# Sheroo Bhagia

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#### Experience

## Bhagia Law Firm, Houston, TX

Solo Practitioner, May 2013 - February 2020

- Law firm focused on general commercial litigation, real estate transactions and small business matters with deposition, arbitration and mediation experience
- Defend and prosecute claims in municipal, state and federal courts involving commercial leases, premises liability, HOAs, mechanic liens, foreclosures, evictions, employment, real estate transaction, Texas DTPA, negligence, breach of contract, and properties cited by the city for code violations
- Negotiate and draft residential and commercial leases, subleases, purchase agreements, construction agreements and licensing agreements; perform title searches on parcels of property; obtain construction permits from the city planning office
- Counsel clients on entity formation, shareholder agreements and corporate governance matters

## Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry, Houston, TX

Litigation Associate, January 2012 - May 2013

- Practice emphasis on complex commercial litigation with deposition, arbitration, and mediation experience
- Defended and prosecuted actions involving trade secret misappropriation, copyright infringement, premises liability, breach of contract, Texas DTPA, international arbitration, products liability, Fair Credit Reporting Act, unlawful detainer actions, personal injury, and real estate
- Drafted numerous motions, discovery requests and responses, briefs, legal memoranda, subpoenas, letters and real estate related instruments

## Global Street Hospitality, Houston, TX

General Counsel, January 2007 - October 2010

- Negotiated and drafted purchase/sale, leasing, financing, and employment documents
- Advised principals on employment, tort, contract, real estate, and franchise laws
- Managed outside counsel on lawsuits involving franchise disputes, breach of contract, and bankruptcy
- Assisted principals in the acquisition of properties through financial modeling and performing due diligence

## Colorado State Public Defender, Boulder, CO

Deputy Public Defender, August 2005 – December 2006

- Managed between 90 and 120 misdemeanor and felony cases at all times
- Drafted and argued numerous pre-trial motions and negotiated over 100 plea deals
- Litigated eight jury trials, obtaining "not guilty" verdicts on all counts in five cases and a hung jury in one case

#### Federal Public Defender for the District of Alaska, Anchorage, AK

Law Clerk, Summer 2004

- Assisted deputy public defenders in investigations, motion practice, and trial preparation
- Drafted a motion to suppress evidence that was granted by the trial court and upheld on appeal

#### Education

## University of Texas School of Law, Austin, TX

Juris Doctor, with honors, 2005

## University of California, Berkeley, CA

Bachelor of Arts, Economics, Minor, Business Administration, 1999

#### **Bar Admissions**

Licensed and in good standing with the Texas, California and Colorado State Bars