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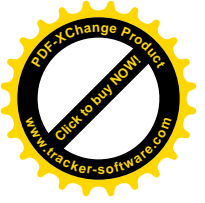
Team-oriented, seasoned, Real Property and Insurance litigation attorney with a passion for and background in athletics and fitness; with over 8 years of Residential Real Estate Law experience representing major institutional lenders and federal agencies from inception through trial throughout Florida. Experienced in First-Party Insurance Defense Law representing insurance companies in litigation. My experience and education has been further supplemented by being an avid reader of the latest case law and legislative changes.

EDUCATION

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| <i>Juris Doctor</i> ~ Nova Southeastern School of Law, Fort Lauderdale, FL | 2008-2011 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities: Nova Trial Association ('07-'08) | |
| <i>Bachelor of Arts</i> ~ University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC | 2004-2008 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honors: Dean's List (all semesters of college), Life Scholarship Recipient • Activities: Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, Freshman Council, Bodybuilding & Fitness Club | |

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

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| <i>Senior Associate Attorney</i> ~ Clausen Miller, PC, Remote | July 2020- Present |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Represent major insurance carriers in first-party property matters. • Research statutory changes and relevant case law to advise and litigate on behalf of my clients. • Draft detailed reports advising clients of the strengths, weaknesses, and legal analysis of their cases. • Draft articles regarding changes in relevant case law for publication in the firm's newsletter to our clients. • Handle a wide range of discovery and litigation issues. • Negotiate and draft settlement agreements. • Attend hearings and mediations. | |
| <i>Litigation and Trial Attorney</i> ~ Popkin and Rosaler, P.A., Remote | August 2016- May 2020 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Represent major institutional lenders and federal agencies. • Handle matters from inception through trial throughout Florida. • Handle a wide range of discovery and litigation issues. • Negotiate and draft settlement agreements. • Manage a caseload in excess of 100 active matters. • Work remotely and manage all of the cases on the west coast of Florida. | |
| <i>Associate Attorney</i> ~ Powers, McNalis, Teebagy, Luongo, P.A., West Palm Beach, FL | June 2016-July 2016 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managed a caseload of insurance defense cases from inception through resolution. • Drafted pleadings, discovery, subpoenas, and motions. | |
| <i>Associate Attorney</i> ~ Florida Foreclosure Attorneys, PLLC, Boca Raton, FL | 2012– 2016 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handled matters from inception through trial throughout Florida. • Client liaison for several major institutional lenders and federal agencies. • Managed a caseload in excess of 200 active matters. • Lead attorney for the Trials Team; prepared trial packages & advised clients & attorneys on trial strategy and legal issues. • Lead attorney for the Affidavits Team; prepared affidavits and managed a team of 10 employees. | |



- Drafted and reviewed complaints; examined title reports to determine proper parties and counts.
- Developed and sharpened my skills in motion practice, discovery, and litigation.

Law Clerk ~ Law Office of Michael J. Rocque, P.A., Fort Lauderdale, FL

2010 – 2011

- Performed criminal law legal research.
- Trial assistant for Attorney Rocque.
- Drafted various motions; including motions to suppress evidence.
- Conducted client intake; including introduction to the firm and initial interview.

Certified Legal Intern ~ Broward County Public Defender's Office, Broward, FL 2010

- Worked as Certified Legal Intern as a part of Nova Southeastern's Criminal Justice Clinic.
- Actively represented clients in all facets of the legal process including: trial, arraignment, plea-bargaining, and hearings.