

MARIAJOSE DE LA HOZ

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EDUCATION

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Chicago, IL

Candidate for Juris Doctor, May 2026 (GPA: 3.62)

- Diversity Coalition, 2024 – 2025 President
- Journal of Law and Social Policy, 2025 Symposium Editor
- Julius H. Miner Moot Court Competition, Octo-finalist
- UCLA Williams Institute Gender and Sexuality Moot Court Competition, Competitor
- Dean's List – Fall 2024, Fall 2025

Chicago-Kent College of Law, Chicago, IL

Candidate for Juris Doctor, August 2023 – May 2024

- Dean's List – Fall 2023, Spring 2024, CALI Excellence for the Future Award®, Torts (Fall 2023)
- Diverse Attorney Pipeline Program (DAPP) National Honors Scholar
- Chicago-Kent Lambdas, 2023 – 2024 Vice President
- Hispanic Latino Law Student Association, 2023 – 2024 1L Representative
- Invitee to the Chicago-Kent Moot Court Honor Society

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

Master of Education, College Student Affairs, May 2021

University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL

Bachelor of Science in Hospitality, Event Management, May 2017

EXPERIENCE

Barnes & Thornburg, LLP, Chicago, IL

Law Clerk, October 2024 – May 2025, August 2025 – Present

- Assisted in preparing case strategies by analyzing case law, statutes, and administrative rulings
- Drafted and edited articles, client alerts, and presentations on emerging legal issues for business development
- Support pro bono efforts by researching legal standards and preparing filings for underserved clients

Summer Associate, May 2024 – July 2024, May 2025 – August 2025

- Contributed to the research and drafting for a variety of complex substantive and procedural matters including labor and employment disputes, breach of contract resolutions, and pro bono matters
- Independently drafted real estate sale agreements, distribution agreements and research memoranda

Flare (Marble Law), Scottsdale, AZ (Remote)

Employment Law Intake Specialist, August 2022 – June 2023

- Screened an average of at least 10 potential clients to determine case viability and whether it aligned with the objectives of the legal partners in Florida, Texas, New York, New Jersey, and California
- Researched and presented potential legal cases and relevant documentation to the community of attorneys and helped in evaluating the potential cases in comparison to the potential liability
- Clearly articulate the firm's value proposition to potential clients in English and Spanish

Guild Education, Denver, CO (Remote)

Student Success Coach, October 2021 – August 2022

- Managed a caseload of more than 500 students through daily communications to provide resources, goal-setting strategies, and support in alignment with company objectives
- Volunteered for internal company pilots for streamlined operating procedures and diversity initiatives

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

Graduate Advisor, June 2019 – June 2022

- Supervised teams to plan the University Lecture Series, Centre Gallery, Intercultural Student Leadership Conference, and iBuddy programs with a combined budget of more than \$500,000
- Led trainings for inclusion of LGTBQ+ and undocumented folks to more than 2,000 students, faculty, and staff

Easterseals Florida, Orlando, FL

Special Events Manager, February 2018 – May 2019

- Raised \$540,000 to support children and adults with disabilities through special events, individual giving campaigns, and corporate partnerships

Events and Communications Coordinator, August 2016 – July 2017

- Implemented statewide rebranding for the organization while coordinating logistics for events in Tampa, Orlando, and West Palm Beach

Volunteer Coordinator, January 2016 – August 2016

- Coordinated a statewide volunteer program across seven programs by recruiting, organizing, and maintaining volunteers to meet the needs of programs and event

PROJECTS AS PRINCIPAL CONSULTANT

- Leadership Conference – Florida Student Power
- Harnessing Your CliftonStrengths – Guild
- Building Pathways Program Manager – William & Lanea C. Featherstone Foundation
- Anti-Racism in the Workplace – Women’s Empowerment
- Gallup Certified Strengths Coach – Private Clients
- Graphic Design & Branding – Private Clients

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Professional Licenses and Certificates: Gallup Certified Clifton Strengths Coach

Languages: Spanish – Fluent

Volunteering Activities: Legal Aid Chicago, Chicago Kent’s Self-Help Resource Center

Interests: Traveling to Colombia, Maintaining 5-Star Reviews on Rover as a Dog Sitter, and Perfecting my Empanadas