

JENNIFER MORTEL

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EDUCATION

William Mitchell College of Law

Juris Doctor, cum laude, May 2002

- Class Rank: 31/232; Cumulative GPA: 3.38
- Honors: Founder's Scholarship; Dean's List; CALI Award of Excellence in Property I; CALI Award of Excellence in Real Estate Seminar; Burton Brief Award Nominee

University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire

Bachelor of Arts, magna cum laude, May 1999

- Honors & Activities: Dean's List; Academic Distinction Award; Phi Sigma Alpha Honor Society, Vice-President; Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society; Finalist for the Karl Anderson Scholarship Award; UW-Eau Claire Student Leadership Award Nominee; Pre-Law Club, Treasurer

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Licensed to practice in Minnesota (2002) and Wisconsin (2003)
- Member of MN Association for Justice; WI Association for Justice; MN State Bar Association; WI State Bar Association; Business Networking International – Metro Marketing Masters, Vice-President, Wills for Heroes Volunteer Attorney
- Qualified Arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Bowden Cyr Mortel, P.L.L.C., St. Paul, MN 03/2009 – Present
Attorney, Founding Partner

- Represent clients and handle all aspects of cases in various areas including personal injury, estate planning, wills and trusts, probate and corporate matters.
- Serve as an Arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association rendering decisions for cases involving insurance disputes.

Mortel Law Firm, P.L.L.C., Woodbury, MN 04/2008 – 03/2009
Attorney, President

- Represent clients and handle all aspects of cases in various areas including estate planning, wills and trusts, personal injury and corporate matters.

Crabtree Law Firm, P.A., Stillwater, MN 07/2000 – 04/2008
Attorney

- Conduct arbitrations, mediations, depositions, and motion hearings.
- Research and draft legal motions and appellate briefs.

- Draft settlement demand letters and negotiate settlement on personal injury cases.
- Handle cases in various other areas including estate planning, real estate, contracts, employment, LLC and corporate matters.
- Supervise and manage associate attorneys, paralegals, legal assistants, and law clerks.
- As a law clerk from 2000-2002, drafted discovery, motion papers and court of appeals brief.

Winthrop & Weinstine, P.A., St. Paul/Minneapolis, MN Summer 2001
Summer Associate, Conducted case law and statutory research on Westlaw and in law library. Drafted memoranda on legal issues such as statute of frauds, trade secrets, age discrimination, tax exempt property status, and amendment of zoning ordinances.

Hoglund, Chwialkowski & Greeman, P.L.L.P., Roseville, MN Summer 2000
Law Clerk, Responsible for the administrative work up of bankruptcy cases including filing documents with the court and corresponding with clients.

Guelzow & Laufenberg, Ltd., Trial Lawyers, Eau Claire, WI Fall Semester 1998
Legal Intern, Summarized medical records in trial preparation, updated personal injury specials, and drafted responses to interrogatories. Created net worth statements and tax summaries for family law settlements.

GUEST SPEAKER

- National Business Institute: Estate Administration - Being Thorough To Close The Estate Without A Hitch And Common Issues To Be Prepared For In Probate Litigation (2011)
- Seminar: Plan For The Future. How An Estate Plan Helps Put You In Control (2010)
- Seminar: No-Fault – Handling Insurance “Investigations” (2010)
- Minnesota Association For Justice: No-Fault Arbitration Procedure Issues & Strategies (2008)