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BAR ADMISSIONS

Maryland (admitted 2006), Virginia (admitted 2007), and the District of Columbia (admitted 2009)

EDUCATION

University of Maryland School of Law

- Juris Doctor, 2006
- Certificate in Health Law from the Law and Health Care Program, 2006

Brown University

- A.B. in Public Policy and American Institutions, 2002
- Writing and Rhetoric Fellow

EXPERIENCE

Attorney: Pasternak & Fidis, P.C., 2007-present

- Prepare and try family law cases as first-chair trial attorney
- Interview clients and witnesses for case development and trial preparation
- Manage the discovery process
- Author appellate briefs and deliver oral arguments in intermediate and high courts of appeal
- Represent clients in mediations and other alternative dispute resolution settings
- Take and defend depositions
- Draft and argue substantive and procedural motions

Judicial Law Clerk: The Honorable Thomas E. Marshall, Circuit Court for Harford County, 2006-2007

- Assisted trial court judge with legal research, opinion drafting, courtroom proceedings, and motion adjudication

Court-Appointed Special Advocate for Children: CASA of Baltimore County, 2005-2007

- Interviewed children under the protection of the Maryland court system
- Investigated circumstances as they related to the determination of children's best interests
- Conducted interviews of witnesses
- Advocated for children's interests based on personal observations and investigation results

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Bar Association of Montgomery County, Maryland
- Montgomery County, Maryland American Inn of Court (2013-2014 term)
- Virginia State Bar Association
- Fairfax Bar Association
- Arlington County Bar Association
- International Association of Collaborative Law Professionals (IACP)