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LAW TEACHING AND TRAINING

NORTHWESTERN PRITZKER SCHOOL OF LAW, CHICAGO, IL

Clinical Assistant Professor of Law

Prior Appointment: Visiting Clinical Assistant Professor of Law

Courses: Communication and Legal Reasoning I & II

SIDLEY AUSTIN LLP, CHICAGO, IL

Assignment Advisor

- Instructed summer associates on topics including legal research, drafting memoranda, litigation writing, and transactional drafting and reviewed and provide feedback on draft work product

Training Department Consultant

- Created litigation associate training exercises and supporting commercial litigation case materials

THE JOHN MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW, CHICAGO, IL

Adjunct Professor

Course: Legal Writing for the Intellectual Property Practice

LAW PRACTICE

SIDLEY AUSTIN LLP, CHICAGO, IL

Associate, Intellectual Property Litigation Group

- Argued motions in state and federal court; represented clients in settlement negotiations
- Prepared fact witnesses for depositions; defended and took depositions in patent litigation
- Drafted pleadings, discovery, dispositive motions, motions *in limine*, jury instructions, trial briefs, and settlement agreements for trademark, patent, copyright, and false advertising lawsuits
- Prosecuted trademark registration before United States Patent and Trademark Office

EDUCATION

NORTHWESTERN PRITZKER SCHOOL OF LAW, CHICAGO, IL

Juris Doctor Cum Laude

- *Northwestern University Law Review*: Associate Note and Comment Editor

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, EVANSTON, IL

Bachelor of Science in Journalism, Kappa Tau Alpha National Journalism Honor Society

- Reporter for *The Albuquerque Tribune* for Teaching Newspaper

ADMISSIONS

Illinois

United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

- Western Springs Foundation for Educational Excellence: *Chair (2018), Vice-Chair (2017), Board Member (2016)*
- John Laidlaw Elementary Parent Teacher Organization: *Treasurer (2014-2016)*