

## **Alexander J. Kostal**

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### **EDUCATION**

#### **Marquette University Law School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

*Juris Doctor*, May 2017

Awards: Thomas More Law Scholarship, Herbert C. Hirschboeck Law Scholarship

Leadership: *Vice President*, Marquette Immigration Law Association

#### **University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

*Bachelor of Arts in History and Political Science*, May 2014

Leadership: *President*, Student Association of UWM

*Board Member*, United Council of UW Students

*Executive Board Member*, UW System Representatives Council

### **LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **Wisconsin State Public Defender – Milwaukee Trial Division, Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

*Assistant State Public Defender*, August 2017 through present

- Represent indigent criminal defendants, juveniles, and subjects of mental health commitment hearings in various cases. Participate in jury trials, preliminary hearings, plea and sentencing hearings, motion hearings, and all other courtroom activity required by my representation of a client. Research, write, and litigate motions pertaining to cases I am appointed on.

#### **Wisconsin State Public Defender – Milwaukee Trial Division, Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

*Student Practitioner*, September 2016 through May 2017

- Appeared on record before the court. Participated in status conferences, mental competency hearings, preliminary hearings, and various other courtroom activities. Researched criminal law matters. Drafted motions for review by supervising attorney. Met with clients to discuss case details.

#### **Milwaukee County, Economic Development Division, Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

*Legal Intern*, May 2016 through July 2016

- Researched and wrote projects on issues including county property assessments, Tax Incremental District (TID) implementation, and contractual county development projects. Collaborated with lawyers from the Corporation Counsel office on personnel review board adjudications.

#### **Milwaukee County Corporation Counsel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

*Legal Intern*, January 2016 through April 2016

- Drafted briefs and conducted corresponding statutory research. Served as a conduit for inter-governmental communication, including with various State departments. Contributed to issues related to employment, real estate, economic development, and mental health laws.

### **PROFESSIONAL AWARDS**

#### **Wisconsin Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (WACDL): Martin Hanson Memorial Prize**

- Received in 2021 for the successful defense at trial of a case of 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Intentional Homicide

#### **Wisconsin Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (WACDL): Sensitive Crimes Award**

- Received in 2022 for the successful defense at trial of a case of 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Sexual Assault

#### **Wisconsin Law Journal: Rising Young Lawyer Award**

- Received in 2022 for various legal accomplishments, including amount of trial acquittals won and complexity of successful litigation.