# **Michael Harris**

#### **Professional summary**

Senior Family Law Attorney with over 14 years of experience specializing in divorce, custody, and child support cases. Expert in mediation, negotiation, and litigation, with a proven track record of achieving favorable outcomes for clients in high-conflict family law disputes.

#### Experience

## **Senior Family Law Attorney**

March 2015 - Now

Harris & Partners LLP / Chicago, IL

- Manage complex divorce, custody, and child support cases, providing clients with personalized legal strategies.
- Represent clients in mediation, negotiating settlements that prioritize the best interests of children and families.
- Lead family law litigation efforts, including trial preparation, case management, and court appearances.
- Advise clients on property division, alimony, and post-divorce modifications.

## Family Law Associate Attorney

January 2011 - February 2015 Law Offices of Susan Wright / Chicago, IL

- Assisted senior attorneys in handling divorce and custody cases, including legal research, document preparation, and court filings.
- Drafted and reviewed settlement agreements, prenuptial agreements, and parenting plans.
- Conducted client consultations, providing legal advice on divorce proceedings-, custody arrangements, and child support.

#### Volunteering

### **Volunteer Attorney**

March 2020 - Now

Chicago Volunteer Legal Services

- Provide pro bono legal assistance to low-income families seeking divorce, custody, and child support services.
- Offer legal advice in family law matters through workshops and community outreach programs.
- Collaborate with local community organizations to educate individuals on their family law rights.

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#### Education

#### Juris Doctor (JD)

Loyola University Chicago School of Law Graduated: May 2010

#### **Bachelor of Arts in Psychology**

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign Graduated: May 2007

#### Certifications

- Certified Family Law Specialist, March 2016
- Illinois State Bar Admission, Certified: November 2010

#### Skills

Family law mediation and negotiation	****
Divorce and child custody litigation	****
Child support and spousal support calculations	****
Emotional intelligenc- e and client management	****
Legal research and document preparation	****
Case management and trial advocacy	****

#### Languages

- French Native proficiency
- German Fluent (both written and spoken)