

MELISSA GOULD

EDUCATION

University of Cambridge

Master of Law (LL.M.)

- Graduated with Honors
- Thesis: “The Admissibility of Evidence Seized in Violation Of the Knock-and-Announce Rule”

Cambridge, UK

2007-2008

City University of New York School of Law

Juris Doctor

- Recognized in top 5% of class

New York, NY

2004-2007

University of Western Ontario

Bachelor of Arts, Major in Sociology

- Graduated with distinction on Dean’s Honor List

Ontario, Canada

2001-2004

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Office of State Attorney

12th Judicial Circuit

- Worked in misdemeanor and felony divisions prosecuting a wide variety of cases
- Currently specializing in white collar crimes, crimes against the elderly and felony animal cruelty charges
- Regularly conduct community outreach/educational initiatives

July 2012 -Present

Oakland University

Lecturer

- Taught Family Law, Constitutional Law and Judicial Process

Rochester, MI

April 2011- May 2012

Lyngklip and Associates Consumer Law Center

Contract Attorney

- Defended consumer protection cases under the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act

Southfield, MI

2011- 2012

Kelly Law Registry

Contract Attorney

- Worked on a wide range of legal issues with a special focus on contract law and antitrust litigation

Troy, MI

Nov. 2009– May 2012

Cole Scott & Kissane, P.A.

Associate Attorney

- Handled claims involving officers and directors of condominium, homeowner and community associations
- Worked on discrimination actions against employers, malpractice suits against professionals and personal injury actions involving businesses and private properties

Tampa, Florida

Dec. 2008–May 2009

LEGAL INTERNSHIPS/ASSISTANTSHIPS

NYS Attorney General's Office, Health Law Litigation Bureau Intern

**New York, NY
Fall 2006**

- Conducted advanced legal research and writing for actions concerning professional misconduct among physicians and other health care professionals

NYS Criminal Court, Queens, New York, Judge Arthur J. Cooperman Judicial Intern

**New York, NY
Summer 2006**

- Conducted advanced legal research and wrote draft orders and decisions

CUNY School of Law

**New York, NY
Fall 2006
Summer 2006**

- Served as a Teaching Assistant for evidence course for Professor John Cicero
- Updated treatise *Employment Discrimination Law and Litigation* for Professor Marrick Rossein

PRO BONO LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Tampa Jewish Community Centers and Federation

**Tampa FL
Fall 2008 -Present**

- Provide consultation on an ongoing basis on a range of legal matters

University of Michigan Law School

**Ann Arbor, MI
July 2009 – Oct. 2009**

- Reviewed cases for the Innocence Clinic

AWARDS

- Recognition of Excellence by MADD Florida (Finalist for Prosecutor of the Year) **2015**
- University of Western Ontario Scholarship of Distinction **2001**
- Harmony Movement Award Recipient (one of 10 Canadian national award honorees for leadership in combating racism and anti-Semitism) **2001**
- Flare Magazine Volunteer Award Recipient (one of 6 Canadian women to be honored nation-wide for volunteerism) **2001**
- TD Canada Trust Award of Merit (one of Canada's most prestigious scholarships for outstanding community leadership) **2001**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Assist the Florida-Israel Business Accelerator (FIBA) as a volunteer strategic advisor
- Offered university golf scholarships; movie buff; traveled in France, Spain, England, Ireland, Austria, Germany, Poland, Italy, Greece, Turkey, Israel, Costa Rica, Canada and the U.S.
- Spearheaded North Bay, Ontario's First Annual Youth Volunteer Fair (provincial government subsequently replicated model in several other communities)