Spring 2020; Fall 2020; Spring 2021; Fall 2021; Spring 2022; Summer 2022; and scheduled for Fall and Spring 2022-2023.
 - Advanced Litigation Skills, scheduled for Fall 2022
- Adjunct Professor, JD Interactive Program
 - Legal Communication and Research II, Fall 2019, Summer 2020, and Summer 2022
 - Transactional Drafting (formerly LCR III), Summer 2022.

Director, CNY Externship Program and Family Law and Elder Law Practicum

August 2021 – Present

- Oversee enrolled students Fall, Spring and Summer terms while engaged in the externship program within Central New York, whether working in-person or remotely.
- Advise prospective students year-round with respect to the externship program and placement opportunities.
- Concurrently, teach a one-credit seminar for enrolled students.

Director, Pro Bono Scholars Program

August 2021 - Present

- Lead information sessions, advise prospective students, and review student applications for admission in the Spring term.
- Upon admission, advise students in choosing placements and ensure mandatory requirements are met for program and bar eligibility during Fall semester.
- Teach a one-credit seminar to those enrolled during Spring semester.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

WILLIAM MATTAR LAW OFFICES

Syracuse, NY

Attorney

August 2020 – Present

- Managing Attorney for the Syracuse office of a personal injury firm based in Buffalo, NY.
- Handle all personal injury pre-litigation and litigation files from intake to resolution in the Syracuse region.
- Lead attorney training for newly admitted attorneys in Syracuse office.

CATALANO LAW

Syracuse, NY

Attorney

November 2019- July 2020

- Engaged in marketing and launching start-up personal injury practice.
- Managed all aspects of numerous personal injury matters, from intake through settlement, suit or closure.

ALEXANDER & CATALANO, LLC

East Syracuse, NY

Attorney

November 2015 – October 2019

- Managed all aspects of numerous personal injury matters, from intake through settlement, suit or closure.

BARCLAY DAMON LLP

Syracuse, NY

Associate, Torts and Products Liability; Professional Liability; Insurance Coverage

February 2014 – November 2015

- Managed numerous litigated and pre-suit files, primarily insurance defense matters.
- Originated various litigation, insurance and tax matters handled by their respective departments.

COSTELLO, COONEY, & FEARON PLLC

Syracuse, NY

Associate, Litigation

March 2010 – February 2014

- Assisted in working and managing numerous litigation files, primarily insurance defense matters.
- Revised numerous vendor contracts for health care clients to account for recent changes in health care laws and regulations and worked with both clients and vendors' counsel to facilitate agreements. Attended American Health Lawyers Association November 2011 program, "The Fundamentals of Health Law," in Chicago, IL.

MCCARTER & ENGLISH, LLP

New York, NY

Associate, Corporate, Securities and Financial Institutions

September 2008 – February 2010

- Extensive corporate experience including drafting ancillary documents to corporate agreements; assisting in closing deals and restructurings; proposing SBIC regulatory work; and researching corporate and real estate issues.

Summer Associate, Corporate, Securities and Financial Institutions

May 2007-August 2007

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

Rochester, NY

Extern for the Academic Year in Civil and Criminal Practice

August 2006-May 2007

- Drafted portions of an appellate brief for *Hamm v. U.S.*, 2007 WL 1087265; and appeared at a plea agreement hearing.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

Utica, NY

Law Clerk Extern for the Honorable David N. Hurd

May 2006-August 2006

- Drafted memoranda for decisions and orders in civil litigation matters; and attended conferences with Judge Hurd.

DECHERT LLP

Princeton, NJ

Securities Litigation Paralegal

December 2003-August 2005

- Sole paralegal at securities litigation arbitration in Los Angeles, CA; conducted privilege reviews; assisted with depositions.

MONTGOMERY, MCCrackEN, WALKER & RHOADS, LLP

Philadelphia, PA

Litigation Paralegal

September 2002-December 2003

- Assisted in document productions for products liability matters; and volunteered in gubernatorial and mayoral campaigns.

KPMG LLP

Philadelphia, PA

Marketing Research Intern

January 2001-June 2001

- Drafted seminar invitations and firm brochures to promote KPMG'S Business Consulting and Risk Consulting practices.

PUBLICATIONS

Tax Benefits for Education, featured in *The Tax Adviser*, 464-470, July 2010, co-authored with John D. Zook, CPA/PFS, MBA.

U.S. Perspectives on E-Commerce Transactions, Int'l Sales: Newsl. Int'l Bar Ass'n Legal Practice Division (Int'l Bar Ass'n, London, U.K.), Sept. 2009, at 10-12, co-authored with Robert S. Bernstein.

Kristin L. Zook, *A Not-So-Crummey Way to Avoid Taxes: A Congressional Call for Action to Facilitate the Annual Exclusion and Avoid Abuse of the Present Interest Requirement*, 58 SYRACUSE L. REV. 583, 583-611 (2008).

- Review and Comment, *Trusts and Estates Magazine*, by Weil Gotshal attorney, February 2009
- Reprinted, *The Monthly Digest of Tax Articles*, August 2008

BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND OTHER SERVICE

- Feinman Fellowship Committee, Syracuse University College of Law, Committee Member, 2021-2022; 2022-2023
- National Disability Law Appellate Competition, Advocacy Honor Society, Syracuse University College of Law, Judge, Spring 2022; Spring 2023
- Entertainment and Sports Law Negotiation Competition, Advocacy Honor Society, Syracuse University College of Law, Judge, Spring 2022
- Meals On-Wheels Inc., Camillus, New York, Board Member, February 2013 – May 2016; Officer Sept. 2014 – May 2016

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- American Bar Association, Attorney Member, 2008-Present
- New York State Bar Association, Attorney Member, 2008-Present
- Onondaga County Bar Association, Attorney Member, Spring 2010-Present
- New Jersey State Bar Association, Attorney Member, 2012 – Present