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Education

Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad Law Center, Davie, Florida Juris Doctorate, *cum laude*, May 2002

Honors: Top 10% of Graduating Class Elected Student Graduation Speaker Editor of *ILSA Journal of International and Comparative Law* Nominee for Student Public Service Award (2000) Nominee for Academic Excellence Award (2000) **University of Rhode Island**, Kingston, Rhode Island

Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies, with honors, May 1998
Minor in Political Science
Honors: Top 15% of Graduating Class President University Debate Team

<u>Affiliations</u>

Member of the Florida Bar since September 2002 Member of the Federal Bars in the Northern and Southern District of Florida

Work History

Billing, Cochran et. al., Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Senior Litigation Associate, 2009-present

Overall file management of complex medical malpractice cases, general liability cases and negligent security cases.

Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center, Davie Florida

Adjunct Professor- Civil Pretrial Practice Winter 2011, Fall 2011

Wicker, Smith, O'Hara, et al., Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Litigation Associate, 2004 – 2009

Active motion practice, hearing and deposition attendance, and overall file management of medical malpractice, product liability and premise liability matters. Provide appellate support, draft appellate briefs, conduct appellate research, prepare responsive filings, and provide appellate guidance during the trial phase of litigation.

Fourth District Court of Appeal, West Palm Beach, Florida

Law Clerk to the former Chief Judge, Mark E. Polen, 2002 – 2004 Determined appellate jurisdiction, researched all legal issues presented to the court on appeal, prepared summary memoranda of law, recommended rulings to the court, and drafted formal opinions.

Krupnick, Campbell, Malone, et al., Fort Lauderdale, Florida *Law Clerk*, 2000-2002

Legal Aid of Broward County, Fort Lauderdale, Florida *Homeless Legal Rights Fellow*, 2000 – 2001

Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center, Davie Florida *Research Assistant to Professor Kathy Cerminara*, 1999-2001 Library assistant and research coordinator for Law Library, 1999-2001

Published Appellate Opinions

Gearhart-Soto v. Delsman, 976 So.2d 1150 (Fla. 4th DCA 2008)

Estate of Orlanis ex rel. Marks v. Oakwood Terrace Skilled Nursing, 971 So.2d 811 (Fla.3d DCA 2007)

Publications

Alternative Dispute Resolution in Cyberspace: There is More On the Line, Than Just Getting "Online," 7 ILSA J. Int'l & Comp. L. 133, 147-48 (2000)

Recognized publishing contributions also made to: Alan Meisel & Kathy Cerminara, The Right to Die (2d ed., Aspen Publishers 2002).

Presentations

Florida Constitution Article X § 25 "Amendment 7"; The Ongoing Struggle Between Privacy Protections and Patients Right to Know - June 2012