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EXPERIENCE

CHELSEA RHONE/HEALTHCAP RRG, Ann Arbor, MI

2016-Present

Insurance company specializing in the long-term care industry

Associate General Counsel

Primarily responsible for file-level case management for all claims arising under HealthCap's policy forms for insureds in over 40 states.

- Aid agents and clients with navigating the claim process and educate on areas to improve to minimize future claims.
- Assist in enterprise risk management for Chelsea Rhone and HealthCap.
- Work with the Risk Management team in developing policies and procedures on a variety of matters to highlight best practices.
- Assist General Counsel with regulatory matters, employment/human resources issues, and advising Board of Directors.

MCVEY & PARSKY, LLC, Chicago, IL

2015 – 2016

National litigation counsel in product liability and insurance coverage matters.

Associate Attorney

Represented self-insureds, small businesses, and large retailers (approx \$150B) in coverage litigation. Managed an extensive caseload (over 50 active cases) and oversaw all local counsel in region covering the Midwest and Northeast (17 states). Assisted clients with managing and litigating claims at the appellate level.

- Defended retail stores and distributors in product liability actions and premises liability actions.
- Negotiate settlement and confidentiality agreements, including agreements protecting proprietary information for litigation.
- Defended employers and management in discrimination, retaliation, vicarious liability litigation and other claims arising under the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Illinois Human Rights Act, Indiana Civil Rights Law, FLSA, and other local employment and discrimination laws in state and federal courts.
- Advised clients on risk management issues and assist with reviewing and revising contracts, including cyber risks.

KELLEY KRONENBERG, P.A., Chicago, IL

2013 – 2015

A leading law firm serving businesses and the insurance industry.

Associate Attorney

Recruited by managing partner (former Wilson Elser partner) to join newly opened Chicago office. In addition to handling a full caseload, managed office expense budget. Oversaw an administrative staff of three and a law clerk.

- Defended government contractors and insurers in Defense Base Act and workers' compensation litigation.
 - Advised on strategy and took depositions of claimants, physicians, and expert witnesses.
 - Determined litigation strategy, including managing discovery and preparing motions for summary decision before the Office of Administrative Law Judges (OALJ).
 - Assisted with preparing appeals to the Benefits Review Board.
- Defended employers and management in workers' compensation claims.
- Advised clients on best practices and policies for employment and personnel related issues under FLSA and FMLA. Represented clients in mediations before the EEOC, IDHR, CCCHR, and IHRC.
- Represented and advised insurers in coverage actions focusing on D&O, EPL, E&O, and CGL policies.
- Drove the design and implementation of a firm-wide training and mentorship program for new associates.

WILSON ELSEER MOSKOWITZ EDELMAN & DICKER, Chicago, IL

2010 – 2013

A full-service law firm with over 750 attorneys in 27 offices throughout the United States.

Associate Attorney (2011 – 2013)

Partnered with attorneys on a variety of cases (including class actions) related to employment law, premise liability, and insurance coverage. Drafted and researched legal issues for appellate briefs submitted in the First, Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, and Eleventh Circuits. Took and attended depositions.

- Represented employers in employment discrimination cases.
- Defended corporations for alleged violations of FMLA, harassment, and false advertising claims.
- Defended and advised insurers in coverage actions relating to D&O and E&O policies.
- Assisted clients with breach response and provided defense in cyber/data privacy litigation.
- Drafted employee handbooks and recommended best practices on the hiring and firing of personnel, social media, and data retention.

Law Clerk (2010 – 2011)

Wrote memos analyzing and summarizing research on Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin employment discrimination and premise liability laws. Summarized and analyzed medical records and deposition transcripts. Audited other law firms' bills and provided reports to clients. Prepared trial exhibits.

FEDERAL DISTRICT MAG. JUDGE NUECHTERLEIN, South Bend, IN**2010 – 2011****Legal Extern**

Wrote orders and memorandum of law on federal substantive law and rules of procedure, including cases involving discrimination and contractual disputes. Reviewed social security administration decisions and rendered opinions and orders.

SUPERIOR COURT 2 JUDGE ALEXA, Valparaiso, IN**Summer 2010****Legal Extern**

Researched Indiana State legislation and case law. Wrote orders and memorandum of law on criminal and civil cases ranging from complex contractual indemnification to family law matters. Drafted opinions.

THE VICTOR FIRM, Sterling Heights, MI**2008 – 2009**

A specialized law practice representing business clients in lawsuits against municipalities involving property rights, zoning, use restrictions and deprivation of constitutional rights of due process and equal protection of the law.

Law Clerk

Drafted motions and briefs in support for state and federal courts. Wrote memos on issues of first impression pertaining to aspects of the Open Meetings Act and property rights, including the Michigan Right to Farm Act.

- Managed exhibits and transcribed trial notes for month-long trial in USDC of Eastern District of Michigan against the City of Sterling Heights.

EDUCATION
VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Valparaiso, IN

- JD (2011); full academic scholarship, all three years
- Moot Court Society, Justice of Judging and Member, 2009-2011
- Trial Advocacy Member, 2009-2011
- Secretary, Valparaiso Real Property Law Student Group, 2009-2011
- 1L & 2L Faculty Representative, Student Bar Association

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor, MI

- BA in English and in History with Secondary Education certification in both (2007)
- Member of Kappa Delta Pi, Education Honor Society (former president and conference chair)
- Outstanding Graduate Award 2007 of the Martha Cook Building, voted by peers

LICENSURE
Bar Admissions

Illinois State Bar
Indiana State Bar
Michigan State Bar

Admitted Jurisdictions

United States Supreme Court
Northern District of Illinois
Northern District of Indiana
Southern District of Indiana

ACTIVITIES & AFFILIATIONS

Publications

- “Arbitration Agreements are Better for Long-Term Care Facilities and Families,” PROVIDER MAGAZINE, online (Feb. 11, 2020)
- “Spring Cleaning for Applications: Background and Credit Checks,” THE VOICE, Vol. 13 Issue 20 (May 21, 2014)
- “Defending a Claim Under the Defense Base Act: The First Steps,” coauthor with Kent A. Rogers, THE WHISPER, Vol. 10 Issue 2 (Feb. 28, 2014)

Presentations

- Co-Presented on Documentation, Risk Management, and Immunity in Lawsuits at Oklahoma Leading Age Conference, March 10, 2021
- Presented on COVID-19: Preparing for and Defending Lawsuits at Nebraska Health Care Association Fall Conference, November 2, 2020
- Presented on Serving Residents’ Psychosocial Needs and also on Social Media Policies at Oklahoma Leading Age Conference March 10, 2020
- Presented at Oklahoma Leading Age Annual Conference on Medical Marijuana, March 12-13, 2019
- Presented on Sexual Intimacy and Balancing Capacity and Residents’ Rights at the Indiana Health Care Association/Indiana Center for Assisted Living Annual Convention and Expo, August 2, 2018
- Presented on Sexual Intimacy at Regional Meeting of Leading Age California, Fresno County, June 25, 2018
- Presented on Sexual Intimacy at Regional Meeting of Leading Age California, Orange County, April 13, 2018
- Presented Course on Falls and Managing and Defending Care Provided, WALA Spring 2017 Conference
- Presented Course on Risk Management for the CEU Institute on November 10, 2014 outlining the path and trends of risk management from traditional risk management to advanced risk management addressing compliance issues and initiatives, recent case law, and best practices.
- Prepared and served as co-presenter for EPL Seminar focusing on social media and common pitfalls for employers to avoid, presented September 18, 2012.

Teaching, Advising & Coaching Activities

- Lecturer, University of Michigan Stephen Ross School of Business (January 2022-present)
- Assistant Coach, Divine Child High School Forensics Team (September 2017-December 2019)
- Attorney Essay Advisor for Illinois Bar Course, Themis Bar Review (May 2012-February 2016)
- Coach, Labor & Employment Trial Team, John Marshall School of Law (September-December 2014)
- Adjunct Professor, Valparaiso Trial Advocacy, Valparaiso, IN (September 2013-May 2014)
- Assistant Coach, Valparaiso Moot Court Society, Valparaiso, IN (February-March 2012)

Professional & Community Affiliations

- Professional Liability Underwriting Society
- Defense Research Institute
- Junior League of Ann Arbor
- Martha Cook Board of Governors
- American Heart Association
- Illinois State Bar Association
- Indiana State Bar Association