

MARY COLLINS

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EDUCATION

The University of Akron School of Law, Akron, OH

Candidate for Juris Doctor, expected May 2024

Honors: The University of Akron School of Law, Law Review, Staff Editor
David Dowd Award for Public Service, Recipient, Summer 2015

Activities: Public Interest Center, Affiliate
Social Justice Society, President

The University of Akron, Akron, OH

Bachelor of Arts in English, minor in Philosophy & History, May 2016

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Community Legal Aid Services, Akron, OH

September 2022- Present

Intern, Health Law & Policy

Work as part of a medical-legal partnership to assist clients with poverty law issues that impact health. Meet and interview clients onsite at medical facilities. Conduct research on inadequate access to education services, poor housing conditions, imminent eviction, public benefits, and lack of health insurance and present findings to attorneys and clients.

Ohio Attorney General's Office, Cleveland, OH

Summer 2022

Summer Intern

Investigated twelve employment discrimination complaints by interviewing complainants, respondents, and witnesses. Conducted two-party fact-finding hearings to investigate claims. Negotiated two settlements, and reported probable case determinations to the Regional Director.

City of Akron Law Department, Akron, OH

October 2021 – April 2022

Legal Intern, Criminal Division

Interviewed witnesses and attended arraignments. Wrote search warrants, drafted memoranda of law, and prepared supporting documents for submission with search warrants.

Akron Municipal Court, Akron, OH

Summer 2021

Law Intern, Chambers of Honorable Joy Newfield

Observed homicide trials from pre-trial hearings, through verdict and sentencing. Drafted memoranda of law, and observed arraignments and motions.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Akron Law Re-Entry Legal Clinics, Akron, OH

May 2023 - Present

Volunteer

Assist clinic clients with Certificates of Qualification for Employment (CQEs). Conduct client intake and advise on expungement process. Prepare expungement filings and appear in court proceedings.