

## **Craig Mastantuono, J.D.**

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### LEGAL EXPERIENCE

#### **Mastantuono & Coffee S.C., Milwaukee, WI**

##### **Trial Attorney and Managing Partner, April 1999 to present**

Direct a legal services corporation specializing in criminal trial litigation in state and federal courts in Wisconsin. Represent clients in criminal misdemeanor and felony court cases, and in government investigations and crisis management situations. Plan and direct all operational aspects of the law office, including marketing, financial planning, and client base management.

#### **Office of the State of Wisconsin Public Defender, Waukesha, WI**

##### **Assistant Public Defender, Trial Division, September 1992 – March 1999**

Provided legal representation at the trial level to indigent adult defendants in criminal felony and misdemeanor cases. Prepared all aspects of each case, including investigation, research, motions, plea negotiation, preliminary hearing, trial, and sentencing hearing. Founded unit for specialization in defending drug prosecutions.

#### **Office of the Cook County Public Defender,**

##### **Law Intern, Felony Trial Division, September 1991 – May 1992**

Assisted attorneys representing indigent defendants in felony court cases. Conducted court proceedings pursuant to student practice rule, and researched legal issues.

#### **Rallo & Tepper Law Firm, Chicago, IL**

##### **Law Clerk, May 1991 – August 1991**

Researched issues in commercial civil litigation. Drafted memoranda, pleadings, and briefs. Assisted at trials developing strategy and preparing witnesses and exhibits.

### EDUCATION

#### **DePaul University College of Law**

##### **Juris Doctor, May 1992**

DePaul Business Law Journal

Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

Research Assistant, Constitutional Law Professor Rodney J. Blackman

#### **Loyola University of Chicago**

##### **Bachelor of Business Administration: Marketing, Minor: Sociology, May 1989**

University Housing Department Resident Assistant

Loyola University Rome Center Campus for Liberal Arts, 1986-87

### APPOINTMENTS

#### **Milwaukee County Circuit Court, Milwaukee, WI**

##### **Branch 18 Court Commissioner, 2011 to present**

Appointed by the Honorable Pedro Colon, Circuit Court, Branch 18.

#### **Port of Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI**

##### **Harbor Commissioner, 2006 to present**

Appointed by Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett to seven-member governing board with authority on all business leasing and policy decisions for the Port of Milwaukee.

#### TEACHING

##### **Marquette University Law School**

###### **Adjunct Faculty, 2014 - present**

Instruct Criminal Litigation course with Professor Daniel Blinka, focusing on preparing students to prosecute defend criminal cases and represent clients.

##### **Marquette University Law School Center for Continuing Legal Studies**

###### **Faculty, Annual Conference on Criminal Law, 2004 - present**

Present the Substantive Criminal Law Appellate Update during this annual conference for criminal law practitioners at Marquette University Law School.

##### **Carroll College, Waukesha, WI**

###### **Adjunct Faculty, Sociology Department, 1995 - 2006**

Taught Substantive Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure courses for advanced students majoring in Criminal Justice and Forensic Science.

##### **State of Wisconsin Public Defender Trial Skills Academy**

###### **Faculty Member, 2001 - 2005**

Instructor at annual trial skills training program for public defender staff attorneys and private bar participants.

#### ARTICLES

- Craig Mastantuono & Rebecca Coffee, *SOS: Defendants' Right to Counsel*, Wisconsin Lawyer, August 2012 (discussing the state and federal constitutional interplay of criminal defendants' 6<sup>th</sup> am. right to counsel during criminal prosecution, and the role of *State v. Forbush* in shaping this issue).
- Craig Mastantuono, *Hey Judge, Am I Movin' You Yet?*, Wisconsin Opinions, June 28, 2000; July 5, 2000 (two-part series on motion practice in criminal cases).
- Craig Mastantuono & Barbara Gorman, *Criminal Sentencings*, Wisconsin Opinions, January 18, 2000 (defense strategies for sentencing hearing in criminal cases).
- Craig Mastantuono, *Commission Needed to Reform Juvenile Law*, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Crossroads Section, May 18, 2003 (opinion piece on juvenile competency issues).

#### LECTURES

- *Motion Practice*, Wisconsin State Public Defender Conference, 2013.
- *My Case Stinks, Or Does It? Confronting "Other Acts" Evidence*, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL) Fall Seminar: Zealous Advocacy in Sexual Assault & Child Victims Cases, Savannah, GA, 2013.
- *Dogs & Cats Working Together: ADR in Criminal Cases*, State Bar of Wisconsin Webinar, 2013.

- *Castle Doctrine & Self-Defense*, Wisconsin State Public Defender Conference, 2012.
- *Spectacular Sentencings*, Wisconsin State Public Defender Conference, 2011.
- *Gun Law & The Second Amendment: View from the Street*, National Rifle Association – NRA Institute for Legislative Action Firearms Symposium, San Diego, 2011. Panel member regarding police/citizen encounters and investigative stops where a firearm may be present.
- *Criminal Law Issues & Your Case*, Wisconsin Association for Justice, Tort & Technique Seminar; 2009. Outcome strategies for personal injury attorneys in cases involving criminal law issues.
- *Criminal Law Procedure*, Wisconsin State Bar Association, Bench & Bar Conference, 2005. Recent case law update and practical effects for trial lawyers.
- *Hot Topics in Juvenile Law*. Wisconsin State Public Defender Conference, 2004. Using the MacArthur Study for litigating juvenile competency issues.
- *Juvenile Competency*. Wisconsin State Bar Association, Annual Convention, 2003. Litigating juvenile competency issues in a criminal case, perspectives on defending 10-year-old child accused of criminal homicide/mob beating in Milwaukee. Co-presented with Dr. Antoinette Kavanaugh, Ph.D., Northwestern University.
- *Whose Story Is It, Anyway?* Wisconsin State Public Defender Conference, 2000. Using your client's life and experiences in defending a criminal case. Co-presented with Attorney Sam Benedict, State Public Defender's Office.
- *Criminal Sentencing*. Wisconsin State Bar Association, Bench & Bar Conference, 2000. Defense strategies for defending clients at sentencing hearings in criminal cases. Co-presented with Barbara Gorman, State Public Defender's Office.
- *Motion Practice*. Wisconsin State Public Defender Conference, 1999. Pre-trial motion practice in criminal cases.
- *Can They Do That?* Wisconsin State Public Defender Conference, 1998. Litigating search and seizure law.

#### ASSOCIATIONS

- National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
- Wisconsin State Bar, Criminal Law Section
- Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association
- Wisconsin Hispanic Lawyer's Association, Board of Directors
- Justinian Lawyer's Society/National Italian American Bar Association
- Milwaukee Bar Association

ACCOLADES

- *Criminal Defense, Wisconsin Super Lawyers Magazine, 2005-2013*
- *Top 25 Attorneys in Milwaukee, Wisconsin Super Lawyers Magazine, 2013*
- *Top 50 Attorneys in Wisconsin, Wisconsin Super Lawyers Magazine, 2013*
- *Best of Milwaukee, Criminal Defense Lawyer, Shepherd Express Magazine, 2012*
- *United Way of Greater Milwaukee's Philanthropic Five Award, 2009*  
Recognized for organizing the local legal community in a fundraiser annually since 2002 benefiting the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee.
- *Leader in the Law, Wisconsin Law Journal, 2008*  
The attorneys selected have demonstrated their outstanding leadership, vision and legal expertise in Wisconsin's law community.
- *Annabell Cook Whitcomb Award from the Boys and Girls Clubs, 2007*  
The award is named after the Milwaukee Clubs' founder and honors a person who shares her same passion and drive.
- *Forty Under 40, Milwaukee Business Journal, 2006*  
The award recognizes those who work in the greater Milwaukee area, and are making an impact in their professions and communities.
- *Up & Comer, Top Lawyers, Milwaukee Magazine, 2003*