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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

BASKA & FAVATA, Syracuse, NY 2008 - present

Partner/Attorney-at-Law

- Provide aggressive representation to appointed and retained clients for misdemeanor and felony cases, from initial interview, arraignment, motions, hearings and through bench/jury trials and sentencing.
- Oversee driver's license and other defendant-specific DWI issues, including DMV refusal hearings.

ANELLI XAVIER, P.C., Syracuse, NY 2006 - 2008

Supervising Attorney (promoted from Associate Attorney)

- Represented misdemeanor and felony clients at all stages of proceedings, including arraignment, discovery, pre-trial motions, negotiations with DAs, trial and sentencing.
- Researched and wrote memoranda of law on New York State criminal law and procedure issues.
- Supervised civil department and oversaw all aspects of civil case, including discovery, depositions, motions, negotiations, mediation, settlement and trial.

DJ AND JA CIRANDO, Syracuse, NY 2006

Law Clerk

- Organized and prepared trial court records for review and appeal to the 3rd and 4th Appellate Divisions.
- Performed a thorough evaluation of trial proceedings, identified key issues, researched challenges for appeal, wrote appeals and memoranda of law to be presented to the Appellate Division for decision.

COOK COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT, Chicago, IL 2005

Court Externship

- Researched key legal issues including on diverse range of civil issues, including corporations, insurance claims, banking and contracts.
- Wrote focused memoranda on each issue, then assisted with writing the Court's legal opinions and rulings.

NEW YORK STATE SENATE, Albany, NY 2003

Legislative Assistant - Senator Joseph E. Robach/Committee Clerk, Civil Service and Pension Committee

- Entrusted to represent the Senator/his positions to special interest groups, lobbyists and constituents.
- Drafted legislation, then tracked and lobbied bills through committees and to the legislature.
- Researched and reported on state legal concerns to keep the Senator well-informed of current trends.
- Briefed Senator and staff on mission-critical issues and pending legislation, such as education, budget, and criminal justice, in preparation to debate, discuss and vote on controversial issues.

EDUCATION

VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Valparaiso, IN

Juris Doctor, 2006

- Cambridge Study Abroad Program, Assistant Director – international juris prudence, and international and family law studies, 2004
- Volunteer, Valparaiso Law Clinic, with successful management of 60 criminal cases, 2005 - 2006

UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY, SUNY, Albany, NY

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics, with a double Minor in Economics and History, 2003

- Outstanding Senior Award (most prestigious non-academic award given), 2003
- Vice-Chairman, Senate (organized and administered weekly student government meetings, 3 school-wide elections and 20 programs, and represented student interests), 2002 – 2003
- Assistant Comptroller (implemented and executed finance policy, aided 150+ departments in financial management, assisted in the control and disbursement of \$1.8 mil budget), 2002
- Chairman, Finance Committee (oversaw \$1.7 mil budget and 150 departments), 2001