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Omaha attorney Andrea E. Hinz is a results-driven and detail-oriented attorney at Goosmann Law Firm who helps her clients accomplish their goals by navigating the complexities of real estate and business transactions. She uses her analytical skills to help real estate developers, business executives, and business owners with their top concerns involving financing transactions, closing deals, due diligence, title review, zoning, document preparation and review, and contract negotiations.

Andrea is ready to do the hard work for her clients so they can focus on what's important to them. She takes the time to explain the issues and complexities, do the research, draft documents, complete due diligence, assist with financing, offer advice, find the missing pieces of the puzzle, and guide her clients through the process until the job is finished

Education:

Indiana University of Maurer School of Law, Bloomington, IN, 2020

- Juris Doctor
- Activities: Transactional Drafting Competition, Sherman Minton Moot Court Competition
- Organizations: Business Law Society (Mentor), Women's Law Caucus (Member & Treasurer 2019)

Concordia University, St. Paul, St. Paul, MN, 2016

- Bachelor of Business Administration- BBA, Accounting
- Summa Cum Laude
- Distinguished as 2016 Accounting Student of the Year
- Activities, Employment, and Involvement: University Honors Program In litterus fidique, Note-Taking Program Coordinator, English Language Lab Tutor, Soprano in Christus Chorus, Christus Chorus Treasurer, Senior Vocal Recital Performer, Performer in Opera Workshop

Bar Admissions:

State: Nebraska & Minnesota

Professional Employment:

Fidelity National Financial

Claims Counsel, AVP March 2022-October 2022

Associate Claims Counsel, March 2021-March 2022

Claims Administrator, August 2020- March 2021

Law Clerk, May 2019- August 2019

- Review real estate contracts, title insurance documents, and real estate files; resolve survey disputes pertaining to encroachments, rights-of-way, and easements; review files in preparation for foreclosure; and negotiate and draft settlement agreements based on experience in property law and financing.
- Investigate, analyze, and administer title insurance claims to determine coverage under contract, provide superior customer service to claimants, research and interpret applicable laws and their effect for each claim, prepare coverage determination, oversee litigation actions, manage a large caseload across multiple states, and execute creative legal solutions to resolve covered title insurance claims.
- Examine title insurance contracts, leveraging a deep knowledge of insurance contracts and their workings to draft coverage determinations, identify targets for recoupment, evaluate potential loss, and take action to mitigate loss.
- Oversee claims matters from inception through resolution including creating litigation plans and filing actions including quiet title, reformation of instruments, and partitions, and monitoring litigation and litigation counsels.
- Evaluate title files, draft title insurance coverage opinions, litigation plans, loss payment reports and handle all aspects of title insurance claims.

National Credit Union Administration

Credit Union Examiner, June 2016- July 2017

- Managed a district of federally insured credit unions, monitoring quarterly financials to assess compliance with federal regulations, state laws, audit standards, and accounting rules.
- Assessed credit union compliance with laws regarding financial crimes and reviewed credit union marketing, operations, accounting, investment, and management policies and activities.
- Drafted and presented findings and exam reports and recommended future action to management and board of directors.
- Recommended innovations to Office of Business Innovation regarding new audit management tool.
- Received "On-the-Spot" Award for outstanding work performance while under time constraints.

Clerkship & Externship Experience:

Indiana Legal Services, Inc.

Law Clerk, October 2018- April 2019

- Researched and drafted memoranda in legal areas including landlord/tenant, administrative, and family law.
- Drafted divorce and parenting/guardianship petitions and related court documents.
- Researched criminal history and drafted various documents to assist clients with criminal expungement petitions.

Hennepin County, 4th Judicial District Court

Judicial Extern for Hon. Peter Cahill, May 2018- July 2018

- Drafted court orders for Child in Need of Protection and Services and Juvenile Delinquency cases.
- Prepared, observed, and debriefed court cases.
- Completed an annual Civil Case Update project for all Minnesota Court of Appeals and Supreme Court cases.

Volunteer Experience:

Protective Order Project

Case Management Director, August 2018- April 2019

- Managed all cases, conducted conflict checks for each case, ensured cases adhered to timeline, and communicated updates to supervising attorney.
- Conducted intakes and drafted memos and court documents to assist clients in obtaining civil protective orders.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

Site Coordinator, October 2018- April 2019

- Prepared income taxes pro bono for taxpayers in need and managed and trained volunteers to prepare and file taxes.
- Managed volunteers and hundreds of clients on-site and troubleshoot complex tax issues for our team of tax preparers.

Achievements:

- Super Lawyers Rising Stars

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