

# NATHAN A. CRANE

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## EDUCATION

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**George Mason University School of Law**, Arlington, VA

J.D., May 2004

· Litigation Clinic · Moot Court Participant · Completed Criminal Law Sequence

**Utah State University**, Logan, UT

B.A., May 2001

Major: Liberal Arts and Sciences

Minors: Business and Portuguese

Honors: Graduated *Cum Laude*; Member Golden Key National Honor Society

Activities: President's Leadership Council; Big Brother Volunteer; Student Campaign Manager;  
Intramural Sports

## LICENSES

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- Utah State Bar, No. 10165
- Federal District Court for the District of Utah
- Nevada State Bar, No. 9333
- 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals
- 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals
- United States Supreme Court

## EXPERIENCE

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**Snow, Christensen & Martineau**

*Of Counsel Trial Attorney*

May 2013 to Present

- Handle complex litigation in criminal and civil matters in both state and federal court.
- Represent police officers in federal civil rights litigation.
- Represent doctors and nurses in administrative matters with DOPL and the DEA.

**Stirba P.C.**, Salt Lake City, UT

*Trial Attorney*

September 2008 to May 2013

- Represent clients in complex criminal defense and civil litigation matters in both State and Federal court. Tried 4 jury trials.
- Successfully represented police officers and firefighters in §1983 civil rights claims in Federal District Court.
- Obtained a not guilty jury verdict representing a physician accused of committing insurance fraud.
- Represented physicians in DOPL and DEA administrative hearings.
- Appeared regularly in court for jury trials, motions hearings, and sentencing.
- Represented indigent criminal defendants in federal court pursuant to Criminal Justice Act.
- Successfully argued before the 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals obtaining a grant of summary judgment.

**United States Attorney's Office, District of Nevada, Las Vegas, NV**

*Assistant United States Attorney*

December 2007 to September 2008

- Member of the Organized Crime Strike Force responsible for prosecuting complex criminal organizations.
- Prosecuted individuals for a variety of charges including; RICO violations, Narcotic Distribution, Hobbs Act Robberies, Child Exploitation, Aggravated Identity Theft, Fraud and Counterfeit Currency cases.
- Responsible for all aspects of jury trials including handling all discovery, all motions practice, organizing evidence, presentation to jury and all post-conviction relief.
- Completed Criminal Federal Practice course at the National Advocacy Center.
- Project Safe Neighborhood Coordinator.
- Successfully tried 2 felony jury trials.

**Clark County District Attorney's Office, Las Vegas, NV**

*Deputy District Attorney*

September 2004 to December 2007

- Successfully tried 15 felony jury trials.
- Drafted numerous pretrial motions and responses to writs of habeas corpus.
- Researched and drafted appellate briefs filed with the Nevada Supreme Court, U.S. Federal District Court and the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.
- Argued before the Nevada Supreme Court.
- Negotiated over 950 felony cases.
- Successfully completed Department of Justice Trial Advocacy Seminar.

**United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Virginia, Alexandria, VA**

*Legal Extern*

September 2003 – May 2004

- Prosecuted criminal cases in Federal District Court under third year practice rule.
- Successfully prosecuted two criminal bench trials.
- Handled all preparation for trial, including, research and analysis, written and oral motions, filing deadlines, discovery requests, witness preparation, and oral arguments.

**White House, Washington, D.C.**

Office of National Drug Control Policy, *Law Clerk*

May 2003 – August 2003

- Created weekly memoranda for Director regarding pending state drug laws.
- Researched and analyzed pending state legislation on marijuana, drug courts, and drugged driving.
- Drafted model student drug testing legislation and drafted model drug impaired driving legislation.

**19<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Fairfax Circuit Court, Fairfax, VA**

*Intern* for the Honorable R. Terrence Ney

August 2002 – December 2002

- Drafted opinion letters.
- Created legal memoranda regarding civil and criminal matters for Judge Ney.

**HONORS / ACHIEVEMENTS/ AFFILIATIONS**

- Article entitled *Punitive Damages: What's Wealth Got To Do With It?* Published by the Washington Legal Foundation
- Eagle Scout and volunteer for Boy Scouts of America
- Languages: Portuguese and Creole
- Member Criminal Justice Act (CJA) Panel
- Executive Committee Member, Federal Bar Association, Utah Chapter
- Listed as "Rising Star" by Mountain States Super Lawyers Magazine 2011-2014

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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- Regular guest on KSL Newsradio *The Nightside Project*, as a legal commentator.
- Guest lecturer at S.J. Quinney College of Law.
- Testified as an expert witness in United States criminal law in the Central Criminal Court Dublin, Ireland, February 2008.
- *How To Respond To A Subpoena For Your Clients Records*, Professional CPA Seminar, Dec. 2013.
- *Law Enforcement: Warrantless Search and Seizure* – Governmental Law Seminar, Salt Lake City, Utah Nov. 2013.
- *Ethics Presentation – The Sarbanes-Oxley Act: Avoiding Obstruction of Justice* – FBA Criminal Law Seminar, Salt Lake City, Utah, May 2012.
- *Advising Clients Facing Federal Criminal Charges* – FBA Southern Utah Law Symposium, St. George, Utah, May 2012.
- *Interdiction Tactics* – Nevada Highway Patrol, Las Vegas, Nevada, April 2008.
- *Methamphetamine: A Deadly Drug* – Boy Scouts of America, April, 2008.
- *Laws of Arrest: Miranda and Terry Stops* – Nevada Department of Public Safety, October, 2007.
- *Search and Seizure* – Henderson Police Department, Henderson, Nevada, August, 2007.
- *Narcotics Laws and Clandestine Methamphetamine Labs* – Nevada Department of Public Safety, Las Vegas, Nevada, June 2007.