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Summary: Experienced government affairs professional and attorney who advocates for clients seeking to shape legislation and public policy. Represents companies; industry, trade and professional associations; and advocacy groups in lobbying state and federal government agencies and officials.

EXPERIENCE

Matthew Hallisey Government Affairs, LLC, Glastonbury, CT 2013-Present
Managing Principal

- Advocate the public policy interests of businesses, organizations and individuals before the Connecticut General Assembly and state and federal agencies.
- Identify potential business and economic development opportunities and implement strategies for obtaining government assistance.
- Provide unique services to other lobbyists and government relations professionals.
- Organize and operate industry trade and professional associations.

Silvester & Kappes, Hartford, CT 2013-2017
Attorney

- Represented insurance companies, physicians, property owners and other defendants in claims related to general liability, professional liability, and workers' compensation.
- Researched case law and statutory history and draft pleadings and legal memorandums.

Connecticut Construction Industries Association, Inc., Wethersfield, CT 2006-2013
Director of Government Relations and Legislative Counsel

- Advocated the public policy interests of the commercial construction industry. Responsible for compliance with state ethics and campaign finance laws and regulations.
- Spearheaded strategic initiatives that led successfully to bills becoming law; testified before committees and agencies; drafted legislation; published weekly newsletter. Served as safety committee liaison.
- Administered and managed sector-specific environmental and utilities division as executive director.

Connecticut Bar Association, New Britain, CT 1998-2006
Director of Government Relations and Legislative Counsel

Represented voluntary professional association of attorneys in government affairs.
Significant accomplishment: led successful efforts to adopt a fully-funded lawyers assistance program.

Legislative Commissioners' Office, Hartford, CT 1996-1998
Nonpartisan Legislative Attorney to the Public Safety and Housing Committees
 Drafted legislation under the purview of committee chairmen and counseled legislators on the legal and public policy implications of statutory language. Acted as parliamentarian to the committees, which required a thorough understanding and application of the Joint, House and Senate Rules. Briefed committee members and caucus staff on legislation to prepare for consideration of bills and floor debate. Responsible for providing guidance on and interpretation of rules of ethics to legislators and officials. Advised Office of Legislative Management on legal issues affecting employees of Legislative Branch.

Connecticut Judicial Branch, Hartford, CT 1994-1996
Temporary Assistant Clerk
 Served as a clerk for the Judicial Branch in Hartford Superior Court, where I assisted the Civil judges presiding on the bench during hearings, trials and short calendar motions by reviewing the court file for procedural and evidentiary deficiencies. Researched procedural and substantive law matters; drafted orders and procedural memoranda, and acquired knowledge in court procedure and etiquette.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Hartford County Bar Association Hartford, CT
Board of Directors, June 2015-Present
- Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers - Connecticut, Inc. Rocky Hill, CT
Board of Directors, 2005-Present
- Connecticut Workers Compensation Classification and Rating Appeals Board of the National Council on Compensation Insurance, *Member*, 2006-Present Boca Raton, FL
- Rotary Club of Hartford, *Member*, 2018-Present Hartford, CT

BAR ADMISSIONS

State of Connecticut
 Superior Court – Juris No. 410071 December 1994

United States District Court
 District of Connecticut – Federal Bar Number: ct14636 February 1995

EDUCATION

University of New Hampshire Franklin Pierce School of Law Concord, NH
Juris Doctor, May 1994

College of the Holy Cross Worcester, MA
Bachelor of Arts, History, May 1986