

QUINLAN STEINER

◆ Anchorage, AK ◆

Education:

Northwestern School of Law
of Lewis & Clark College
Juris Doctor

Portland, OR
1998

Seattle University
B.A. Business Administration

Seattle, WA
1989

West Anchorage High School

Anchorage, AK
1984

Work Experience:

Alaska Public Defender Agency
Director – Public Defender

Anchorage, AK
2005 – Present

Appointed to serve as the Public Defender for the State of Alaska and Director of the Alaska Public Defender Agency. The Public Defender Agency's mission is to provide constitutionally mandated legal representation to indigent individuals appointed by the courts in criminal and other state-initiated litigation.

Primary responsibilities include: directing organizational development in accordance with agency goals; personnel supervision and management; budget management; and testifying before the legislature on proposed legislation and budget proposals. Initiatives implemented: statewide case management system; regional organizational structure; new lawyer trial school; expanded recruiting program; mentoring program; and centralized appellate and post-conviction case processing.

Alaska Public Defender Agency
Assistant Public Defender

Anchorage, AK
1998 - 2005

Appellate Attorney: drafted appellate briefs and conducted oral argument before the Alaska Court of Appeals and the Alaska Supreme Court; consulted with and advised trial attorneys on trial litigation issues; advised the Public Defender on pending legislation and other legal issues affecting the Agency.

Trial Attorney: managed a District and Superior Court trial caseload in Anchorage and for St. Paul Island; and conducted felony and misdemeanor trials. Other Activities: trained and supervised legal interns and new attorneys; served as a member of the Public Defender Training Conference Committee; personally developed and implemented training sessions on trial advocacy, motion writing, and legal analysis for the Agency's new lawyers; and participated in meetings of the Appellate Rules Committee, Pattern Jury Instruction Committee, and Appellate Delay Committee.

Alaska Public Defender Agency
Investigator Intern / Legal Extern

Anchorage, AK
1995, 1997

Volunteered as an investigator in 1995 prior to attending law school. As a law student, served as legal extern in criminal law. Duties included conducting bail hearings, drafting appellate briefs, and conducted an oral argument before the Alaska Court of Appeals.

Intec Inc.
Financial Assistant/Lead Backcountry Guide

Anchorage, AK
1993-1995

Duties as financial assistant included strategic planning, preparing financial statements, and bookkeeping. Duties as backcountry guide included conducting backcountry ski and glacier travel trips, trip planning, meal preparation, and ensuring safety of clients and assistant guides.

National Bank of Alaska
Loan Officer

Juneau, AK
1990-1992

Completed management training program and worked as a loan officer in Juneau branch office. Commercial lending experience: business acquisition, lines of credit, letters of credit, equipment & inventory, commercial real estate, interim construction, SBA & BIA guaranteed, fishing boats. Consumer lending experience: automobile, boat, home equity, and personal. Participated in local branch board meetings on local and statewide financial outlook.

Northwest Deck Construction
Co-Owner

Seattle, WA
1987-1989

Established company designing and constructing residential decks; responsible for project schedule management; preparation of financial statements and tax returns.

Activities:

Member Alaska Bar Association (1998 – present)
Criminal Rules Committee (October 2006 – present)
Member of the Criminal Justice Working Group (2008 – present)
Youth Court Bar Class Instructor – Spring 2008
Panel Member for Anchorage Mayor's Anti-Gang and Youth Violence Summit: Law Enforcement and Legal Issues Related to Gangs (November 15, 2006)
Panel Member on Ethics in Criminal Law Practice at University of Southern Maine School of Law (2005)
University of Alaska, Adjunct Professor: Criminal Procedure (2002)
Alaska Youth Court, Mock Trial Judge (2000)
Member of Denali Expedition (1994)
Member University of Colorado Ski Team (1984-1986)
Member Alyeska Ski Club (until 1984; represented Alaska at the Junior Olympics)