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BAR ADMISSION **The State Bar of California**, Admitted December 2013, Bar Number: 294927, *Inactive*

EDUCATION **UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA SCHOOL OF LAW**, Athens, GA

Juris Doctor, May 2013

GPA: 3.28/4.0, *cum laude*

Journal: Journal of Intellectual Property Law, *Notes Editor*

Activities: American Constitution Society, *Immigration Chair*
Women Law Students Association

D.C. Semester in Practice, Fall 2012

Study Abroad: **University of Technology, Sydney**, Sydney, Australia

Australian Legal Perspectives & Comparative Corporate Law, *Summer 2011*

Visiting: **George Washington University School of Law**, Washington, D.C., *Spring 2013*

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY, Atlanta, GA

B.S. Psychology, December 2008

GPA: 3.84/4.0, *magna cum laude*

Honors: Dean's & President's List, Faculty Scholar, Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, Psi Chi (Psychology Honor Society), National Society of Collegiate Scholars

EXPERIENCE **PEOPLE FOR THE ETHICAL TREATMENT OF ANIMALS (PETA)** **Norfolk, VA**

Advertising Coordinator

2019 - Present

Research and develop advertising campaign strategies and methods. Make advertising purchase recommendations and obtain placement approval for TV, radio, billboard and other outdoor mediums, with over \$100k in ad space purchased. Manage records of paid ad requests/placements.

Legal Associate - Office of the President

2018 - 2019

Prepared reports, briefings, and responses on strategic issues. Coordinated and performed in-depth analyses in order to suggest strategies. Drafted correspondence and responded to inquiries/requests.

OGLETREE, DEAKINS, NASH, SMOAK & STEWART, PC

Austin, TX

Business Immigration Paralegal II

2016 - 2018

Prepared business immigration petitions and Request for Evidence responses, including changes of status/employer, extensions, consular processing, and executive petitions for Fortune 100 clients.

SELF-EMPLOYED

Austin, TX

Contract Paralegal

2014 - 2016

Assisted law firms throughout the U.S. with research and preparation of applications, amendments, petitions, briefs, motions, contracts, requests for evidence, etc., with an emphasis in immigration.

TROUTMAN SANDERS, LLP

Atlanta, GA

Government Affairs Clerk

Spring 2014

Tracked legislation, researched legal issues, and prepared memorandum. Attended committee hearings at state capitol and strategy sessions. Updated Fortune 500 clients of tracked bills' status.

DEP'T OF JUSTICE – OFFICE OF IMMIGRATION LITIGATION

Washington, D.C.

Legal Extern

Fall 2012

Drafted and filed an appellate brief and a motion on behalf of the government before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Attended training sessions on immigration law and effective legal writing. Researched regulations and case law related to immigration and jurisdictional issues.

COLEMAN LEGAL GROUP, LLC

Alpharetta, GA

Lead Paralegal

2008 - 2009

Trained and supervised three paralegals. Performed client interviews, legal research, and public record searches, along with bankruptcy petitions, loan modifications, and probate matters.