

## HEATHER R. MCCABE

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### EDUCATION

**The George Washington University Law School**, Washington, DC

J.D., May 1997

Richard C. Lewis Memorial Award, Spring 1997

Domestic Violence Clinic, 1996-97

**Amherst College**, Amherst, MA

B.A., *cum laude*, Political Science, May 1994

### LEGAL EXPERIENCE

**McCabe Russell, PA**, Rockville, MD

**October 2009- Present**

Principal

Responsible for all phases of family law litigation practice and law practice management. Draft documents (including complaints, motions, memoranda, exceptions and discovery). Argue exceptions and motions hearings. Prepare and identify witnesses and experts (including forensic psychologists and appraisers). Take and defend depositions. Represent clients at pendente lite and final hearings, settlement conferences, and status reviews. Accept appointment as trustee for sale of property. Accept appointments to represent children in contested custody cases in Anne Arundel County, Montgomery County, and the District of Columbia.

**Michele Zavos Law Group, PLLC**, Silver Spring, MD

**April 2009- October 2009**

Of Counsel/Senior Counsel

Responsible for all phases of family law litigation practice (serving straight and LGBT families in divorces, dissolutions, adoptions, child custody, child support, and visitation actions), supervised staff, represented birth parents, minors, and adoptive parents in all stages of adoption proceedings, trained in collaborative law and mediation.

**Georgetown University Law Center**, Washington, DC

**July 2006-June 2009**

Associate Professor, Legal Research and Writing

Taught two sections of Legal Research and Writing (approximately 60 students total). Critically reviewed and commented on student drafts and rewrites. Taught Law Fellow Seminar (currently six students) and

intensive Law Fellow Summer Training so that Fellows are familiar with theories informing the course and the commenting process.

Service included: Student Life & Diversity Committee; assisted in drafting curriculum documents for transitioning Legal Research and Writing Department; and reviewed and commented on colleagues' scholarship.

**American University, Washington College of Law, Washington, DC  
August 2005 – July 2006**

Instructor, Legal Rhetoric Department

Taught Legal Rhetoric, a first-year legal analysis, research and writing program, and Family Law.

Interviewed adjunct instructor (approximately 25 per year) and teaching assistant (approximately 85 per year) candidates.

Service included: coordinating and facilitating legal research and writing workshops for Multicultural and International Students' Organization (MISO); coaching Moot Court Team; organizing program presentations including orientation for new and returning adjunct instructors and appellate advocacy panels.

**Law Offices of Heather R. McCabe, P.A., Columbia, Maryland  
August 2005 – April 2009**

Limited representation of clients in adoption proceedings.

**March 1999 – July 2005**

Solely responsible for all aspects of family law practice (including divorce, custody, visitation, child support, and adoption matters). Represented clients in all phases of proceedings including merits hearings. Participated in mediation of employment discrimination actions. Researched and drafted motions and memoranda on family law, defamation, and employment issues.

Represented minors in adoption and other family law matters. Represented adoptive or birth parents in both independent and agency adoptions. Accepted Court appointments of various sorts (including representing children and acting as trustee for judicial sales).

**American University, Washington College of Law, Washington, DC  
September 2002 – 2005**

Adjunct Instructor, Legal Rhetoric Department

Developed materials and taught legal analysis, research, and writing

to approximately twelve first-year law students.

**Mason, Cawood & Hobbs**, Annapolis, Maryland  
**January 2001 – July 2005**

**Mason, Ketterman & Morgan**, Annapolis, Maryland  
**March 1999 – December 2000**

Of Counsel

Took and defended depositions in all types of civil litigation cases, particularly medical malpractice cases. Consulted and advised concerning case strategy. Drafted trial court documents and appellate court briefs.

**Mason, Ketterman & Morgan, P.A.**, Baltimore & Annapolis, Maryland  
**May 1996 – February 1999**

Associate (November 1997-March 1999)/ Law Clerk (1996-November 1997)

Argued motions and attended hearings. Handled all aspects of district court trials, administrative hearings, and arbitrations. Took and defended depositions. Researched and drafted pleadings, motions, and appellate briefs on a variety of issues including evidentiary, employment, and medical malpractice matters.

**SELECTED  
PRESENTATIONS,  
PUBLICATIONS,  
AND AWARDS**

- Montgomery County Maryland Bar Foundation's President's Citation for Outstanding Pro Bono Service, 2011
- Regular Columnist, "Legally Yours," gayweddings.com, October 2010-2011
- "Friend is Grateful for Support of Gale," January 19, 2008, Athens Banner-Herald.
- February 2007, Presented at Washington College of Law's "(Un)married . . . With Children: Obstacles Non-Marital Families Must Overcome to Adopt or to Utilize Assisted Reproductive Technology."
- 1997, D.C. Bar Training, "Protecting the Smallest Victims of Domestic Violence: Guardian Ad Litem Training," Case Study Presenter.

**ONGOING  
SERVICE**

Accept multiple Pro Bono cases per year from Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service, Children's Law Center, and Montgomery County Pro Bono Project.

Current President, Maryland State Bar Association LGBT Bar

**BAR  
MEMBERSHIP**

- Maryland State Bar, 1997
- District of Columbia Bar, 2010
- United States District Court for the District of Maryland Bar (inactive), 1998

**OTHER  
INTERESTS**

Reading, Running, and Playing with my twelve-year-old triplets and three-year-old step-daughter.