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## LICENSURE

Admitted to practice, Maryland Court of Appeals, December 2003  
Admitted to practice, D.C. Court of Appeals, August 2010

## SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

Litigated family law cases including divorce, domestic violence protective orders, alimony, property distribution, child custody, child support, and post-judgment matters in Circuit Court and District Courts throughout Maryland and Superior Court of the District of Columbia; provided expert testimony in legal malpractice cases; advised clients and prepared estate planning documents and estate administration and litigation; represented clients before the U.S. C.I.S and Executive Office of Immigration Review; advised and represented clients in County Circuit Court Appeals and the Maryland Court of Special Appeals, trained in mediation and collaborative law, trained as Best Interest Attorney to represent children in contested custody matters, conversational Spanish and French language skills

## LEGAL EXPERIENCE

### **Mirsky PolICASTRI LLC**

**August 2014-Present**

600 Jefferson Plaza, Suite 440, Rockville, MD 20852

Of Counsel. Advised and represented clients in the areas of family law, estate planning and immigration law. Drafted complaints, motions, pre-trial statements, wills, trusts, deeds, power of attorney documents, living wills, advised in post-judgment enforcement and collections and negotiated settlement agreements. Represented clients in litigation and negotiation throughout Maryland and the District of Columbia.

### **Law Office of Maribel LaFontaine, P.C. February 2010-July 2014**

600 Jefferson Plaza, Suite 304, Rockville, MD 20852

Managing Partner Assisted in managing small law firm, including marketing, accounting, employee management and client relationships. Advised and represented clients in the areas of family law, estate planning and immigration law. Drafted pleadings, estate planning documents, agreements and immigration forms. Represented clients in litigation in the District and Circuit Courts of Maryland and the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. Appellate litigation in the Maryland Court of Special Appeals.

### **Law Office of Heather L. Sunderman**

**August 2004-February 2010**

600 Jefferson Plaza, Suite 304, Rockville, MD 20852

Owner/Attorney Managed solo attorney law firm, including marketing, accounting, and

client management. Advised and represented clients in the areas of family law, estate planning, and employment law. Represented clients in the District and Circuit Courts of Maryland. Drafted motions, pre-trial statements, and estate planning documents, negotiated settlement agreements. Court appearances in District and Circuit Courts throughout Maryland.

**Lynne K. Zusman and Associates**                      **November 2002-August 2004**

1818 N Street, N.W., Suite 701, Washington, D.C. 20036

Associate Conducted legal research in the areas of public and private employment law, family law, business law and contracts. Drafted briefs, motions, and correspondence. Reviewed and organized materials in preparation for litigation and other administrative support.

**United States Coast Guard**                      **June 2002-September 2002**

2100 Second Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20593

Intern Conducted legal research in the areas of employment law, and agency administrative law including the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act. Drafted briefs, motions, and correspondence. Reviewed and organized materials in preparation for litigation. Provided administrative support.

**EDUCATION**

**American University Washington College of Law**, Washington, D.C.

J.D., *cum laude*, May 2003      GPA 3.41              Top 35% of class

**Duquesne University School of Law**, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

August 2000-May 2001      GPA 3.32              Rank: 30 of 121

Honors:      Full tuition merit scholarship

**Allegheny College**, Meadville, Pennsylvania

B.A. in History, May 2000

Honors:      Alden Scholar, 1997-98 and 1999-00, Phi Alpha Theta,  
History honor fraternity

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND RECOGNITIONS**

Bar Association of Montgomery County

Maryland State Bar Association

SuperLawyers Rising Star 2013-2014

**PRO BONO ACTIVITIES**

Volunteer Attorney for Family Law Self-Help Project

Facilitator at D.C. Family Court Self-Help Center

Women's Law Center Family Law Hotline

Montgomery County Bar Foundation Contested Custody Project

Secretary, Board of Trustees for TIUST Foundation

Peer Review Committee, Attorney Grievance Commission