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Education

Boston College Law School, Newton, MA 2004 – 2007

Juris Doctor.

Activities and Honors: Mock Trial Competition, Participant (Fall 2006); Proskauer Rose summer stipend for public service, Recipient (Summer 2006); Lambda, Treasurer (2005-2006); Holocaust and Human Rights Project, Treasurer (2005-2006); International Law Society, Representative (2004-2005); Negotiation Competition, Participant (Fall 2004).

Bradford University, Bradford, England 2000 – 2002

Master's degree in modern European history; Student Liaison to department.

St. Louis University, St. Louis, MO 1993 – 1998

Bachelor of Arts, *cum laude*, in English literature and history. Dean's List.

Bar Admissions

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, active status 2008 – Present

Experience

Carney & Bassil, P.C., Boston, MA 2007 – Present

Attorney

Represent criminal defendants at all stages of prosecution, including pre-trial, trial, appellate, and sentencing.

Hon. Warren M. Silver, Associate Justice, State of Maine Supreme Judicial Court, Bangor, ME 2007 – 2008

Judicial Clerkship

Drafted bench memoranda recommending disposition of pending cases for consideration by all Court justices. Drafted opinions for Justice Silver and revised such opinions at his request. Performed other substantive legal research.

Greater Boston Legal Services, Boston, MA Summer 2006 – Present

Student Attorney

Appeared in court to obtain restraining order for client and settle visitation and child support issues, otherwise appeared in court, drafted pleadings and performed other activities associated with client's legal matter.

ACLU of Massachusetts, Boston, MA Summer 2006

Legal Intern

Drafted memoranda of law on privacy, free speech, religious exemptions, and other issues. Met with clients and potential clients to assess their needs. Observed and reported on press conferences and political demonstrations.

Suffolk County District Attorney's Office, Boston, MA Fall 2005

Student Intern

Researched and briefed attorneys on nationwide gun laws and numerous aspects of criminal law. Analyzed grand jury testimony.

Boston College Legal Assistance Bureau, Waltham, MA Summer 2005, Winter 2005 – 2006

Student Intern

Represented low income clients in all aspects of family, housing, and social security actions. Drafted briefs, memoranda of law, and pleadings, appeared in court with supervising attorney.

Chicago Bar Association, Chicago, IL 2003 – 2004

Client Interviewer, Lawyer Referral Service

Interviewed clients, assessed legal needs, and referred them to appropriate legal representation. Advocated on behalf of low income clients to secure for them pro bono representation.

Heartland Alliance, Chicago, IL 2002 – 2004

Legal Researcher/Clients' Rights Facilitator, Midwest Immigrant and Human Rights Center

Researched conditions in clients' home countries to assist political asylum claims. Worked directly with child immigrants held in INS detention facilities to ensure their legal rights.

Cabrini Green Legal Aid Clinic, Chicago, IL 2003 – 2004

Volunteer

Worked directly with clients, drafted memoranda of law, assisted staff attorney in trial preparation, and assisted in client selection.

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- DePaul University School of Law**, Chicago, IL 2004
Research Fellow, International Human Rights Law Institute
Researched political, social, and economic relationship between Haiti and Dominican Republic.
- United States Department of Labor**, Chicago, IL 2001 – 2002
Labor Investigator, Department of Labor-Management Standards
Conducted financial audits and embezzlement and election violations investigations in labor unions.
- Peace Corps Latvia**, Adazi/Valmiera, Latvia 1998 – 2000
Secondary School Teacher of English, U.S. History, and Latin. New Volunteer Trainer for Latvian Language and Culture.

Publications/Writings

- **“The Fourth Amendment’s Applicability to Residents of Homeless Shelters.”** *Hamline Law Review*, Forthcoming 2009.
- **“Creating Sex Offender Registries: The Religious Right and the Failure to Protect Society’s Vulnerable.”** *American Journal of Criminal Law*, Forthcoming 2008.
- **“Toward a New Confessions Test: Replacing Voluntariness with Power.”** *International Journal of Punishment and Sentencing*, Vol. III, Issue 2, 2007.
- **“Dehumanization and Re-Creation: A Lacanian Interpretation of the Federal Sentencing Guidelines.”** *Dartmouth Law Journal*, Vol. IV, Issue 3, Fall 2006 (available at http://rockefeller.dartmouth.edu/assets/pdf/dculj_F06_morrison.pdf).
- **“Will to Power, Will to Reality, and Racial Profiling: How the White Male Dominant Power Structure Creates Itself as Law Abiding Citizen Through the Creation of Black as Criminal.”** *Northwestern University Journal of Law and Social Policy*, Vol. II, Issue 1, Summer 2007 (available at <http://www.law.northwestern.edu/journals/njls/v2/n1>).
- **“Strange Allies: How a FAIR Victory May be Applied to Future LGBT Rights Cases in Schools.”** honorable mention in *The National Lesbian & Gay Law Association Michael Greenberg Student Writing Competition*, June 2005.
- **“The History and Economy of Latvia.”** *Central and South-Eastern Europe*. Europa Publications: London, 2001 – 2003 annually.
- *Idioms in Latvian*. Editor, by Andrejs Veisbergs, University of Latvia Press: Riga, 1999.

Panels

- Panelist on “Writing for Publication: Student Authors Discuss Their Work,” at Boston College Law School, March 26, 2007.