

GEORGE N. PAPACHRISTOS

PROFILE

Experienced former prosecuting attorney with excellent investigative skills. Outstanding researching, writing, analyzing and negotiating skills. Effective inter-personal skills developing confident and trusting relationships with law enforcement and victims of crimes. Successful in detail-oriented and deadline-driven environments. Fluent in Greek. Member of the Massachusetts Bar (2005). Member of the Federal Bar (2013)

TRAINING

Career Prosecutors Training, National College of District Attorneys South Carolina, 2006
Motions to Suppress, Motions in Limine Training (Suppression Issues) Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education Boston, 2007
Cross Examination Training, Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education Boston, 2007
Trial Adviser for the Harvard Law School Trial Advocacy Workshop Harvard Law School, January 2008

Advanced Reconstruction Training and Prosecution, Massachusetts District Attorney's Association Worcester, 2008
Forensic Evidence Training (DNA, Ballistics, Wound Analysis, G.S.R.) National College of District Attorneys San Antonio, TX, 12-2010

N.O.R.P.A.C. (Norfolk County Police Anti-Crime Task Force) *Narcotics Investigations and Search Warrants Training:* Norwood Police Department, April, 2011

Introduction to Cell Phone Investigations(Geocell Communications Intelligence) Quincy, 2011
Handling Drug Cases Seminar, Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education Boston, 2011

Norfolk County South Shore Street Crimes Unit Intelligence Meeting, Norfolk County Sheriff's Office Dedham, January, 2012
Gang Prevention Summit (United States Attorney's Office) Bentley University, March 15, 2012

N.O.R.P.A.C. (Norfolk County Police Anti-Crime Task Force) *Narcotics Investigations and Search Warrants Training:* Norwood Police Department, April, 2012

Speaker: *Norfolk County Superior Court Practical Skills Seminar* Norfolk Superior Court Dedham, April 25, 2012

Medico-Legal Death Investigation Training(Boston University School of Medicine Professional Studies in Applied Forensic Sciences and Criminal Investigations) Boston, May 14-18, 2012

Guns, Drugs and Money (Ballistics, Narcotics and Narcotics Investigations Training) Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education Boston, June 6, 2012

A Guide to Expert Witnesses in Criminal Cases Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education Boston, July 30, 2013

Divorce Law Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education Boston, May 30, 2013

Arrest, Search and Seizure in Massachusetts Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education Boston, June 11, 2013

The Nuts and Bolts of Voir Dire for District Court and Superior Court Practitioners Norfolk County Bar Advocate Seminar Norfolk Superior Court, April 30, 2103

The Norfolk County Veterans' Court Norfolk County Bar Advocate Seminar Dedham District Court, June 18, 2103

Handling Sexual Crimes From Investigation To Trial Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education Boston, June 17, 2016

Played role of Judge for Westborough High School Legal Studies Mock Trial Competition Westborough, January 10, 2013

Courtroom Training for Westwood Police Department Westwood Police Station, MA February and March, 2013

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National Association of Distinguished Counsel

AWARD 2015: Nation's Top One Percent

Super Lawyers

AWARD 2015: Top Attorneys in Massachusetts Rising Star (published in Boston Magazine, November 2015)

*American Institute of Criminal Law Attorneys
Criminal*

AWARD 2016: Best 10 Under 40 Attorneys In Massachusetts

National Academy of Family Law Attorneys

AWARD 2016: Top 10 Under 40 Nationally Ranked for Excellence in Field of Family Law

EXPERIENCE

Private Practice

December, 2012

Norfolk District Attorney's Office

Norfolk County, MA, June 2005 – October, 2012

Assistant District Attorney

- Approximately 50-80 hours (or more) per week.
- Trainings conducted for the Office:
 - 2006: Conducted mock OUI Trial for Cadets leaving the academy.
 - 2007: Produced 2 videos for the Office to be shown as training for new ADA's and police. (OUI and Narcotics Distribution Charge with School Zone Violation)
 - 2011: conducted training for the Office on how to introduce a breathalyzer result into evidence.
 - 2012: speaker at the Norfolk County Superior Court Benchbar Committee, representing the Norfolk County District Attorney's Office at practical skills seminar in the area of Crash Reconstruction and "Black Box" data and their application in court with relation to *Daubert-Lanigan* issues.
- Promoted to Superior Court Assistant District Attorney, September 2007.
- Promoted to second-in-command of the Motor Vehicle Homicide Unit, 2009.
- Promoted to the Narcotics Unit, March 2011.
- Spearheaded a four-month long grand jury investigation into a kidnapping and shooting case where two victims were forced at gunpoint to conduct a drug buy in order to produce a drug rip, that ended up opening a conspiracy involving other individuals and the current suspects in regards to gang activity, hiding of firearms, letters intended for witness intimidation, and conspiracy to impede the grand jury investigation and locate witnesses and victims.
- Part of the Superior Court Duty ADA rotation, requiring on-call ADA's for the period of a week for twenty-four hours a day to deal with search warrant issues, arrest issues, complicated extra jurisdictional arrests and search warrants, and as such have dealt with, shootings, white collar-crime cases, search warrants, arrest warrants, and civilian phone call complaints and or issues.
- Provided case summaries, updates and interpretation of case updates as they apply to the street-level of law enforcement to the NORPAC, Norfolk District Attorneys Office State Police Drug Task Force, and remaining police departments within the Norfolk County.
- Have presented cases on a regular basis in front of the Norfolk County Grand Jury since 2006, and have tried cases within the Superior Court Department for the County of Norfolk within the major felonies unit of the Norfolk County District Attorney's Office.
- Had active case load of approximately 20 to 40 cases in Norfolk Superior Court, comprising of drug trafficking, firearm/ammunition, assault with firearms, assaults on corrections officers in State Prison, multiple OUI/DUI offenders, armed robbery, assault with intent to murder, street crimes, firearm offenses, etc.
- Conducted several Grand Jury investigations involving Motor Vehicle Homicides and Motor Vehicle Manslaughter, Armed Robberies, Narcotics Trafficking and Distribution, Firearm Violations, Assault with Intent to Murder, Hazardous Waste Violations, and Larceny of Drugs from a Health Care Facility.
- Prosecuted Trafficking case with the Drug Enforcement Administration, DEA Special Agents and Task Force Agents, including FBI Robbery Task Force Members, and cases with the United States Postal Service, Investigative Division for drug trafficking, delivery and drug courier cases.
- Prosecuted cases involving white-collar crimes, domestic violence, misdemeanors and felonies from every District Court in Norfolk County from June 2005 to Present.
- Supervising Assistant District Attorney in Dedham District Court, August 2006 to August 2007.
- Supervised Norfolk County Assistant District Attorneys prosecuting cases originating out of Dedham District Court, including reviewing, assigning, and authorizing disposition of all criminal cases.

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- Researched numerous diverse issues pertaining to all areas of criminal law, varying from pre-indictment/pre-arrest to criminal trials.
- Drafted memoranda of law, discovery requests and responses, motion papers, oppositions to motions, indictments, grand jury subpoenas, grand jury summonses, etc.
- Promoted Norfolk County Motor Vehicle Homicide Team, August 2006.
- Handled the investigation and prosecution of fatalities involving motor vehicles anywhere in the County and at anytime during the each duty rotation. Sent to location of fatality and along with local and/or State Police, conduct an investigation as to what happened and whether criminal charges should issue.
- Worked with state and local police departments' reconstruction teams in assessing evidentiary findings concerning each fatality responded to.
- Successfully handled own appeal before the Appeals Court of Massachusetts on a conviction after jury trial, Commonwealth v. Jonathan Blye. Researched, drafted, and submitted memorandum of law, and subsequently argued case in front of Appeals Court of Massachusetts, receiving a favorable opinion as well as affirming of conviction.
- Handled appeals issues presented in cases prosecuted at the trial level by conducting research and drafting memoranda eventually submitted to the Appeals Court.
- Participated and conducted conferences with victims, possible witnesses, law enforcement and maintain communication regarding the status of a case throughout every stage of the criminal proceeding
- Conducted negotiations with defense counsel concerning every issue of a criminal case from bail status at arraignment, to structuring plea deals.
- Consulted with local and state police officers and detectives on various issues arising out of criminal investigations and active criminal cases.

Clerk Magistrate's Office, Quincy District Court, *Internship*

Quincy, June 2003 – September 2003

- Approximately 30-40 hours per week.
- Assisted general public with legal questions and concerns.
- Assisted Magistrate in Small Claims cases by researching pertinent legal issues and possible dispositions.
- Assisted Clerk in conducting probation violation surrender hearings and pre-trial conferences.
- Assisted Magistrate in conducting Magistrate Hearings in determining probable cause for the issuance of criminal complaints.

Investor's Bank and Trust, *Portfolio Accountant*

Boston, October 2001 – May 2002

- Responsible for identifying verifying price spreads on particular equity products vis a vis Market Indices (i.e. DJIA, S&P500).
- Reviewed and summarized Trade Verification Reports with Investment Advisers.
- Produced and analyzed portfolios of domestic and international Mutual Funds.
- Responsible for mutual fund general ledge accounting and generating financial reports.

EDUCATION

Massachusetts School of Law, *J.D.*

Andover, 2004

Suffolk University, *B.S., Paralegal Studies.*

Boston, 1999

LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS & ASSOCIATIONS

- Massachusetts Bar – Admitted to practice in May, 2005
- Massachusetts Bar Association – Member
- Senior Partners for Justice-Member
- Norfolk County Bar Association
- Boston Bar Association
- Massachusetts License to Carry Firearm – Class A