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Professional Experience

- 2012-current: **Attorney** in private practice, **Young & Wilson, PC** since 2017. Previously **Morrisette, Young & Wilson, PC, since 2013**. Criminal defense, civil litigation, municipal law, estate planning, family/juvenile law, appellate practice, employment/labor law. **Primary public defender counsel**, Essex County, Vermont, under contract with the Vermont Defender General. **Lead counsel for busy criminal defense practice, including both private and indigent clients (for the Vermont Office of the Defender General)**
- 2011-2012: **Law Clerk, Attorney, Jarvis, McArthur & Williams, Burlington, VT.**, for law firm focusing on criminal defense, civil litigation and family law. Conducted legal research, drafted pleadings, motions, briefs and other legal documents, assisted at jury draws and criminal trials, carried out investigative work in support of defense.
- 2011-2019: **Commissioner and Alternate, Act 250 District 7, Natural Resources Board**, State of Vermont. Includes conducting hearings and pre-hearings, reviewing Act 250 applications, conducting site visits, issuing findings on Act 250 land use permits.
- 2008-2011: **Law Clerk, Sleight & Williams, Attorneys at Law, St. Johnsbury, VT.** Conducted much of the firm's legal research and assisted in drafting complaints, pre-trial motions, petitions for injunctive relief, supporting memoranda of law, sentencing memoranda, appellant briefs and other pleadings, including in the Vermont Superior Court--Criminal and Civil Divisions, Vermont Supreme Court, United States District Court for the District of Vermont, 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals and the Vermont Department of Labor; client interviews; review of discovery; assistance in jury draw and trial preparation.
- 2007-2008: **Law Clerk, Essex County State's Attorney's Office, Orleans, VT.** Prepared all discovery materials; interviewed victims and witnesses; prepared plea offers and referrals to court diversion program; conducted legal research; provided support at arraignments, calendar calls, status conferences, merits hearings, pre-trial conferences, sentencing hearings, jury draws and trials.
- 2006-2012: **Town Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Guildhall, VT and Treasurer, Guildhall School District.** Recorded and maintained land records, vital statistics, and animal licenses; oversaw and managed all elections, participated in Board of

Civil Authority and Board of Abatement proceedings; managed all municipal budget and finances; acted as Treasurer for the Guildhall School District.

- 2004-2006: **Conference Manager, Mt Washington Hotel and Resort, Bretton Woods, NH and Mountain View Grand Resort and Spa, Whitefield, NH.** Managed the resorts' corporate, educational and non-profit events of up to 500 attendees.
- 1994-2004: **Senior Counselor and Clinic Assistant, Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts, Brookline, MA.** Oversaw and managed a staff of 15 reproductive health care counselors and clinic assistants.
- 1986-1990: **Union Organizer, Union of Needle Trades, Industrial, and Textile Employees, (UNITE!) AFL-CIO, North Dartmouth, MA.** Responsible for designing and implementing trade union organizing campaigns throughout the New England region and the Deep South.

EDUCATION

Vermont Four Year Law Study Clerkship (pursuant to Vermont Rules of Admission §6(g)(1). Administered by the Vermont Supreme Court in conjunction with the Vermont Board of Bar Examiners, 2011.

Emerson College, Boston, MA, Master of Fine Arts in Film & Writing.
Honors: Graduate Student of the Year Award, 1992.

Yale University, New Haven, CT., Bachelor of Arts, Magna Cum Laude, concentration in History.

BAR ADMISSIONS, MEMBERSHIPS

Vermont, 2011.

New Hampshire, 2018.

U.S. District Court for the District of Vermont, 2012.

U.S. District Court for the District of New Hampshire, 2018.

Member, Vermont Bar Association, New Hampshire Bar Association, American Bar Association; **President**, Caledonia County, (VT) Bar Association, 2015-2020.

OTHER SKILLS

Fluent in *Spanish*.