

MORGAN APPEL

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BAR ADMISSION

MARYLAND, December 2015

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE SCHOOL OF LAW, Baltimore, MD

J.D., Concentration in Family Law, May 2015, *cum laude*.

Honors: University of Baltimore School of Law Scholarship
University of Baltimore Law Forum, Associate Editor 2014-2015; Staff Editor 2013-2014
1 of 10 Students Selected for Dean's Citation, Spring 2015

Activities: UB Students for Public Interest, Co-President 2014-2015; Community Service Chair 2013-2014

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, College Park, MD

B.S. in Family Science, May 2011

Activities: Delta Delta Delta Sorority, Assistant Philanthropy Chair 2009-2010
St. Jude Collegiate Leadership Seminar, Selected Participant, July 2010

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

MEISELMAN HELFANT & WILLS, LLC, ROCKVILLE, MD

Senior Associate, August 2020 – present

Associate, August 2018 – August 2020

First and second-chair of family law cases, including cases involving divorce, custody, child support, alimony, marital property, retirement assets, and domestic violence. Duties include, but are not limited to, drafting pleadings, conducting discovery, meeting with clients, negotiating with opposing counsel, composing agreements, and preparing for and attending trial.

MEISELMAN & HELFANT, LLC, ROCKVILLE, MD

Associate, September 2016 – August 2018

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CIRCUIT COURT FOR HOWARD COUNTY, Ellicott City, MD

Judicial Clerk to the Honorable Richard S. Bernhardt, August 2015 – Present

Conduct complex legal research in all types of matters as well as draft orders and opinions. Interact with attorneys and parties before the court. Perform review of files and make recommendations as to the outcome of matters.

FAMILY LAW CLINIC, UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE SCHOOL OF LAW, Baltimore, MD

Rule 16 Student Attorney, Fall 2014 - Spring 2015

Prepared and filed pleadings in family law cases. Interviewed clients in matters involving divorce, custody and domestic violence. Drafted interrogatories and request for production of documents. Completed discovery propounded on our client. Represented clients in family law and domestic violence hearings.

ALTMARK, ROTTER & TROCK, L.L.P., Baltimore, MD

Law Clerk, Spring 2014 – Spring 2015

Assisted attorneys by completing answers to interrogatories, as well as prepared and filed complaints for personal injury and product liability claims. Conducted legal research pertinent to personal injury and workers' compensation law.

BALTIMORE CITY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, LEGAL SERVICES DIVISION, Baltimore, MD

Legal Intern, Summer 2013

Drafted motions for reconsideration and legal memoranda for emergency petitions. Conducted legal research on voluntary placement laws. Reviewed motions for protective orders, completed case briefs and observed adjudication hearings.

WALDMAN, GROSSFELD, APPEL & BAER, P.A., Baltimore, MD

Law Clerk, Collections Department, June 2011 – June 2012

Drafted complaints in collection actions for district court. Prepared writ of summons and issued renewal summons. Completed wage attachments and bank garnishments once judgment was accomplished.

SAFE SHORES – THE DC CHILDREN’S ADVOCACY CENTER, Washington, DC

Intern, Spring 2011

Reviewed and analyzed interviews of abused and maltreated children with attorneys and police officers in order to assist with their cases. Entered interview information into the Safe Shores database.

ACTIVITIES

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION, Rockville, MD

Activities: Family Law Section, Programming Co-Chair, October 2020 – present
Leadership Development Academy, Fellow, 2017-2018

AWARDS

Selected to the Rising Stars List by Maryland SuperLawyers Magazine, 2020, 2021, and 2022.