



RACHAEL D. WILSON

A T T O R N E Y

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BAR ADMISSIONS

Illinois – 2019 (UBE)

KEY SKILLS

Litigation

Public Speaking

Writing & Editing

Legal Research & Analysis

Interpersonal Skills

Time management

Common Sense Solutions

Out of the Box Thinking

Lesson & Event Planning

Moderating Panel Discussions

Mentoring

EDUCATION

Valparaiso University Law School

Juris Doctor (J.D.), 2016-2019

· Activities and Societies: Moot Court Society, Associate Justice of International Competitions and Judging; International Moot Court Society – Jessup Competitor, top 15 Mid-West Regional Oralist; Barbri Student Representative; Steering Committee Chair; Co-Student Circulation Desk Manager

EXPERIENCE

Loyola University, School of Law

Assistant Clinical Professor of Legal Writing, July 2024 to present

- Craft curriculum for closed office memorandum, research office memorandum, and persuasive writing
- Write assignments including long form fact patterns
- Manage tutors to assist in teaching and evaluating citations
- Prepare and present weekly lessons for students covering formal legal writing and law school writing including issue spotting and relevancy
- Evaluate and grade student work product providing feedback to encourage growth

Adjunct Professor of Legal Writing, 2023-2024 school year

- Prepare and present weekly lessons for students
- Evaluate and grade student work product providing feedback to encourage growth

City of Chicago Corporation Counsel's Office

Assistant Corporation Counsel, June 2023-June 2024

- Conduct research regarding multiple topics in Employment Law in preparation for Federal Motions, including hostile work environment, Americans with Disabilities Act, and Title VII
- Draft federal Motions to Dismiss, Motions for Summary Judgment, discovery, and settlement letters

Riley Safer Holmes & Cancila, LLP

Associate, Aug. 2022-May 2023

- Conduct research regarding multiple areas of law, including corporate criminal enforcement, trademark, copyright, tortious interference with contract, and state law evidentiary needs for motions *in limine* and trial
- Draft federal motions *in limine*, state court motions to reconsider, notice of removal, and client presentations

Cook County State's Attorney's Office-Civil Rights/Torts Section

Assistant State's Attorney, Aug. 2019-Aug. 2022

- Civil Defense Litigation
- Drafted appellate briefs, crossclaim, motions to dismiss, motions for summary judgment, and miscellaneous motions
- Argued before the Seventh Circuit
- Sat Third Chair in *Bowers v. Dart, et al* trial Sept. 30-Oct. 3, 2019
- Managed a case load of 15 to 30 cases concerning various state and federal claims, including premises liability, Americans with Disability Act, Section 1983, First Amendment, Fourth Amendment, and Fourteenth Amendment claims
- Conducted depositions and prepare clients for deposition
- Managed client relationships

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EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

Baylor University

Bachelor's Degree, Film and
Digital media, 2011-2014

Activities and Societies: National
Association of Black Journalist
(NABJ), Omicron Delta Kappa,
Society of Professional
Journalists, Green and Gold
Pageant Committee

PUBLICATIONS

ABA JUDICIAL INTERN
OPPORTUNITY
PROGRAM

Alumni Spotlight, May 2022

SEVENTH CIRCUIT
RIDER

"John Paul Stevens: A True
Gentleman of Justice", Fall
2019

REFOCUSSED MAGAZINE
Multiple Articles - 2015

EXPERIENCE (CONTINUED)

Cook County State's Attorney's Office-Municipal Litigation Section

Law Clerk, Aug. 2018-Nov. 2018

- Drafted court documents, including a complaint concerning an abandoned water well, answer, motion for summary judgment concerning FOIA request compliance, and attorney appearances

District of Columbia Office of Police Complaints

Law Clerk, May 2018 – Aug. 2018

- Conducted legal research for complaint investigators in determining whether a violation occurred, including unlawful entry
- Drafted legal argument for report of investigation concerning unlawful entry
- Researched, prepared, and presented policy recommendation regarding alternative citizen reporting systems

United States' Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Indiana, Hammond Division

Law Clerk, Aug. 2017 – Feb. 2018

- Assisted in drafting an appellate brief
- Conducted legal research on a variety of subjects, including sidewalk defects and the ostrich jury instruction
- Assisted with development of legal theories and discovery in criminal and civil cases

United States' District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond Division

Summer Judicial Extern for the Honorable John A. Gibney, Jr., May 2017 -
July 2017

- Collaborated with Law Clerks on 10 different projects
- Drafted two judicial opinions

VOLUNTEERING

- iMentor Chicago – Mentor 2020 to 2023
- Minority Legal Education Resources, Inc – Board President and Chairperson December 2022-December 2023; Board Member January 2022-December 2022; Tutor Winter 2020; Lead Tutor Winter 2021-Winter 2024
- Loyola University Law School, Thurgood Marshall Moot Court Competition – Coach 2021-present