

### WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Southern Environmental Law Center, Washington, D.C. | *Senior Attorney* August 2024 – Present**

- Directing and managing various in-depth studies on credibility of utility load forecasts within region.
- Leading development and litigation of federal cases challenging federal authorizations of harmful and unnecessary gas infrastructure.
- Drafting recommendations and advocating for responsible, reliable, and clean energy policies.

**Niskanen Center, Washington, D.C. | *Chief Counsel* May 2023 – August 2024**  
***Deputy Chief Counsel* March 2022 – April 2023**  
***Senior Staff Attorney* Oct. 2018 – Feb. 2022**

- Directed & managed the organization's litigation department, including lifecycle of federal docket challenging pipeline projects from case identification, client retention and management, through litigation and appeal.
- Supervised team of lawyers and research associate and contributed to their professional development.
- Represented clients, including locally based environmental organizations, landowners, local coalitions, fishermen, and other parties in FERC administrative proceedings, developing foundation for subsequent legal challenges.
- Led advocacy with federal agencies, including DOE, FERC, and Congressional staff, on administrative, regulatory, and statutory reform relative to siting and permitting under the Natural Gas Act and the Federal Power Act.
- Co-led comprehensive report offering evidence-based recommendations to address challenges in federal transmission permitting while maintaining and bolstering environmental and community protections.
- Developed Freedom of Information Act docket, including successful litigation for release of landowner lists in federal pipeline docket, and document production from the FBI related to unlawful civilian surveillance involving a fossil fuel company.
- Supported state-based pipeline regulatory reform in states, including through filings and public speaking.
- Advised executives on legal, contractual, personnel, and strategic issues outside of our litigation work.
- Successfully obtained humanitarian parole and safe transport to the U.S. for Afghan family fleeing Kabul.

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**Chaikin, Sherman, Cammarata, & Siegel, P.C., Washington, D.C. | *Trial Attorney* Nov. 2016 – Oct. 2018**

- Managed caseload of over 50 contested actions in various jurisdictions from case intake through trial, and co-chaired with partners on various complex actions, including defamation and wrongful death claims.
- Generated individually over \$1.8 million in revenue in less than two years representing plaintiffs.
- Took and defended hundreds of depositions.
- Developed and implemented use of electronic records firm wide.
- Conducted initial client meetings to evaluate and secure cases for the firm.
- Supervised legal assistants, and contributed to their professional development.
- Monitored evolving legal issues and developed educational seminars for attorneys and staff.
- Served on a web committee overseeing website analytics, website redesign, and client campaigns.

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**Bertram & Amell, PLLC, Washington, D.C. | *Litigation Associate* July 2015 – Nov. 2016**

- Served as lead counsel or associate support for civil litigation cases covering case intake, discovery, settlement, trial preparation/execution/strategy, final disposition, and post-trial motions.
- Lead counsel on FOIA & appeal to DC Mayor's office resulting in release of key video evidence of police officer running over a pedestrian.
- Drafted motions, oppositions, and legal research memoranda on civil law and civil procedure.

- Took fact witnesses depositions, defended depositions, and managed discovery.

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**Williams Bertram, PLLC, Washington, D.C. | *Litigation Associate***

**Feb. 2014–July 2015**

- Researched and wrote significant portions of United States Court of Appeals Appellee civil rights brief that protected a \$2.6M civil rights verdict in favor of client.
- Rule 30(b)(6) & fact witness depositions, and defended depositions.
- Conducted legal research and analysis and prepared memoranda relating to health, civil rights, and disability law.
- Managed civil rights docket discovery, which consisted of thousands of pages of medical, housing, and employment records.

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**American Civil Liberties Union, National Prison Project & Washington Legislative Office, Washington, D.C.**

***Georgetown University Law Center Entry Into Practice Fellow***

**Oct. 2013 – Feb. 2014**

- Drafted briefs and legal memoranda for federal court, including: discretion under Rule 23(e) to allow non-class members to testify at fairness hearing; and Ninth Circuit rulings on using Rule 41(a) to dismiss single claim from multi-claim complaint.
- Drafted Comments on Department of Education's Federal Mandatory Civil Rights Data Collections proposal.
- Attended hearings and coalition meetings, prepared written reports on action.

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**The Constitution Project, Washington, D.C. | *Legal Fellow***

**Sept. 2013–Dec. 2013**

- Drafted memoranda on whether proposed special advocate scheme for Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court is consistent with constitutional restraints and on expansion of executive powers.
- Researched secret law, as well as attended hearings and briefings relative to secret law issues.

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**EDUCATION**

**Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C.**

**May 2013**

Juris Doctor

*Activities:* Vice President: Human Rights Action-Amnesty International; Director: Human Rights Fact-Finding Committee; Co-author: Winning proposal on racial disparities, juvenile justice, and education, selected as the foundation of a 2011-2012 academic course and federal advocacy project.

*Publication:* Kept Out: Barriers to Meaningful Education in the School-to-Prison Pipeline, Co-Author, Human Rights Institute, 2012.

**American University, Washington, D.C.**

**August 2009**

Master of Arts, International Affairs, Specialization in Conflict Resolution and Human Rights

*Funded Research:* Conducted research on impacts of interstate conflict on girls and women in slum of AguaBlanca in Cali, Colombia; taught sexual health, English, and math.

**University of Delaware, Newark, DE**

**June 2006**

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science

*Honors:* Jessie Ball DuPont Scholarship; Dean's List, 2003-2006.

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**LANGUAGES**

- English (native)
- Spanish (intermediate in speech, reading, and writing)