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Christopher Zaruba

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Christopher J. Zaruba joined The Stogsdill Law Firm, P.C. in June of 2014. Prior to that, Chris was an Assistant State's Attorney at the DuPage County State's Attorney's Office from 2009-2014. Chris began his career at the State's Attorney's office handling traffic and misdemeanor offenses, including DUI's, orders of protection, and domestic batteries. In 2012, Chris received the Outstanding Misdemeanor Prosecutor of the Year award. He was promoted to the Felony Juvenile Division where he worked closely with DCFS in handling cases involving abused or neglected children. After working in the Juvenile Division, Chris was again promoted to the Felony Trial Division where he handled serious offenses including drug offenses, burglaries, and aggravated batteries. During his time at the State's Attorney's Office, Chris prosecuted over 300 cases to trial, including many jury trials. Prior to leaving the State's Attorney's Office, Chris was selected to participate in the National District Attorney's Association annual seminar on Trial Advocacy which he successfully completed. Now Chris primarily focuses his practice on the area of family law.

In January of 2014, Chris received the honor of being admitted to practice in front of the United States Supreme Court in Washington D.C. He is a member of the United States Supreme Court, Illinois State, and DuPage County bar associations.

Chris earned his Juris Doctorate degree from the John Marshall Law School in 2009. While on the Dean's list at the John Marshall Law School, he was recognized for receiving top honors in the areas of Evidence and Federal Criminal Procedure. Chris also clerked for the Honorable John W. Darrah of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

While attending the John Marshall Law School and while studying for the Illinois bar exam, Chris interned at the DuPage County State's Attorney's Office. During that time, he participated in trials and drafted motions. Prior to being admitted to the Illinois Bar, Chris assisted then-State's Attorney, Joseph Birkett, in successfully prosecuting DuPage County's last Death Penalty case.

He is active in the DuPage County Bar Association, and serves as the 2014 Chair of the Young Lawyers Committee. He was also invited to become and is a member of the Robert E. Jones chapter of the American Inns of Court.

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Chris earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science from the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana. He also completed a minor in History and was recognized on the Dean's List.

In his free time, Chris has been involved in numerous successful campaigns for Republican candidates throughout the State of Illinois and DuPage County.

Practice Areas:

- Divorce
- Child Custody
- Child Support
- Collaborative Law
- Mediation
- Family Law
- Appeals

Bar Admissions:

- Illinois, 2009
- United States Supreme Court, 2009

Education:

- John Marshall School of Law, 2009
 - J.D.
- University of Illinois Urbana Champaign, 2006
 - B.A., Political Science, History minor

Professional Associations and Memberships:

- DuPage County Bar Association
 - New Lawyer Committee
 - Chair, 2014-2015
 - Vice Chair, 2013-2014
- Robert E. Jones AIC of DuPage County
 - Member

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Honors and Awards:

- 2012 Outstanding Misdemeanor Prosecutor of the Year
- Dean's List, John Marshall School of Law
- Dean's List, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign
- CALI Award for Evidence and Federal Criminal Procedure

Past Employment Positions:

- DuPage County, Illinois, 2009-2014
 - Traffic Assistant
 - Misdemeanor Assistant
 - 1st. Chair - Domestic Violence
 - 1st. Chair - Orders of Protection
 - 1st. Chair - DUI
 - Felony Juvenile Assistant
 - Felony Trial Assistant
- Law Clinic - John W. Darrah United States District Court for Northern District of Illinois