

HAMID SAAHIR

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EDUCATION

University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law, Washington, DC

Juris Doctor Candidate

May 2020

Activities: Vice-Chair, National Bar Association, Law Student Division, 2017-18
Law Symposium Chair/Past President, Muslim Law Students Association

Elective Courses: Advanced Contracts: Government Procurement, Legal Drafting,
Legislation Clinic, and Negotiations

Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN

Bachelor of Fine Arts, Graphic Design

May 2006

EXPERIENCE

Office of the People's Counsel (OPC), Washington, DC

Summer Law Clerk

Summer 2018

- Conducted legal research and analysis on utility and energy consumer protection regulation in the District of Columbia focusing on CERCLA, PEPCO's Capital Grid Project, and electric vehicle charging stations.
- Drafted research memos regarding consumer utility bill increases due to compliance of federally mandated environmental cleanups of hazardous materials to the environment.
- Participated in negotiations with major utility companies to advocate that consumers are not charged for services where they would not receive a benefit.

Masjid Muhammad, Inc., Washington, DC

Legal Resource/Director of Communications

April 2014 – Present

- Member on Board of Advisors to review contracts and agreements as the organization makes business decisions prior to review of legal counsel.
- Provide analysis and suggestions regarding business development, affordable housing construction, and procurement of federal grants.
- Assisted in registering the logo trademark of the organization by securing supporting documentation that established the first date of use and scope of use of the logo.
- Built the organization's website, managed Google for Work, created weekly e-newsletters, also designed graphics for website and print publications.

McKinley Technology High School (DCPS), Washington, DC

Teacher

April 2015 – Present

- Educates 100+ students, through six classes, teaching technology skills in Microsoft Office, Adobe Creative Suite, WordPress, Verizon Innovative Learning and academic online resources.
- Teach students graphic design, web design, and entrepreneurial skills.
- Liaison with parents to maximize students' learning opportunities and potential.
- Collaborate with teachers to create lesson plans that meet the standard requirements for high school graduation, specialized student goals and individual education plans (IEP).

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D.C. Law Students in Court, Washington, DC

Summer Intern

Summer 2017

- Worked in the housing consumer protection legal clinic, primarily serving low income and elderly residents with landlord tenant issues.
- Drafted memoranda, discovery responses, motions to dismiss, client letters, and legal research on a variety of housing and consumer law issues.
- Conducted on-site client intake at the court house with tenants who were facing eviction.
- Participated in pretrial litigation hearings and mediations assisting the lead attorney representing the client in negotiations with the opposing party and counsel.

The National Latino Farmers and Ranchers Association Washington, DC

Volunteer

September 2016 – August 2017

- Updated website and provided organization with advice on how to improve the website and email communication to better serve the farming community.
- Gained cultural understanding of the farmer and rancher community.
- Reviewed agriculture legislation news related to the concerns of the association.

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc., Washington, DC

Deputy Director/Chief Information Officer

February 2013 – April 2014

- Created logos and graphics, managed website, created weekly e-newsletter, managed national social media campaigns, provided membership customer service solutions, and crowd funded \$300,000.
- Wrote correspondence, renewed memberships, and reactivated chapters in college and alumni associations.
- Engaged the organization's participation in the initial enrollment for the Affordable Healthcare Act by sending newsletters and organizing national communication.
- Executed objectives with board members and directors to meet goals for collegiate and graduate chapters.

4Cast Magazine, Inc., Indianapolis, IN

Owner/Graphic Designer

July 2007 – January 2013

- Created graphics, designed print layout, and directed photography.
- Drafted articles, designed layout, handled day-to-day operations, and coordinated production of print publication.
- Hired and managed staff, mentored interns, established relationships with community stakeholders, as well as sold advertisements, photographed events, and interviewed public figures.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Technical Skills: LexisNexis Proficiency Certification, Microsoft Office Specialist, Adobe Creative Suite, WordPress, and MailChimp

Memberships: H-Street Festival Planning Committee - Event Logistics Chair;

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Sigma Sigma Sigma Chapter – Communications Committee