

## **Bar Admission**

State of California (2016)

State of New York (2011)

State of Indiana (2009)

United States District Court: *Northern and Southern Districts of Indiana* (2009)

## **Experience**

### **Dolce and Gold, LLP (New York, NY)**

#### **Managing Partner (Oct. 2011 – Present)**

- Formed law practice with concentration in foreclosure defense for New York residential borrowers – includes regular client contact and in-depth research of emerging legal principles relating to foreclosure proceedings; practice also includes some family law and landlord/tenant matters with periodic appearances before various tribunals

### **Arrufat Gracia, PLLC (New York, NY)**

#### **Of Counsel (Jan. 2012 – Aug. 2013)**

- Advisor in the areas of litigation, trusts and estates with a concentration towards relevant Indiana jurisprudence
- Tasked to research and write memoranda on complex interstate legal issues and assisted in settlement negotiations of substantial amounts

### **Tower Legal Services/Advanced Discovery LLC/Epiq Systems (New York, NY)**

#### **Contract Attorney (April 2011 – Jan. 2014 (intermittent))**

- Reviewed matters that involved major financial companies, equities and exchange traders, brokers, and private litigants
- Covered QC, privilege, and general responsiveness
- Experience with Relativity, Clearview, Consilio, Ringtail and Audio Reviews
- Assisted major financial institution with compliance and regulatory affairs as they relate to the foreclosure and home lending-industry
- Projects included JPMorgan Chase; AIG; Goldman Sachs; and Barclays

### **Allonhill (Denver, CO)/Promontory Financial Group c/o Special Counsel (Denver, CO)**

#### **Attorney Specialist (Feb. 2012 – May 2012)/Compliance Associate (May 2012 – Jan. 2013)**

- Recruited by third-party mortgage review company to conduct due diligence review on mortgage instruments resulting from agreed-to consent order between the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency and fourteen major lenders; Conducted forensic review of mortgage documents, from origination to foreclosure sale; included bankruptcies, if any; liaised with major lender on conditions or exceptions existing within their borrowers' documents bearing relevance on consent order; rolled-over with separate asset risk management company (Promontory) relating to the same consent order

### **NSS Financial Services, LLC (New York, NY)**

#### **In-House Counsel (June 2011 – Oct. 2011)**

- Recruited by financial firm to represent its interests as they relate to the loss mitigation and mortgage modification process from residential dwellings to commercial properties; edited contracts and performed forensic audits on the company's behalf; negotiated with outside counsel (when applicable); and researched specific matters under the Truth in Lending Act (TILA), the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA) (including the drafting and editing of Qualified Written Responses (or "QWRs"), the Home Modification Disclosure Act (HMDA), and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (ECOA)
- Prepared legal filings for various individual clients – included temporary restraining orders, declaratory petitions, complaints, and various motion practice (notices/motions drafted pursuant to New York's third-party litigation finance rubric and with the appropriate disclosures/consent of all parties involved)

## **Kaplan PMBR (New York, NY)**

### **Researcher/Writer (Feb. 2011 – Aug. 2011)**

- Contracted to write and implement bar review material in several state jurisdictions (NY, MI, VA, and OH)

## **Attorney at Law (Indianapolis, IN)**

### **Solo Practitioner (Oct. 2009 – Oct. 2013)**

- Engaged in class action litigation – including discovery, summary judgment-proceedings, and a class certification hearing; advised and assisted in the formation of non-profit corporations, LLP(s) and LLC(s) – included bylaw drafting and guiding organizational meetings
- Practice areas included Appellate Procedure, Research and Writing – drafted appellant brief/reply briefs in addition to substantial motion practice

## **Board of Elections in the City of New York (New York, NY)**

### **Staff Attorney (Aug. 2010 – Feb. 2011)**

- Assisted General Counsel on all election law-related matters – tasks include drafting memoranda, appearing before various tribunals on Orders to Show Cause, attending General Public Hearings, and in-depth analysis of Article II of the New York State Constitution in conjunction with the federal Help America Vote Act (“HAVA”)

## **Indiana Attorney General's Office (Indianapolis, Indiana)**

### **Graduate Legal Intern/Law Clerk: Consumer Protection Division (Nov. 2007 – May 2010)**

- Represented the State of Indiana in all stages of consumer-based litigation; directly assisted Antitrust department; conducted pre-trial hearings, depositions, and oversaw discovery at every level (included interrogatories, requests for admissions, requests for production, *et cet.*)
- Appointed to analyze the constitutionality of H.R. 3590, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (“Obamacare”)
- Managed independent caseload involving allegations of consumer fraud
- Wrote dispositive documents incorporating facts and Indiana law as they applied to each deceptive business (e.g. Warning Letters; Opinion Letters)
- Drafted pleadings and various motions for civil litigation
- Researched/wrote memoranda on legal issues that arose within the Division
- Edited various written works of other law clerks and deputy attorneys general

## **Education**

### **Indiana University School of Law**

#### **Juris Doctor, May 2009**

Distinctions:

- Articles Editor, *Indiana Health Law Review*
- Vice President, *International Human Rights Law Society*
- Participant, *Indiana Moot Court Competition*
- Finalist, *ABA Student Newspaper Editorial Awards*
- Author, *United Nations Shadow Report* (2009)

### **Taylor University**

#### **Bachelor of Arts, May 2006: Philosophy and Political Science**

- Senator, Student Senate 2005-2006 Academic Year

## **Additional Information**

Member of the *New York State Bar Association*; *Indiana Bar Association*, and *Phi Alpha Delta*; Working knowledge of Mac OS/X and Windows Operating Systems; of Relativity, Clearview, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access, FrontPage, Casemap, and Outlook; of Law Manager/Deskcite; advanced knowledge of LexisNexis and Westlaw; Hobbies: member, *New York Road Runners Club*; aspiring screenwriter and novelist; writer/drawer of cultural and political cartoons