

Katharine L. Milton

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Massachusetts Law Reform Institute, Boston, MA October 2018 – Present

Content Editor for Mass Legal Services (October 2018 – Present): Develop and organize legal content for a statewide website to assist legal aid attorneys representing clients with their related legal needs.

Public Policy Fellow (October 2018 – June 2019): Conduct legal research on policy issues related to the creation and preservation of affordable housing, as well as emerging trends in fair housing policies.

Massachusetts Senate Office of Senator Cynthia Creem, Boston, MA May 2019 – July 2019

Legislative Intern: Gained familiarity with the work of elected officials, staff, and the legislative process. Conducted research and drafted a bill to request the establishment of a legislative task force.

Casa Myrna Vazquez, Inc., Boston, MA June 2009 – June 2017

Co-Managing Attorney for Administration (June 2015 – June 2017): Supervised, trained, and mentored the legal program staff of an advocacy organization serving survivors of domestic violence. Directed the implementation and evaluation of new legal service programs. Collaborated on the development of the agency's database to enhance case and grant management. Oversaw the application, administration, and reporting process for multiple state, federal, and private grants.

Staff Attorney (June 2009 – June 2015): Represented litigants in family law matters and abuse prevention hearings. Provided legal advice and counseling to *pro se* litigants and service providers.

Legal Advocacy Resource Center, Boston, MA April 2007 – May 2009

Staff Attorney: Provided legal advice and counseling to indigent clients on various legal issues including housing, family, employment, government benefits, debt collection, bankruptcy, and foreclosure matters. Developed materials for *pro se* litigants regarding legal procedures. Participated in community outreach projects, trainings, and workshops. Supervised paralegals and law students.

Greater Boston Legal Services, Boston, MA May 2004 – January 2007

Housing Unit Attorney, Temporary Position (September 2006 – January 2007): Negotiated settlements and conducted litigation on behalf of tenants facing eviction proceedings.

Housing Unit Legal Intern (August – December 2004): Assisted indigent clients in identifying and overcoming legal barriers to securing affordable housing.

Employment Unit Legal Intern (May – August 2004): Assisted individuals in enforcing their rights to minimum wage, unemployment benefits, overtime pay, and timely payment of wages.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Action for Boston Community Development, Boston, MA February 2001 – October 2002

Housing Specialist: Advocated for homeless and at-risk populations searching for affordable housing. Advised clients facing evictions, filed court documents, and assisted in mediation.

Central American Resource Center, Los Angeles, CA

August 1999 – August 2000

Paralegal: As part of AmeriCorps/Jesuit Volunteer Corps, prepared immigration forms, including applications for citizenship, family petitions, adjustment of status, and employment authorization applications. Prepared VAWA self-petitions for victims of domestic violence.

BAR ADMISSION

Admitted practice in Massachusetts, November 2007

EDUCATION

University of Massachusetts Boston

Graduate Certificate, Gender, Leadership and Public Policy, May 2019

Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA

Juris Doctor, May 2006

Providence College, Providence, RI

Bachelor of Arts, cum laude, Humanities and Spanish, May 1999

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS AND HONORS

Recognized as a *Massachusetts Rising Star* by *Super Lawyers Magazine* (2013)

Recognized for *Excellence in the Law* as an *Up and Coming Lawyer* by *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly* (2012)

Selected as a fellow in the *Public Interest Leadership Program* of the Boston Bar Association (2008-2009)

PROFESSIONAL/VOLUNTEER AFFILIATIONS

Somerville Commission for Persons with Disabilities

Commission Participant (2018-present)

East Somerville Main Streets

Vice President of Board of Directors (2017-present)

Boston Bar Association

Civil Rights Steering Committee (2013-2016)

M. Ellen Carpenter Financial Literacy Program (2007-2011)

Womens' Bar Association

Mentor, Family Law Advocacy Program (2010-2018)

Domestic and Sexual Assault Council (2009-2017)

Rosa Parks Committee (Civil Rights) (2007-2014)

Legal Advocacy and Resource Center

Member, Board of Directors (2012-2016)

LANGUAGE SKILLS Fluent in Spanish