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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

HENNESSY LAW FIRM, Malvern, PA

Attorney, 2018 to present; of counsel 2015 to 2018

- Achieve positive results for individual clients and companies in employment law cases involving discrimination, retaliation, wrongful discharge, non-compete agreements and whistleblower actions.
- Successfully represent clients in family law disputes, including mediations, hearings and custody trials.
- General legal representation, including formation of corporations and non-profits, estate administration/planning and credit card debt disputes.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, Schuylkill County, PA, Honorable James Goodman
Law Clerk, 2012 to 2018

OFFICE FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION, Harrisburg, PA

Mediator, 10/08 to 10/2011

Appeals Panel Officer, 4/06-1/09

- Travelled to school districts across the state to mediate education disputes between parents and school districts; successfully mediated over twenty (20) matters, with over fifty hours of mediation time.
- Participated in yearly mediation training.
- Worked on three member panels to review special education determinations by hearing officers; drafted legal opinions subject to review by the Commonwealth Court.

LAW OFFICES OF KAY HENNESSY SEVEN, Matamoras and Milford, PA

Sole Practitioner, 10/2004 through 10/2008

- Custody mediator and hearing officer for Pike County.
- Represented petitioners for PFA Orders for North Penn Legal Services.
- Handled general legal matters, including real estate transactions, estate administration/planning and general litigation.

BEECHER AND CHELAK, Milford, PA

Litigation Associate in general practice law firm, 8/2001 to 10/2004

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY, Bethlehem, PA

Graduate Assistant for Doctor Perry Zirkel, Ph.D, J.D., LL.M., 2000-2001

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, Chester County, PA, Honorable Katherine B.L. Platt
Law Clerk, 1998-2000

PAUL, WEISS, RIFKIND, WHARTON AND GARRISON, New York and Tokyo
Staff Attorney, 1996-97; Business Document Review, Litigation Department

PENNSYLVANIA SUPERIOR COURT, Honorable James R. Cavanaugh,
West Chester, PA
Law Clerk, 1995-96; summer intern 1993

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Villanova University School of Law, Villanova, PA
J.D. 1995
Villanova Environmental Law Journal, Editor, 1994-95, Staff Member and
Contributor, 1993-94

College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA
Bachelor of Arts, 1991; Major: History

Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA
M.Ed. 2001

Center for Mediation in Law, New York, NY
Completed 40-hour Intensive Mediation Training Course, 12/2004

Interdisciplinary Collaborative Law Training, Wall, NJ
Completed 2-day training with Practical Collaborative Solutions, LLC

PUBLISHED MATERIALS

*In the Matter of Arons: Construction of the IDEA's Lay Advocate Provision Too
Narrow?*, 9 Geo. J.L. & Pol. 193 (2002).

Book Review: Dixie Snow Huefner, Getting Comfortable with Special Education Law,
30 J.L. & Pol. 375 (April 2001).

Compensatory Educational Services in Special Education Cases: An Update, 150 West's
Educ. Law Rep. [311] (March 15, 2001).

Co-author of *ECRA to ISRA: Is it More than Just a Name Change?*, 7 Vill. Env'tl. L.J. 55
(1996).