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Professional Summary

Illinois-licensed attorney and bilingual communications consultant with over 20 years of experience in law and public service. Appearance as counsel of record in 20 published decisions in judicial reporters.

Core Expertise

- Criminal Defense, Juvenile Abuse and Neglect, Immigration Law
- Bilingual Communication (English / Spanish)
- Legal Writing and Appellate Strategy
- Professional Communication Coaching

Legal Experience

Spanish-English interpreter for immigrants seeking asylum and refugee status.

HIAS Pennsylvania | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania |2024–Present

Evaluating state legislation affecting immigrants.

Illinois State Bar Association, Immigration Law Section, |Online | 2026–Present

Contract attorney supporting litigation.

Just Legal, Inc. and Kendall PC | 2017–2022

Managing Attorney for Non-Profit.

Oregon Law Center | Ontario, Oregon | 2015–2017

Staff Attorney – Home Foreclosure Program

Prairie State Legal Services | Wheaton, Illinois | 2013–2015

Principal Attorney

Dev Parikh, Attorney-at-Law, LLC | Indianapolis, Indiana | 2008–2010

Public Defender – Juvenile Abuse and Neglect Court

Cook County Public Defender | Chicago, Illinois | 2005-2009

Appellate Public Defender-Criminal Defense

Office of the State Appellate Defender | Elgin, Illinois | 1999-2005

Appellate Decisions

Counsel of record in 20 published decisions in the Northeast Reporter. Representative cases:

People v. Lopez, 766 N.E.2d 329 (Illinois Supreme Court 2002)

People v. Ferral, 921 N.E.2d 414 (Ill.App.Ct. 2009)

People v. Vue, 818 N.E.2d 1252 (Ill.App.Ct. 2005)

People v. Davis, 730 N.E.2d 518 (Ill.App.Ct. 2000)

In re D.D., 728 N.E.2d 119 (Ill.App.Ct. 2000)

Consulting Experience

Communications Consultant & Bilingual Specialist

Philadelphia, PA | 2022–Present

Offer communication coaching and consulting for professionals aiming for greater clarity and effectiveness in their written and spoken English.

Selected articles published at www.yourcommunicationscoach.com.

Admissions

- Illinois
- Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals
- Northern District of Illinois

- District of Oregon

Volunteer Service

Volunteer Advisor – The Welcoming Center | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 2025–Present
Mentoring immigrant professionals in job search preparation, resume writing, and interviewing.

Education & Certifications

Juris Doctor – University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Moot Court Board | CALI Award for Legal Excellence (Sales – UCC Section 2) | Albert J. Harno Scholar | Honors in Legal Writing and Research.

Bachelor of Arts – University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

C1 Spanish Proficiency Certificate – Instituto Cervantes

CELTA – Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
University of Cambridge