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WORK EXPERIENCE

Attorney at Law

Blaske & Blaske, P.L.C., Ann Arbor, Michigan
November 2004 - present

Associate at small, state-wide firm specializing in legal and medical malpractice and complex personal injury cases. Responsibilities include work in all aspects of case handling, including case intake and client consultation to writing briefs, mediation and arbitration statements, oral advocacy, negotiations, and trial.

Legal Clerk

Blaske & Blaske, P.L.C., Ann Arbor, Michigan
Summers 1996-1999, 2001-2004; Winters 1996-2003

Responsibilities included trial assistant, research, drafting and editing mediation and arbitration statements, case summary memoranda and other pleadings. Other duties included new client, client and witness interviews, correspondence, and fact-gathering, investigative work.

Teaching Assistant

University of Wisconsin, Department of Political Science, Madison, Wisconsin
January 2004 - June 2004

Teaching assistant for an undergraduate criminal law class. Responsibilities included instructing four small-group discussion sections weekly and writing and grading exams.

Legal Clerk

Gingras, Cates & Luebke, S.C., Madison, Wisconsin
September 1999 - May 2001
September 2003 - December 2003

Duties included new client interviews, research, drafting pleadings, and general office work.

EDUCATION

J.D., *cum laude*, May 2004, University of Wisconsin Law School

B.A., Political Science, with honors, May 2001, University of Wisconsin

CURRENT MEMBERSHIPS & ACTIVITIES

- State Bar of Michigan
- American Bar Association
- Michigan Association for Justice
- Washtenaw County Bar Association
- Washtenaw County Trial Lawyers Association
- Wisconsin Alumni Association
- Wisconsin Historical Society
- Motor City Badgers (Michigan's chapter of the Wisconsin Alumni Association)
- Young Alumni Chair and Web Design Chair, Motor City Badgers
- Volunteer, mock trial scoring judge, Michigan High School Mock Trial Tournament (Michigan Center for Civic Education)
- Volunteer oral advocacy judge, University of Michigan Law School

PAST ACTIVITIES & HONORS

- Top-ranking law student in Professional Responsibilities (legal ethics), awarded by the Wisconsin Lawyers Mutual Insurance Company, Spring 2004
- Teaching Assistant, University of Wisconsin, Department of Political Science ("Criminal Law & Justice")
- Member, Dean's List (law school)
- Member, National Dean's List (undergraduate)
- Volunteer, Salvation Army, Red Cross, UW Children's Hospital, Habitat for Humanity, Meriter Retirement Center, and others
- Chief Justice, Greek Judicial Board, University of Wisconsin
- Representative, Associated Students of Madison (student government), College of Letters & Science, University of Wisconsin
- Representative, Interfraternity Council, University of Wisconsin
- Member, Acacia Fraternity, University of Wisconsin
- Homecoming King, Fall 2000, University of Wisconsin, Fall 2000
- Mock trial volunteer judge, Prof. Donald Downs' Political Science 695 seminar, University of Wisconsin

PUBLICATIONS

1. Blaske, T. and Turck, J., "Plaintiff's Final Argument", 2nd ed., Institute of Continuing Legal Education, 2003
2. Blaske, T. and Turck, J., "Plaintiff's Final Argument", 4th ed., Institute of Continuing Legal Education, 2006
3. Practical Problems in Evidence, Michigan State University College of Law, February 2007
4. Blaske, T. and Turck, J., "Hard Times and Happy Endings: Firing Your Clients Without Getting Burned", Institute of Continuing Legal Education, November 2009

PRESENTATIONS

1. Phi Alpha Delta, University of Michigan, January 2007
2. Practical Problems in Evidence, Michigan State University College of Law, February 2007
3. Undergraduate University Research Opportunity Program, University of Michigan, March 2007
4. "The Art (and Science) of Cross Examination: Gleanings from the Wisdom & Wit of Yogi Berra", Michigan State University College of Law, September 2007
5. "Hearsay: This Stuff Really is More Interesting Than it Sounds", Michigan State University College of Law, October 2007
6. Undergraduate University Research Opportunity Program, University of Michigan, March 2008

INTERESTS & HOBBIES

History of the University of Wisconsin, University of Wisconsin athletics, soccer, music, American history, computers, chess, and spending time with my wife Stacy and our daughter Adelynn.

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