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**EDUCATION**

**Columbia University Law School, New York, NY** *J.D. May 2003*  
**Honors & Activities:** Stone Scholar, Certificate in International and Comparative Law from the Parker School for Foreign and Comparative Law, *Human Rights Law Review*, National Lawyers Guild, Prison Access Working Group

**Central European University, Budapest, Hungary** *Spring 2002*  
Studied international human rights in the Legal Studies Department as part of a semester exchange program.

**St. John's College, Annapolis, MD** *B.A. Liberal Arts, May 1996*

**Juan Sisay Spanish School, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala** *November – December 2004*  
Studied intermediate level Spanish with a language tutor one-on-one for five hours a day for five weeks.

**EXPERIENCE**

**Legal Aid Society, Criminal Defense Division, Bronx, NY** *July 2007 – Present*  
*Staff Attorney*  
Represent indigent defendants in all aspects of their criminal cases.

**Law Office of Jesse M. Siegel, New York, NY** *September 2005 – July 2007*  
*Associate*  
Participate in all aspects of private practice specializing in representing indigent defendants in federal court. Draft pre-trial legal memoranda, sentencing memoranda and other papers. Argue for the release of clients at bail hearings. Negotiate with Assistant United States Attorneys. Prepare briefs for submission to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals. Communicate with clients in Spanish and English, and interpret attorney-client conferences. Coordinate hiring and management of interpreters and expert witnesses. Performed direct examination of adverse witness at an Article 440 hearing.

**Chambers of Judge Robert Patterson, SDNY, New York, NY** *September 2003 – 2004*  
*Law Clerk*

**A Jailhouse Lawyer's Manual, New York, NY** *September 2002 – May 2003*  
*Executive Editor*  
Managed self-help legal guide for prisoners published by the *Columbia Human Rights Law Review*. Drafted chapter revision of "State Habeas Corpus: Florida, New York and Texas" for *2002 Supplement to the Fifth Edition*. Responded to inmate correspondence, referred inmates to appropriate resources, and systematized refer mail process. Created and supervised journal staff assignments. Coordinated publicity and advertising.

**Columbia University Public Interest Law Initiative, Budapest, Hungary** *Summer 2002*  
*Legal Intern*  
Researched the implications of the European Union accession process for drug policy. Authored a manual detailing advocacy strategies for drug policy activists in Central and Eastern Europe. Returned to Budapest in November 2002 to present research at a workshop sponsored by Open Society Institute, International Harm Reduction Development project.

**Legal Aid Society, Prisoners' Rights Project, New York, NY** *January 2002 – March 2002*  
*Charles Evans Hughes Fellow*  
Interviewed inmates at Rikers Island jail who had been abused by corrections officers. Advocated on behalf of inmate clients by corresponding with New York City bureaus charged with overseeing Correction Department of New York. Developed a guide to using New York City Civil Court and Small Claims Court for inmates who wish to sue NYC for damages for lost or stolen property while incarcerated in NYC jails.

**International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, Arusha, Tanzania** *Summer 2001*  
*Legal Intern*  
Served as legal intern in the Office of the Prosecutor, Media Trial Team. Researched jurisprudence of the ad hoc international criminal tribunals in order to draft motions and prepare supporting materials. Prepared indictment. Assisted with witness preparation and interviewing on site in Rwanda. Reviewed judgment and drafted memo for points of appeal.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Admitted New York State bar, Southern District of New York and Eastern District of New York. Member New York City Bar Association, Corrections Committee and National Lawyers Guild. Proficient in Spanish.