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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Circuit Court of Cook County, Circuit Court Judge

June 2016 – present

Appointed by the Illinois Supreme Court as a Circuit Judge to the Circuit Court of Cook County on June 28, 2016. Currently assigned to the First Municipal District in the Richard J. Daley Center, hearing small claims cases involving breach of contract, collections, and attorney fee petitions. Conducts bench trials, settlement conferences and substantive motion hearings. Previously assigned to Traffic Court, hearing misdemeanors, including driving under the influence and driving on revoked/suspended licenses, and minor traffic tickets. Conducted and presided over bench and jury trials on misdemeanors and petty offenses and hearings on motions to quash arrest and suppress statements, motions for discovery sanctions and petitions to rescind statutory summary suspensions.

SCHUYLER, ROCHE & CRISHAM, P.C.

Partner

February 2011 – June 2016

Senior Associate

April 2009 – January 2011

Served as lead counsel in numerous appellate cases, including writing appellate briefs, petitions for leave to appeal, and motions in the Illinois Supreme Court, Illinois Appellate Court, and United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit on a wide range of civil litigation issues on behalf of businesses, professionals and insurers. Served as litigation counsel in all aspects of commercial and civil litigation. Second-chaired a jury trial in the Circuit Court of Cook County. Represented public sector clients in discrimination lawsuits in the Illinois Human Rights Commission, Cook County Commission of Human Rights, Illinois Appellate Court and Northern District of Illinois.

CRISHAM & KUBES, LTD.

Associate

April 2007 – April 2009

Researched and drafted appellate briefs, petitions for leave to appeal, and motions in Illinois Supreme Court, Illinois Appellate Court, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. Acted as litigation counsel in commercial and civil litigation. Second-chaired a two week jury trial involving breach of contract and indemnification claims in the Circuit Court of Cook County.

ILLINOIS APPELLATE COURT

Judicial Law Clerk to Justice Mary Jane Theis

September 2000 – April 2007

Researched, drafted and edited opinions and Rule 23 orders on civil and criminal matters, including conflicts of interest, jury instructions, appellate jurisdiction, civil procedure, insurance coverage, employment law, personal injury, tax, administrative review, contracts, estates, constitutional law, arbitration, torts, legal malpractice and statutory interpretation.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO SCHOOL OF LAW

Adjunct Professor of Appellate Advocacy

Fall 2004 and Fall 2005

Taught second-year law students appellate brief writing and persuasive writing skills. Educated students on state and federal appellate procedure, specifically addressing the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, Illinois Supreme Court Rules and United States Supreme Court Rules. Instructed students on oral argument techniques.

EDUCATION

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, 2000. Juris Doctor, *cum laude*

Loyola University Chicago Law Journal, Executive Publications Editor

Northwestern University, 1997. Bachelor of Arts, majored in Political Science

Regina Dominican High School, 1993

BAR ADMISSIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

State of Illinois

United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

Member of Appellate Lawyers Association; Illinois Judges Association; Inn of Court; Chicago Bar Association; and Illinois State Bar Association

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS, HONORS, APPOINTMENTS AND PUBLICATIONS

Appellate Lawyers Association—Vice-President (2017-2018), Treasurer (2016-2017) and Secretary (2015-2016)

Co-Author of Civil Section of *Cases Pending*, published by Appellate Lawyers Association (2009-present)

Member, Illinois Supreme Court Committee on Character & Fitness for First Judicial District (2013-2016)

Volunteer at Clerk Dorothy Brown's Expungement Seminar (June 10, 2017)

Panelist at the Appellate Lawyers Association Advanced Appellate Practice Seminar during a discussion of Preserving Issues for Appellate Review (April 28, 2017)

Speaker to West Suburban Bar Association on "Nuts and Bolts Overview of Civil Appeals" (February, 2017)

Volunteer at Juvenile Expungement Seminar at Aspira School (August 6, 2016)

Speaker at Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education Civil Appellate Practice on Interlocutory Appeals – Rule 307 (November 5, 2015)

Interlocutory Appeals as of Right, in Civil Appeals (Illinois): State and Federal ch.13 (Brad A. Elward & Michael A. Scodro eds., 2015)

Law Bulletin Publishing Company Emerging Lawyer (2015, 2016)

Illinois Rising Star (2009, 2010, 2012, 2013)

Moderated an appellate practice seminar featuring five justices of the Illinois Appellate Court (April 2010)

Director, Appellate Lawyers Association (2010–2012)

Co-Chair of Seminars Committee, Appellate Lawyers Association (2009-2010)

Prepared and delivered speeches at Schuyler, Roche & Crisham's annual risk management seminar to architects and engineers:

April 20, 2016: Implied Warranty of Habitability

February 12, 2015: Contractual Management of Risk – Oral vs. Written Contracts

April 10, 2014: Contract Provisions to Limit Liability

June 11, 2013: Failure to Follow Contract Documents Can Be Expensive

May 1, 2012: The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation is Calling – What Do I Do Now?

February 16, 2011: Contractual Management Risk

BAR ASSOCIATION RATINGS

Found Qualified or Recommended by all evaluating bar associations