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Education

American University Washington College of Law Washington, DC
Juris Doctor, *cum laude*, May 2004

Denison University Granville, OH
Bachelor of Arts—Communication, *cum laude*, May 2001

Bar Admission

Maryland, 2004
District of Columbia, 2005

Legal Experience

Dragga, Hannon, Hessler, & Wills L.L.P., October 2005-Present Rockville, MD
Associate Attorney

Represent clients in a wide range of domestic relations matters including litigation, negotiation, and other alternate dispute resolution in divorce, custody, domestic violence, support, and enforcement matters. Court appointed Child Privilege Attorney.

The Honorable J. Ramsey Johnson, D.C. Superior Court, August 2004-August 2005 Washington, DC
Law Clerk

Prepare orders, decisions, and review motions for domestic relations, neglect, juvenile, adoption, misdemeanor and post-conviction cases. Research and draft memorandum for a variety of issues presented to the Judge. Prepare the daily docket and interact with attorneys and pro se litigants contacting chambers.

Jane Moretz-Edmisten & Associates, P.C., January 2004-June 2004 Washington, DC
Law Clerk

Assisted solo practitioner with the domestic relations side of her practice. Researched and drafted motions and answers to discovery. Interacted with clients and attended mediation sessions.

The Honorable John M. Mott, D.C. Superior Court, January 2003-December 2004 Washington, DC
Judicial Clerk Externship

Draft decisions, orders, and relief recommendations for cases on the domestic relations, juvenile, neglect and criminal docket. Research the criminal and domestic relations portions of the D.C. Code.

Washington College of Law Clinical Legal Education, May 2003-04 Washington, DC
Student Attorney: Women and the Law Clinic

Represent clinic clients on a variety of issues before the D.C. Superior Court. Research and draft legal memorandum and motions. Present legal arguments on behalf of real and simulated clients.

Professor Penelope Pether, Director of Legal Rhetoric and Writing, May 2002-04 Washington, DC
Research Assistant: Prepare bibliographies. Research history of legal discourse and judicial ethics.

Student Coordinator: Law and Literature, Published by University of California Press for Cardozo Law School. Law and Literature Conference planning and subscription generation.

Washington College of Law, Office of Admissions, May 2002-2004 Washington, DC
Student Voting Member Admissions Committee/Admissions Representative

Responsible for reading files of prospective students applying for admission and voting on their qualifications for admission. Provide tours and information to prospective students.