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Legal Experience	Attorney at Law 6/11 to Present Zerger & Mauer LLP Associate attorney with a start-up boutique firm focusing in all forms of commercial litigation, employment defense litigation and municipal government representation.
	Attorney at Law 3/10 to 5/11 Spencer Fane Britt and Browne LLP Associate attorney focusing on labor and employment defense litigation and employment law counseling and advice for employers.
	Attorney at Law 6/08 to 3/10 Bryan Cave, L.L.P. Associate attorney focusing in commercial litigation and labor and employment litigation for a large, international law firm.
Education	Juris Doctor – <i>Summa cum Laude</i> UMKC School of Law – December 2007
	Masters in Criminal Justice – Washburn University – 2003
	B.A. in Criminal Justice – Park College – 1998
	A.A. in Administration of Justice – JCCC – 1992
Bar Admissions	State of Missouri – 2008
	State of Kansas – 2008
	U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri – 2008
	U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas – 2010
Professional Memberships	KCMBA – Member 2009 to Present
	Johnson County Bar Association – Member 2009 to Present
	Missouri Bar Association – Member 2008 to Present
	Kansas Bar Association – Member 2008 to Present
	KCLegal – Member 2008 to Present
	Lambda Alpha Epsilon C.J. Fraternity – Member 2006 to 2008
	Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity – Vice Magistrar 2006 to 2007
	Leawood Fraternal Order of Police 1987 to 1993 Chapter President 1992 to 1993

Community Involvement	JCCC Board of Trustees St. Andrew Christian Church – Member Johnson Countians for Justice – Steering Comm. Johnson County Rape Evidence Collection Team Riley County Crisis Center Volunteer Advocate	2008 to Present 2008 to Present 2008 1987 to 1998 1985 to 1986
Other Professional Experience	Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice Johnson County Community College Law Enforcement Officer Overland Park Police Department (1993-2006) Leawood Police Department (1986-1993) Civilian Police Advisor United Nations International Police Task Force Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina	2006 to 2008 1986 to 2006 1998 to 1999
Law School Recognition	Order of the Barrister UMKC Law Review – Note and Comment Editor UMKC Appellate Advocacy Special Achievement Award Regional ABA Moot Court Competition – 7 th Place, Individual National Adoption Law Moot Court – 2 nd Place, Individual National Moot Court Team – Best Brief, Regional Michael H. Coburn Legal Advocacy Fund Scholarship UMKC Ellison Moot Court Competition – Best Oralist John L. Sheridan Appellate Advocacy Award David Wilbur Pansing Memorial Scholarship Law Enforcement Scholarship	
Professional Recognition	Winner National L.A.E. Competition, Professional Division – 2008 Winner Regional L.A.E. Competition, Professional Division – 2006, 2007 Kansas Silver Award for Police Service – 1997 KMBC-TV Award for Valor – 1996 Regional Police Academy Distinguished Instructor Award – 1996 Leawood Optimist Club Officer of the Year – 1991	
Military Service	Strategic Military Intelligence Analyst United States Army – Active Duty Army Commendation Medal – 1983 / 1984 Army Achievement Medal – 1981 Army Good Conduct Medal – 1981	1978 to 1984