

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Appellate and trial litigator, with emphasis in First Amendment and religious freedom, civil rights litigation, employment discrimination in religious organizations, child abuse and sexual misconduct, and First Amendment offshoot doctrines, including clergy privilege.

WORK EXPERIENCE

ATTORNEY, KIRTON MCCONKIE, Salt Lake City, Aug 2013–Present

- Experienced in appellate litigation—state and federal appeals
- Work in firm’s First Amendment and Religious Freedom, Litigation, and Risk Management sections
- Ongoing civil rights litigation, including prisoner medical neglect and religious freedom claims
- Risk management and litigation management for several religious entities

COURT COUNSEL, SUPREME COURT OF PALAU, Koror, Palau, Sept 2012–August 2013

- Drafted appellate opinions and trial court orders and provided general counsel for nation’s judiciary

CLERK, UTAH COURT OF APPEALS, THE HONORABLE GREGORY ORME, Salt Lake City, Aug 2011–Aug 2012

LAW CLERK, UTAH ATTORNEY GENERAL, CRIMINAL APPEALS, Salt Lake City, April 2010–July 2011

- Researched, drafted briefs, and practiced moot arguments with attorneys

RESEARCH FELLOW, CENTER FOR LAW AND RELIGION AT BYU LAW, Provo, July 2009–Sept 2009

- Researched and edited treatise regarding First Amendment issues in the United States

INTERNATIONAL INTERN, LDS OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL, Moscow, Russia, May–July 2009

- Worked on advocacy surrounding religious freedom in multiple Eastern European countries

EDUCATION

J. REUBEN CLARK LAW SCHOOL, BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY, Provo, UT, 2011

Juris Doctorate, Cum Laude

- **BYU LAW REVIEW**, Editor
- **JOURNAL OF PUBLIC LAW**, Managing Editor of Training
- Teaching/Research Assistant, Cheryl Preston, Contracts and Internet Regulation, 2009–2011
- Moot Court: ABA National Team; Moot Court Travel Team; Moot Court Board of Advocates, Skills Training
 - Third Individual Advocate of Ninety, ABA Brooklyn National Moot Court Competition, winter 2011
 - Semi-Finalist, ABA Brooklyn National Moot Court Competition, winter 2011
 - Quarter-Finalist, Motley Boston Moot Court National Competition, winter 2010
 - Finalist, Rex E. Lee Moot Court Competition, National Team qualifier, fall 2009
 - Semi-Finalist, BYU 1L Moot Court Competition, winter 2009
- Trial Advocacy Program: Vice President; Trial Advocacy Travel Team
 - Quarter-Finalist, Costello National Trial Advocacy Competition, winter 2011
 - Champion, Linda Anderson Trial Advocacy Competition, fall 2010
 - Quarter-Finalist, Costello National Trial Advocacy Competition, winter 2010
 - Finalist, Linda Anderson Trial Advocacy Competition, fall 2009
 - Finalist, Woody Deem Trial Advocacy Competition, winter 2009

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

- Student Nominated/Faculty Selected Graduation Speaker, Class of 2011
- Christensen Excellence in Advocacy Award, 2011
- Edward L. Kimball, Humor in the Law Award, 2011

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY, Provo, UT, 2008

B.A. History/Business Management Minor

- Major GPA 3.77, Phi Kappa Phi Member, Dean’s List, Academic Scholarship
- Lewis-Clark State College, Lewiston, ID: Cross Country & Track and Field Athletic Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS AND AWARDS

- 2019 Pro Bono Publico Young Lawyer of the Year, Utah State Bar
- *Llewellyn Slept Here: A Short History of Sticky Contracts and Feudalism*, 91 OR. L. REV. 129 (2012)

Eli McCann emccann@kmclaw.com

- *Unwrapping Wraps: From Horse Traders to the Law of the Horse*, 25 BYU J. PUB. L. 1 (2012)
- *Shrinkwraps, Clickwraps, Browsewraps, and Cookiewraps: What to Expect when Contracting Online*, 29th ANNUAL STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE March 2011

ADMISSIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- Utah State Bar; Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals; Supreme Court of the United States
- LGBT and Allied Lawyers of Utah
- Appellate and Litigation sections of the Utah State Bar
- Member of the ACLU

HOBBIES & INTERESTS

I engage in regular creative humor writing, including ongoing pieces for The Beehive. I also produce a live storytelling show in Salt Lake City, called Strangerville Live. I am a mediocre triathlete and have competed in a handful of IRONMAN events. I travel internationally as much as I am able, knit more scarves than I could ever wear, and obsessively photograph my dog.