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Admissions: New York, New Jersey, Southern District of New York, District of New Jersey

Education: **Boston University School of Law**, Boston, MA: J.D., May 2014
Columbia University, New York, NY: B.A. in History (Modern Europe), May 2007

Legal Experience

Fleming Ruvoldt, PLLC – Associate – Englewood, NJ / New York, NY – May 2016 - March 2020

- Prepared for and assisted at federal and state trials and appellate hearings, both civil and criminal, on issues including false statements, textual ambiguity, diplomatic immunity and negligence, and was a member of the defense team for a New York murder trial and on one of the largest money laundering and sanctions cases ever brought by the justice department.
- Performed witness interviews as part of defense investigations, including significant time spent in US. jails and overseas, conducted interviews in translation in numerous languages. Visits to Rikers, the MCC and MDC, in particular, have given me insight into the gravity of pre-trial bail decisions made by prosecutors.
- Engaged in research on, drafted legal briefs for, or engaged in motion practice on diverse issues including contract and negligence claims, settlement enforcement, attorney-client privilege, fraud, consumer fraud, the related case rule, RICO conspiracies, customs enforcement, human trafficking, money laundering, international sanctions, application of the hearsay rule in New York criminal trials, admissibility of evidence obtained from foreign sources, Rule 15 depositions, criminal forfeiture, and, more generally, prepared or assisted in the preparation of fact-heavy summary judgment motions, appellate briefs and sentencing memoranda.
- Engaged in extensive civil discovery in both federal and state cases, including drafting and responding to subpoenas, document requests, interrogatories, preparing questions for and attending depositions (for which I obtained NITA training) , and performing document review.
- Appeared independently at state court hearings and represented clients at proffer sessions and pre-sentencing probation interviews.

Epiq Systems -- Attorney -- New York, NY – various projects in 2015, 2016

- Took part in document review projects, including an SEC investigation and litigation over mortgage servicing practices.

New Jersey Office of the Public Defender – Intern – Jersey City, NJ – Summer 2012

- Assisted Office of Parental Representation with DYFS/Family Court cases involving alleged neglect or abuse, including, termination of rights trials, and removal hearings. This experience gave me insight into the unique challenges faced by prosecutors dealing with domestic violence and possession or use related drug offenses. As we fought the NJ Attorney General's Office to keep children with caring parents, both sides clearly wished that they had resources to address the issues that brought the families to court to begin with.

Kostelanetz & Fink, LLP – Paralegal – New York, NY – Sept. 2007- May 2011

- Helped prepare for depositions, hearings, and both criminal and civil trials by reviewing documents and conducting detailed analysis of financial documents to determine tax liability; assisted in preparation of court submissions; and worked on *pro bono* cases related to firm's specialization in taxation.

Brooklyn District Attorney's Office – Intern – Brooklyn, NY – Summer 2006

- Interviewed police officers in preparation for court appearances and prepared police paperwork to be handed over to defense attorneys.
- Helped ADAs with pre-trial research and preparation and by scheduling court appearances, contacting witnesses, and preparing subpoenas.