

AveMaria Thompson, Esq.



TOURO LAW CENTER

2020-Present

Adjunct Professor and Mediation Clinic Director

Students in the L/T Mediation Clinic are trained in the basics of mediation and are given the important responsibility to facilitate mediations in active landlord-tenant cases in Suffolk County District Court. Students will learn the basics of landlord-tenant law and mediation techniques. Seminar will include simulations exploring negotiation and alternative dispute resolution. This clinic will provide a critically important service to litigants and judges in landlord-tenant matters. It is anticipated that housing courts will receive a crush of cases due to the expiration of eviction moratoriums, uncertainty of unemployment insurance benefits, food insecurity, and other challenges posed by the pandemic. Students will also develop negotiation skills, proficiency in mediation, and knowledge of landlord-tenant law and court procedures.

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2017-Present

Clinical Faculty and Staff Attorney at the Senior Citizens Law Program

Access to Justice Pro Bono Volunteer Award Recipient

Elder Abuse Committee Member

THE LAW OFFICE OF AVE MARIA THOMPSON, PLLC

2014-2016

TOURO LAW CENTER

2011-2014

Adjunct Torts Law Professor

OFFICE OF THE SUFFOLK COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

2003- 2013

Senior Assistant District Attorney in the Narcotics Bureau

Assistant District Attorney in the Case Advisory Bureau

Assistant District Attorney in the District Court Bureau

OFFICE OF THE QUEENS COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

2000-2003

Assistant District Attorney in the Appeals Bureau

Assistant District Attorney in the Criminal Court Bureau

Assistant District Attorney in the Intake Bureau / Initial Processing of Criminal Complaints

EDUCATION

Mediation and Dispute Resolution Training Certificate

Touro Law Center

Juris Doctorate

State University of New York at Buffalo

Master of Arts Degree

Bachelor of Arts Degree

AWARDS AND HONORS IN LAW SCHOOL

Law Review, Merit Scholarship, Public Interest Fellowship Winner, Intern for District Court Judge, LEAP Torts Teacher's Assistant, and Minority Student Bar Association President

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York State, including Eastern and Southern Districts of New York

CLE LECTURE EXPERIENCE

Touro Perfect Practice CLE for newly admitted attorneys, Topic: Elder Abuse

Suffolk County Bar Association CLE, Topic: Narcotics and Alternatives for Pending Drug Cases

PUBLICATIONS

Wrote and published several articles in the NY Carib News

