

**ACBA NOMINATION APPLICATION FORM**

**To be completed by all individuals seeking nomination as an ACBA officer or member of the Board of Governors or the Judiciary Committee.**

**Return to the Nominating Committee, c/o David A. Blaner, Executive Director, ACBA, 400 Koppers Building, 436 Seventh Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15219 or to [dblaner@acba.org](mailto:dblaner@acba.org).**

**Attach a copy of your current resume.**

**Deadline for submission is Wednesday, February 9, 2022 by 4:00 p.m.**

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Year you became a member of the ACBA: 2018 Year of Bar Admission: 2020

Step 1: Identify any positions for which you would like to be considered by the Nominating Committee. If you would like to be considered for more than one position, please state your preference in numerical order (i.e., 1, 2, 3, 4).

President-Elect \_\_\_\_\_ Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_ Board of Governors X

Judiciary Committee \_\_\_\_\_



Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates, and Yemen.

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.

LGBTQ+. A person who is lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer (or questioning), plus. The "plus" is inclusive of the gender identities and sexual orientations that are not specifically covered by the other five initials.

An individual with a disability as defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

This definition may be amended by resolution of the Board of Governors from time to time as needed.

## ACBA Nominating Committee Application

Practice Areas/Courts in which you practice:

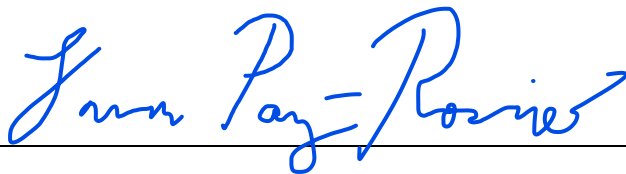
Workers' Compensation/Workers' Compensation Appeal Board (WCAB)  
and Commonwealth Court.

Please describe your involvement in ACBA Committees, Divisions/Sections, or activities over the last five (5) years:

I was a member of the Hispanic Attorneys Committee (HAC) as a 2L and 3L in law school while I was the President of the Hispanic American Bar Association at Duquesne University School of Law. In the summer of 2021 I was appointed as the Co-Chairman of HAC. By this summer of (2022) I will be appointed Chairman. I have helped organize and host events, fundraise for a local Hispanic/Latino food pantry, and I am currently in the process of advocating and attempting to have Allegheny County's Notice to Defend to be translated into Spanish for the County's growing Hispanic/Latino population. If selected I will continue to do my best to facilitate positive change in our county and to represent the ACBA Board of Governors proudly.

If you are applying for nomination to the Judiciary Committee, please describe experience, other than or in addition to litigation experience that makes you particularly able to evaluate candidates for judicial office:

Signature



Date 2/15/2022

NOTE: Please submit this form with a copy of your current resume.

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## **BAR ADMISSION**

Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, admitted in December 2020

## **EXPERIENCE**

### **Weber Gallagher Simpson Stapleton Fires & Newby, Pittsburgh, PA**

*Associate Attorney*, Winter 2021 – Present

- Presently representing and defending employers, insurance carriers, third-party administrators, and self-insured in workers' compensation matters.

### **Zagari & Associates, Pittsburgh, PA**

*Associate Attorney*, Winter 2020 – Winter 2021

- Experienced in practicing and litigating in the following areas of law:
  - Personal Injury
  - Insurance Law
  - Family Law
  - Criminal Law
  - Contract Law
  - Real Estate Law
- Proficient in conducting comprehensive research on complex issues of law, managing client intakes, excellent in client management, and regulating clients' expectations
- Knowledgeable in the PA Rules of Civil Procedure, and local court procedures
- Skilled in drafting and filing pleadings, preliminary objections and responses, discovery requests and responses, motions, and briefs.
- Experienced in negotiating settlements, conducting arbitration hearings, court hearings, depositions, and non-jury trials.

### **Henry-Taylor Law, Pittsburgh, PA**

*Associate Attorney*, Summer 2020 – Winter 2020

- Conducted hearings via Microsoft TEAMS pursuant to the Allegheny County Court Covid-19 procedures
- Advised clients in family, criminal and benefits rights law
- Experienced in legal research, drafting, and submission of legal documents including complaints, briefs, motions, and pleadings

### **U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Western District of PA, Pittsburgh, PA**

*Judicial Extern*, Spring 2020 – Summer 2020

- Assisted Chief Judge Carlota Böhm with legal research and writing projects such as drafting footnotes for opinions, background research on cases and filing legal documents

### **National Juvenile Defender Center, Washington, D.C.**

*Summer Law Clerk*, Summer 2019

- Briefed cases and prepared legal memos for supervising attorneys

**Duquesne Law Civil Rights Clinic, Pittsburgh, PA**

*Certified Legal Intern, Fall 2018 – Spring 2019*

- Advised indigent clients in need of legal assistance under the supervision of an attorney
- Collaborated with Harvard Law by writing a self-help guide for individuals interested in expunging their criminal records in Allegheny County, PA

**Allegheny County Courthouse, Pittsburgh, PA**

*Judicial Extern, Summer 2018*

- Witnessed and briefed numerous cases for Judge Woodruff and Judge McGough

**EDUCATION**

**Duquesne University School of Law, Pittsburgh, PA**

*Juris Doctor, May 2020*

Concentration: Corporate Governance and Transactions

Awards: McGinley Public Service Law Fellowship Award, 2019

Pro Bono Exemplary Service Award, 2020

President of the Hispanic American Bar Association (HABA) Fall 2018 – Spring 2020

- Organized a trip for HABA to attend the National Latino Law Student Association panel discussion on immigration policy and law at Georgetown Law
- Coordinated a meeting between HABA and Supreme Court Justice Sotomayor during her visit at Duquesne University
- Planned, hosted, and moderated a multicultural law school event in which diverse leaders in the Pittsburgh legal community such as Judge McGough, Eric Cottle (Partner at K&L Gates), Jennifer Andrade (Assistant U.S. Attorney, Western District of PA) and Tracey McCants Lewis (Deputy General Counsel of the Pittsburgh Penguins) spoke as panelists

Student Representative, Speaker & Recruiter, Fall 2018 – Spring 2020

- Traveled and spoke at multiple Law School Admission Council events across the country as the only Duquesne Law representative
- Spoke at numerous Duquesne Law events for recently admitted students

**George Mason University, Fairfax, VA**

*Bachelor of Science in Conflict Analysis and Resolution, May 2017*

Minors: Legal Studies; Criminology

Honors: Conflict Analysis and Resolution's Honor Society, Fall 2013 – Spring 2017

Varsity Rower on George Mason University's Crew Team, Fall 2013 – Spring 2017

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- Arbitrator on the Allegheny County Civil Division Arbitration Panel
- Co-Chairman of the Allegheny County Bar Association's Hispanic Attorneys Committee
- Member of the Allegheny County Bar Association's Strategic Planning Committee

**SKILLS**

- Leadership
- Public speaking
- Quick learner and adaptable
- Fast typist averaging eighty (80+) words per minute