

SARAH I. MALIK

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EDUCATION

The George Washington University Law School, Washington, DC May 2007
Juris Doctor, Merit Scholar

University of Maryland – Robert H. Smith School of Business, College Park, MD May 2004
Bachelor of Science in Finance & Decision Information Sciences (DIS) – Cum Laude

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Malik Law LLC, Rockville, MD June 2013 - Present
Attorney/Owner

- Represent family law clients before the Maryland circuit courts and Superior Court of Washington, D.C. in divorce, custody, child support, marital property, domestic violence and post-judgment modifications matters. Services include preparing clients and their case for trial, depositions and mediation sessions and drafting and reviewing settlement agreements.
- Mediate family law cases involving custody, access and financial issues.

Law Office of John S. Weaver, Rockville, MD Jan. 2011 – June 2013
Associate
Contract Attorney July 2009 – Dec. 2010

D.C. Volunteer Lawyers Project, Washington, DC August 2009 – Feb. 2011
Pro Bono Attorney

- **Trial Advocacy** - Practiced family law with a focus on divorce, child custody, spousal and child support, division of property, domestic violence, and post-judgment modification matters. Duties included all aspects of case management including legal research; drafting and filing pleadings, discovery requests and responses, motions, pretrial statements; negotiating and drafting temporary and final custody and marital property settlement agreements; characterizing and valuing marital property; analyzing hidden assets; deposing parties and third-party witnesses; and litigating matters at pendent lite and merits trials.
- **Appellate Advocacy** – Researched and drafted appellate arguments before the Maryland Court of Special Appeals and prepare for related oral arguments. Issues argued have included the admissibility of expert testimony after discovery sanctions issued; gift monies included as income in calculating child support; award of indefinite alimony to spouse at fault for breakup of marriage; validity of a common law marriage under D.C. law; and modification of custody after international relocation of primary parent.
- **Client Counseling** - Advised clients on day-to-day matters, including handling visitation exchanges, participating in therapy, overcoming emotional concerns and communicating with spouses. Prepared clients for direct and cross-examination for trials and depositions, mediations and settlement conferences.

Barnes & Thornburg LLP, Washington, DC Sept. 2007 – June 2009
Associate
Law Clerk/Summer Associate Jan. 2006 – Dec. 2006

- **International Trade Export and Customs Compliance** – Counseled clients in the aerospace, defense, imaging, electronics, software, and medical industries with respect to export control and customs compliance. Provided guidance regarding imported products, including country of origin markings and free trade agreements.
- **Export Licensing** - Composed applications for export of defense articles and “high tech” products, dual-use articles, technology and services controlled under the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) and Export Administration Regulations (EAR). Successfully obtained numerous licenses for the export of medical equipment from OFAC, for dual-use articles from the Department of Commerce and defense articles and technical data from the Department of State.

Family and Civil Litigation Clinic, George Washington University
Student Attorney

August 2006 – May 2007

- Represented clients before the D.C. Superior Court, Family Court through the divorce process, drafted related pleadings, prepared witnesses and evidence for trial and negotiated elements of separation agreement with opposing counsel.

The Honorable José M. López, Superior Court of the District of Columbia
Intern for the Probate and Tax Court

May 2005 – August 2005

ACADEMIC AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

George Washington University Law School, Washington, DC
Adjunct Professor for Legal Research and Writing (1L students)

August 2012 – Present

George Mason University Law School, Arlington, VA
Adjunct Professor for Appellate Advocacy (2L students)

August 2011 – Dec. 2012

University of Maryland – Robert H. Smith School of Business, College Park, MD
Teaching Assistant to Business Computing Course

Sept. 2003 – Dec. 2004

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Montgomery County Bar Association

Maryland State Bar Association, Family Law Section

Montgomery County Inns of Court (2011-2012)

District of Columbia Bar, Family Law Section

BAR ADMISSIONS & LANGUAGES

Maryland (2007)

Washington, D.C. (2008)

Fluent in Urdu & Hindi