

Destini K. Bowman, Esq.

Qualified, Servant Leader, Integrity

EXPERIENCE

Monroe County Court, *Principal Law Clerk to Judge*, Rochester, NY, Jan. 2020 to present

- Draft opinions, decisions, orders, correspondence, and memoranda for county court judge related to Town and City Court appeals, CPL 440 and 330 motions, and pistol permit applications and suspensions.
- Research and analyze complex legal issues.
- Confer with lawyers on pending cases and review their filed legal documents.
- Advise judge on legal questions and issues and assist with managing caseload and calendar.

NY State Supreme Court, *Principal Law Clerk & Referee*, Rochester, NY, Jan. 2022 to present

- Analyze and process Article 81 guardianship cases, uncontested divorces, name changes & judgments.

Disability Rights New York, *Staff Attorney*, Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities, PADD, Rochester, NY, Oct. 2018 – Jan. 2020

- Represented clients at 17-A guardianship hearings; Advocated for clients to receive special education services under FAPE and benefits from NY Office of OPWDD; Maintained communication with clients.

Monroe County District Attorney's Office, *Assistant District Attorney*, Rochester, NY, Feb. 2012 to Sept. 2018

- Managed vertical prosecution of over 150 felony cases, 1000 misdemeanor cases.
- Handled over 25 Grand Jury presentations.
- Prosecuted over 15 misdemeanor and felony jury trials to conviction.
- Represented in Court for arraignments, motion arguments, hearings, trials, and bail applications.
- Drafted motions and researched legal issues.
- Interviewed and advised victims, witnesses, and law enforcement for case preparation.
- Negotiated plea dispositions with defense attorneys.

NY State Senate, *Legislative Fellow*, Hon. Ruth Hassell-Thompson, Albany, NY, Sept. 2010 to June 2011

- Analyzed, researched, and tracked legislation; coordinated with Counsel to brief Senator; conducted meetings with constituents and interest groups; coordinated community programming.

LEADERSHIP, COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & SELECTED HONORS

- Girl Scouts of Western New York, GSWNY - Lifetime Member, Service Unit Manager, Co-Troop Leader
- Greater Rochester Association of Women Attorneys, GRAWA – past Board of Directors Member
- Rochester Black Bar Association, RBBA – past Board Member
- Monroe County Bar Association, MCBA – past Committee Member
- Women's Bar Association of the State of New York, WBASNY – past Diversity Committee Co-Chair
- National Bar Association, NBA – past Region 2 and Young Lawyers' Division Board Member
- **Honors:** Girl Scouts of Western NY Woman of Distinction Honoree, 2024; Rochester Business Journal's Women of Excellence Honoree, 2023; *GRAWA's Ally Windsor Howell Championship of Diversity Award, 2020*; *Daily Record's Up and Coming Attorneys Award, 2014*

EDUCATION

Albany Law School, Albany, NY, Juris Doctor, May 2010, Admitted to NY State Bar, 2011

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, Bachelor of Science, School of Industrial and Labor Relations, May 2005

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