

Kerrin M. Kowach

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EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C., 1990-1993

Juris Doctor, *magna cum laude*, Order of the Coif

Activities: Appellate Litigation Clinic (briefed and argued before the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit); *American Criminal Law Review*

Publications: *The Constitutional Right to Psychiatric Assistance: Cause for Re-Examination of Ake*, 30 Am. Crim. L. Rev. 1329 (1993); Contributing author, *Conflicts of Interest*, 29 Am. Crim. L. Rev. 243 (1992)

Other Honors: American Jurisprudence Awards in Professional Responsibility, Insurance Law, and Administrative Law; Honors in Legal Research and Writing

Villanova University, Villanova, PA, 1987-1990

Bachelor of Arts, *magna cum laude*, Political Science and Sociology

Phi Beta Kappa; Phi Kappa Phi; University Medallion Award for highest graduating GPA in Sociology

EXPERIENCE

Saint Louis University School of Law, St. Louis, MO, 2010 to present

Assistant Professor

Courses: Commercial Transactions, Conflict of Laws, Evidence and Advocacy, Legal Research and Writing, Moot Court

Cohen & Grigsby, P.C., Pittsburgh, PA, 2000 to present

Of counsel 2010-present; partner, 2001-2010; associate, 2000-2001

Litigator with primary emphasis on defense of securities fraud and accountant malpractice claims and general commercial disputes; experience includes class action defense; responsible for all aspects of litigation; appearances before trial courts, appellate courts, and arbitration panels

Administrative Roles: *Shareholders' Council* (management committee); *Co-Chair/Chair of Recruiting and Associate Development Committee*, 2003-2008 (responsibilities included summer associate program and recruitment, new associate orientation and training, local bar association diversity program, fellowship programs for first year law students); *Assistant Litigation Practice Group Head*, 2007-2008; *Supervisor of Litigation Paralegals*, 2003-2004; *Co-Chair/Chair of United Way Campaign*, 2004-2009; various task forces concerning promotion policies, recruiting, and associate training

Other Activities: National Institute of Trial Advocacy "Building Trial Skills" Program; American Inns of Court, W. Edward Sell Chapter, 2002-2003; speaker at various internal and external seminars on professional development and substantive legal issues

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Kirkpatrick & Lockhart LLP (now K&L Gates), Pittsburgh, PA, 1996-2000

Litigation Associate: responsibilities included matters involving securities fraud, insurance, construction, and general business disputes

Administrative Roles: Recruiting Committee; mentor to summer associates

Watt, Tieder & Hoffar (now Watt, Tieder, Hoffar & Fitzgerald LLP), McLean, VA, 1994-1996

Litigation Associate: responsibilities included matters involving construction and government contract disputes

The Honorable Irma S. Raker, Maryland Court of Appeals, 1994

Judicial Clerk

The Honorable Deborah K. Chasanow, United States District Court for the District of Maryland, 1993

Judicial Clerk

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Theodore McMillian Inns of Court (St. Louis, MO)

Board Member, Voices for Children (St. Louis, MO)

Board Member, Central Institute for the Deaf (St. Louis, MO)

Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Team in Training (St. Louis, MO)

Board Member, KidsVoice (Pittsburgh, PA), 1999-2005

Audit Committee Member, Family Lifeline (Richmond, VA), 2006-08

SPCA Annual Event Committee Member (Richmond, VA), 2007

Equal Justice Campaign Member (Pittsburgh, PA), 2002-2003

BAR ADMISSIONS

Missouri, 2008

Pennsylvania, 1996

Maryland, 1993 (currently inactive)

Various federal court admissions