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EDUCATION

University of Maryland School of Law Baltimore, Maryland
J.D., *with Honors* (top 20% of class), May 2004
Law Journal: *The Business Lawyer*, Associate Articles Editor

Loyola College Baltimore, Maryland
Sellinger School of Business and Management
B.B.A. (Finance), *cum laude*, May 2001
Honors: Presidential Scholar
 Honors Program
M.B.A., Enrolled

BAR ADMISSIONS

Maryland
District of Columbia
U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

EXPERIENCE

Astrachan Gunst & Thomas, P.C. Baltimore, Maryland
Associate Attorney, May 2007-Present
Practicing in the areas of business law; intellectual property; estate and business succession planning; and employment law.

Hodes, Pessin & Katz, P.A. Towson, Maryland
Associate Attorney, August 2004-May 2007
Law Clerk, 2001-2004
Practicing in the areas of commercial litigation; business law (including real estate and environmental law); estate planning and wealth management.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

American Bar Association
Business Law Section

- Fellow (2007-2009)
- Committee on Intellectual Property Transactions, Member (2007-Present)
- Committee on the Uniform Commercial Code, Member (2007-Present)

- Committee on LLCs, Partnerships and Unincorporated Entities, Member (2009-Present)
- Committee on Middle Market and Small Business, Member (2009-Present)

Young Lawyers Division

- Member Service Team (2009-2010)
- National Conferences Team (2008-2009, 2006-2007)
- Vice Chair, YLD Committee on Arts, Entertainment & Sports Law (2005-2006)
- Vice Chair, YLD Tort, Trial and Insurance Practice Committee (2005-2006)

Maryland State Bar Association

- Leadership Academy Fellow (2009-2010)
- Young Lawyers Section Council (2007-Present)
- Co-Chair, YLS Activities Committee (2008-2009)
- Chair, YLS Technology Committee (2007-2008)

PUBLICATIONS

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DESKBOOK FOR THE BUSINESS LAWYER (Sharon K. Sandeen ed., American Bar Association Section of Business Law, forthcoming edition) (authoring chapter on Insurance and Intellectual Property Litigation).

The Anatomy of a First Amendment Retaliation Claim Under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, THE MARYLAND BAR JOURNAL (Nov. 2008).

IP 101: A Primer on Copyrights, Trademarks and Trade Secrets, ABA SECTION OF BUSINESS LAW, YOUNG LAWYER FORUM ENEWSLETTER (July 2008).

TTAB Rule Changes: An Overview, ANNUAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW UPDATE (MSBA Intellectual Property Section, Vol. I, June 2008).

Business Insurance in the Age of E-Commerce, THE ADVOCATE (Young Lawyers Section – Maryland State Bar Association, Vol. 23, No. 3, Spring 2008).

IRS Update: New Rules on the Treatment of Marketer Image Cash, GENERAL COUNSEL CORNER (March 2008).

Succeeding with Business Succession Planning, ASTRACHAN GUNST & THOMAS, P.C. ENEWS (Feb. 2008).

“You Have Been Selected!” (By the DOL, That Is), ASTRACHAN GUNST & THOMAS, P.C. ENEWS (Nov. 2007).

Environmental Considerations in Real Estate Transactions, MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (Summer 2005).

Your Will: Values and Valuables? Wills Aren't Just for Assets Anymore, LEGAL FOCUS
(Fall/Winter 2005).

Contributing Author, *Life and Disability Claims*, MICPEL (April 2003).

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

What You Should Know About Internet Law, Community College of Baltimore County
(November 20, 2008).

Ads That Shouldn't Have Run, Arkansas Advertising Federation (November 17, 2008).

Business Planning Seminar, American Subcontractors Association of Baltimore (October 16,
2008).

HONORS

Super Lawyers, Rising Star (2009)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

The Advertising Association of Baltimore
Board of Directors (2007-2009)

Maryland March of Dimes
State Board of Directors, General Counsel (2006-2008)

The Bryn Mawr School Alumnae Association
Volunteer in various capacities including as past Class Chair for annual giving; past Class Notes
Editor for *Communiqué* (alumnae publication); member of Class of 1998 Reunion Committee.