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CURRENT POSITION

GLOBAL SPORTS ADVOCATES
Counsel

Portland, ME

- I represent athletes and sport bodies in sporting disputes around the world, including disputes involving anti-doping, team selection, misconduct, safeguarding, and eligibility.
- I regularly handle cases before international federations, the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), national anti-doping organizations, and the U.S. Center for SafeSport.
- I also serve as pro bono counsel for the International Ice Hockey Federation and on the legal aid list for the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee.

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Trial Attorney – Human Rights and Special Prosecutions Section

Washington, DC

2023-2025

- I investigated and prosecuted cases in federal courts around the United States involving human rights, human smuggling, and international violent crimes. I served as trial counsel in multiple federal trials.
- I also served in the Federal Major Crimes Section of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia, prosecuting violent crime, gun trafficking, and child exploitation offenses.

COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

Assistant Attorney General – Special Prosecutions Unit

Denver, CO

2021-2023

- I prosecuted homicides and conducted investigations into fraud, tax evasion, and human trafficking.

U.S. CENTER FOR SAFESPORT

Senior Legal Counsel

Denver, CO

2019-2021

- I served as legal counsel to the U.S. Center for SafeSport, the U.S. safeguarding agency for Olympic sport. I developed safeguarding policies, arbitrated cases, and litigated in federal court.

- I helped draft and support the passage of the federal *Empowering Olympic, Paralympic, and Amateur Athletes Act of 2020*.

MANHATTAN DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Assistant District Attorney

New York, NY

2015-2019

- I prosecuted violent crime throughout Manhattan and served in the Human Trafficking Response Unit.
- I served as lead counsel in numerous hearings, bench trials, and jury trials.

EDUCATION

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL

Juris Doctor (cum laude)

Cambridge, MA

May 2015

DUKE UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Arts in Public Policy

Durham, NC

May 2012

Bar Admission: New York, Colorado, and the District of Columbia