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JUDICIAL SERVICE

CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, IL JUDGE

December, 2014 - PRESENT

DOMESTIC RELATIONS DIVISION

July, 2016 – Present

- Preside over cases in the Domestic Relations Division, from the initiation of actions for dissolution of marriage/civil union, declaration of invalidity of marriage/civil union, legal separation, parentage, child support, maintenance, allocation of parental responsibilities and parenting time, and orders of protection, through post-judgment proceedings

FIRST MUNICIPAL DIVISION

December, 2014 – July, 2016

- Presided over cases brought in the First Municipal District, in the Traffic Section, Felony Preliminary Hearings Section, Misdemeanor Section, Non-Jury Civil Section, and Forcible Entry and Detainer Section

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

ILLINOIS COURT OF CLAIMS, CHICAGO, IL COMMISSIONER

November, 2007 - November, 2014

- Conducted trials, took evidence and made recommendations to Court of Claims Judges as to the dispositions of monetary claims, other than workers' compensation claims, made against the state of Illinois

ATTORNEY REGISTRATION & DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION, CHICAGO, IL 2004 - November, 2014 INQUIRY BOARD & OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEMBER

- Determined whether sufficient evidence existed in investigations alleging misconduct against Illinois attorneys
- Filed formal charges before Hearing Board when sufficient evidence existed; imposed remedial conditions on deferred matters; and dismissed actions without sufficient evidence

PAST PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

LAW OFFICES OF VICTOR J. CACCIATORE, CHICAGO, IL ASSOCIATE

February, 2012 – November, 2014

- Defense attorney in federal and state court felony and misdemeanor criminal and quasi-criminal matters
- Plaintiffs' attorney for civil rights and intentional torts claims
- Represented management in workplace law issues
- Claimants' attorney in asset forfeiture proceedings
- Respondents' attorney at administrative hearings, including before the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation
- Advocated for domestic relations parties, at both the pre-decree and post-decree stage

ROBERT A. FISHER, LTD., CHICAGO, IL ASSOCIATE

2005 - February, 2012

- Sued on behalf of plaintiffs for civil rights and intentional torts violations
- Defended defendants in federal and state court felony and misdemeanor criminal matters

PATTON & RYAN LLC, CHICAGO, IL SENIOR ASSOCIATE

2004 - 2005

- Defended catastrophic loss claims from initial responsive filing through final resolution

CITY OF CHICAGO CORPORATION COUNSEL, CHICAGO, IL **1991 - 2004**
ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL

INDIVIDUAL DEFENSE LITIGATION DIVISION

1996 – 2004

- Defended municipal employees in litigation alleging civil rights and constitutional violations, discrimination, wrongful death and intentional torts, including client counseling, pre-trial preparation and investigation, discovery, motion practice, settlement negotiations, trials, post-trial matters, and bills of costs

MUNICIPAL PROSECUTIONS DIVISION

1991 – 1996

- Represented the Local Liquor Control Commissioner at administrative hearings before the Mayor’s License Commission and the License Appeal Commission, as well as on administrative review in the Circuit Court
- Prosecuted municipal ordinance violations for departments of police, revenue, health, consumer services, streets and sanitation, environment, and animal care and control
- Advised Chicago Police Department at public events and demonstrations, and regularly trained assistants

JANCOVIC & PONTICELLI - PARK RIDGE, IL **1989 - 1991**
ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY

- Advised businesses on employment law; represented corporations in commercial litigation; prepared wills and administered estates; and negotiated commercial leases and closed real estate transactions

LICENSES

- Illinois Bar
- Federal (General and Trial) Bar - Northern District of Illinois
- 7th Circuit Court of Appeals

EDUCATION

***Juris Doctor.* Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Chicago, IL** **1989**
 HONOR: Admitted under the *THIRD YEAR ADMISSION PROGRAM*

***Bachelor of Arts, English.* Loyola University Chicago, Chicago, IL** **1988**

SPECIAL

Bilingual (English/Spanish)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

In School Programs Committee Member, Illinois Judges Association	2015 - Present
Host to “Women Everywhere” high school participants	2015 - Present
Loyola University of Chicago School of Law Mentor	2006 - Present
John Marshall Law School and the Criminal Justice Section of the American Bar Association	2007 - Present
Annual Trial Advocacy Competition volunteer judge and/or juror	
Volunteer Speaker at Public and Parochial schools, at grade and high school levels, including:	2004 - Present
Lane Tech High School (<i>for Crime Scene Investigation Days</i>)	
Regina Dominican High School (<i>for Forensic Science Classes and Career Days</i>)	
Cristo Rey High School (<i>for Career Days and Business Etiquette Classes</i>)	
Josephinum Academy (<i>for Career Day</i>) and	
Finkl Academy Elementary School (<i>for Career Days</i>)	
St. Viator Parish Art Zone Volunteer	2008 - 2009
YMCA as a Level II Swimming Official	1999 - 2007
Volunteer at Recovery on Water, a rowing team for breast cancer survivors	2008 – 2010