LAILA MARTIN

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EDUCATION

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY NEW ORLEANS COLLEGE OF LAW | J.D.

2022, New Orleans, Louisiana

PHI DELTA PHI-INTERNATIONAL LEGAL HONOR SOCIETY

Loyola Journal of Public Interest Law

Dean's Scholarship, 2019-2022

Dominican University | B.A. Summa cum laude

2019, River Forest, Illinois

International Relations and Criminology

Presidential Scholarship, 2015-2019

KAPPA GAMMA PI-NATIONAL CATHOLIC GRADUATE HONOR SOCIETY

PI GAMMA MU-INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY IN SOCIAL SCIENCES

EMPLOYMENT

STEPHENSON CHAVARRI & DAWSON LLC | Law Clerk

2020-Present, New Orleans, Louisiana

Preparing motions, memoranda, and petitions for cases ranging from personal injury, probate and estates, worker's compensation, among others. Drafting demand letters and liens in collection matters. Conducting intake, serving as liaison between associates and clients/judicial clerks/medical staff. Preparing immigration filings including adjustment of status petitions, U-Visas, FOIA requests. Responding to and propounding discovery. Assisting associates and partners in trial preparation. Conducting legal research, case citing and proofreading. Calendaring, file organization, electronic case filing.

STUART H. SMITH LAW CLINIC | Student Practitioner

2021-2022, New Orleans, Louisiana

Secured payment of over 80 hours of unpaid wages. Spearheaded the development of legal theories and litigation plans. Conducted fact finding interviews with clients and witnesses in both Spanish and English. Obtained and catalogued evidence through FOIA requests and charted plan for propounding of discovery.

STUART H. SMITH LAW CLINIC | Student Volunteer

2019-2020, New Orleans, Louisiana

Interpreted between student practitioners and Spanish speaking clients. Interpreted for fact finding interviews with Spanish speaking witnesses. Translated legal, medical, financial, and governmental documents for use in court.

WEST SUBURBAN ACTION PROJECT | Immigration Intern

Spring 2017, Melrose Park, Illinois

Drafted cover letters, closing letters, addendums, and immigration applications. Researched and summarized local and state legislation. Developed lobbying campaigns. Conducted intake of potential clients,

maintained files and input data into management software.