

Sarah J.S. Purce

EDUCATION

American University, Washington College of Law

Washington, DC

Juris Doctor, May 2009, *Cum Laude*

Law Journal: American University International Law Review, *Editorial Board*

Activities: Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity, *Executive Board*
Black Law Students Association, *Vice President*

Western Washington University

Bellingham, WA

Bachelor of Arts Psychology, June 2003; Minor in Spanish

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

PCC CLEAR Immigration Clinic

Portland, OR

Managing Attorney, February 2023 – August 2023

Organize and manage the deportation defense clinic's work and staff. Provide supervised educational experiences to law student interns, and student paralegals. Supervise full-time staff and contract attorneys. Create policies and procedures, training materials, and effective workflows for the office. Provide deportation defense services to low-income immigrants by managing a large caseload, and filing of applications for defensive and affirmative Asylum, U-Visa certifications, work authorizations, FOIA requests and other immigration relief.

Catholic Charities Immigration Legal Services

Portland, OR

Assistant Director/Rural Program Coordinator, June 2019 – January 2023

In addition to Lead Attorney and Rural Program Coordinator duties below, participate in overall CCILS program management including analysis, development, and implementation efforts for broader legal services, including investigation of need, gaps in service, and potential funding sources for new and current services; development of policies and procedures focusing on clear expectations, training, and compliance. Member of Senior Management Team, working to improve program integration, and service to clients agencywide. Lead the implementation. nd iclusi o (i)-2 (ni)-2(nt)-2 (i)-2 (a)4 (

& Inclusion plan.

Program Coordinator, June 2012 – June 2019

attorney duties below, coordinate, plan, and implement grant activities for the m funded by the Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women. Manage supervise Rural/VAWA Program staff including attorneys, accredited representatives, legal lunteers, and interns. Conduct statewide outreach including service provider /law and S, D

Seifert Law Offices

Contract Attorney, September 2009 – January 2012

Assisted in representation on a broad range of immigra

Olympia, WA