

Thomas M. Hruz

EDUCATION

Marquette University Law School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Juris Doctor, magna cum laude, May 2002.

Cumulative GPA: 3.75 / 4.0

Class Rank: 5 out of 168

Honors: Dean's List, every semester.

Marquette Law Review, Note & Comment Editor.

2002 Golden Quill Award for Best Student Writing in the *Marquette Law Review*.

Activities: Research Assistant, (then) Professor Joseph D. Kearney.

Institute for Justice, Public Interest Law Summer School, Wash. D.C., 2000.

University of Wisconsin-Madison, La Follette School of Public Affairs, Madison, Wis.

Master of Arts in Public Affairs and Public Policy Analysis, May 1997.

Cumulative GPA: 3.96 / 4.0

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Bachelor of Arts in History & Political Science, summa cum laude, May 1995.

Cumulative GPA: 3.91 / 4.0

Honors: Graduate of University's Honors Program.

Awarded the 1994 William Renzi Scholarship for the Outstanding History Major.

Awarded the Spring 1994 Milwaukee Foundation-Joseph Derfus Scholarship.

Activities: Vice-president and team member of the UW-Milwaukee Wrestling Club.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Wisconsin Court of Appeals, District III, Wausau, Wisconsin

Judge, September 2014 to present.

Meissner Tierney Fisher & Nichols, S.C., Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Attorney, August 2004 to July 2014; Shareholder, January 1, 2009 to July 31, 2014.

- Rated by 2013 *Super Lawyers*® as a "Super Lawyer," and by 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012 *Super Lawyers*® as a "Rising Star" (awarded to only 2.5% of Wisconsin lawyers among attorneys 40 years old and younger or who have been in practice 10 years or less).
- Recognized as an "Up and Coming" Wisconsin Lawyer by the *Wisconsin Law Journal* (2011).

Marquette University Law School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Adjunct Professor of Law, Fall 2012 Semester.

- Teaching one of six sections in the School's Appellate Writing & Advocacy course, which is a mandatory course for students seeking a position in the School's Moot Court program.

Judge John L. Coffey, United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, Milwaukee, Wis.

Law Clerk, August 2003 – June 2004.

Justice David T. Prosser, Jr., Wisconsin Supreme Court, Madison, Wisconsin

Law Clerk, 2002 – 2003 Term.

NON-LEGAL WORK EXPERIENCE:

Wisconsin Policy Research Institute, Mequon, Wisconsin

Resident Fellow, June 1998 – May 2001; Adjunct Fellow, June 2001 – July 2002.

Consortium for Policy Research in Education, Madison, Wisconsin

Researcher and Analyst, June 1997 – May 1998.

J.C. Penney Catalog Outlet Store, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Merchandise Handler, March 1990 – August 1995 (full-time, June 1991 – August 1995).

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND ACTIVITIES:

- State Bar of Wisconsin.
Appellate Practice Section, Board Member (2009 to 2014); Chairperson (July 2013 to 2014); Secretary (July 2010 to June 2012).
- Marquette Law School Alumni Association, Board Member (2011 to present).
- The Hon. Robert J. Parins Legal Society of Northeast Wisconsin, Member.
- Outagamie County Bar Association, Member.
- Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association.
- Federalist Society, Member.
- Seventh Circuit Bar Association, Member.
- St. Thomas More Lawyers Society of Wisconsin, past President.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

- Board Member, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Greater Milwaukee (2005 to 2014).
- Regional Coordinator, State Bar of Wisconsin High School Mock Trial Tournament (2009 to present).
- Milwaukee Bar Association, Tutor, Sarah Scott Middle School Tutoring Program (2004- 2005).
- Yearly Volunteer, Guest House Sandwich Project (2007 to 2014).