

Anton M. Robinson

Professional & Teaching Experience

Defender Association of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA; Oct. 2023 – Present *Assistant Public Defender*

As an attorney in the Major Crimes Unit, litigate cases and provide legal counsel to individuals charged with serious felonies; additionally, participate as a member of the Forensics Group, an eight-person team of uniquely experienced attorneys who advise staff on litigating cases involving novel forensic issues.

Washington College of Law, Washington, DC; Jan. 2022 – Jul. 2022 *Teaching Practitioner*

Conducted a remote live seminar via Zoom, instructing 27 second and third-year law students on analyzing the causes of wrongful convictions and exploring potential litigation strategies for prevention and remedy.

Innocence Project, New York, NY; Jan. 2021 – Oct. 2023 *Senior Staff Attorney*

Develop and execute national litigation and public policy strategies to address the leading causes of wrongful conviction, particularly cases involving eyewitness misidentification; research and draft amicus briefs and motions; facilitate litigation strategy workshops with attorneys in various jurisdictions across the country; serve as a member of the Innocence Network Amicus Committee, helping to edit amicus briefs for a broad range of issues from various jurisdictions.

Vermont Law School, Royalton, VT; Sept. 2020 – Jul. 2022 *Course Developer & Adjunct Faculty*

Developed a seminar and trained students in *Race, Crimes, and Restorative Justice*; taught second and third year law students the fundamentals of restorative justice to encourage innovative reform strategies aimed at racial disparities in the criminal legal system; due to the course's popularity with students, helped to modify the course into an anchoring course within the VLS, Center for Justice Reform, an internationally recognized educational and training location for justice reform efforts including restorative justice.

The Vera Institute of Justice, New York, NY; Dec. 2017 – Jan. 2021 *Senior Planner*

Developed and managed criminal justice reform projects to advance New York bail reform and reduce mass incarceration; provided policy and communications support to local criminal justice advocacy organizations, defender organizations, and legislators working to reform justice policies at the local, state, and federal levels; managed project staff.

New York County Defenders Services, New York, NY; Oct. 2013 – Dec. 2017 *Staff Attorney*

Represented persons charged with misdemeanors and felonies from investigation through trial and sentencing; lobbied for criminal justice reforms as a part of a small office working group; recruited and supervised law student interns; coordinated office community service projects as a member of the Community Outreach Committee.

The Fortune Society, New York, NY; Mar. 2012 – Oct. 2013 *Senior Court Advocate & Attorney*

Advanced local criminal justice reforms, promoting the utilization of treatment services as an alternative to lengthy prison sentences; represented the Fortune Society and participants of its housing assistance program in New York City Civil Court.

Office of the Public Defender, Orlando, FL; Apr. 2008 – Jan. 2012

Assistant Public Defender

Represented persons charged with misdemeanors felonies from investigation through trial, sentencing, and appeals to the Ninth Judicial Circuit Court of Florida; served as lead attorney for more than 30 criminal jury trials with the majority of the same resolving in a dismissal of all charges or not guilty verdicts.

Langston, Hess, et al., P.A., Orlando, FL; Aug. 2006 – Apr. 2008

Associate Attorney

Assisted the managing partner with all aspects of case litigation, including writing memoranda and motions, representing clients at mediations and final hearings, and negotiating settlement agreements; participated in firm marketing responsibilities, including teaching Continuing Legal Education courses and lecturing insurance adjusters on updates in Florida Workers Compensation law.

Education

University of Florida, Levin College of Law, Gainesville, FL; May 2006

Juris Doctor

Honors and activities: Honors, Legal Research and Writing; International Commercial Arbitration & Mediation Moot Court; Black Law Student Association, 3L Representative; Student Recruitment Team, Member; Law School Ambassador; Teen Court of Alachua County, Distinguished Student Volunteer (for 2 years of service).

Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL; Jul. 2003

Bachelor of Science in Mass Media Studies, Minors in English & Sociology, Magna Cum Laude

Honors and activities: Dean's List, all semesters; President's List, Spring and Summer 2003; National Society of Collegiate Scholars; Best Undergraduate Essay, Sociology Department, 2003; W.E.B. Dubois Honor Society, 2000 -2003.

Bar Admissions

Pennsylvania, Nov. 2023

New York, Jun. 2012

Florida, Sept. 2006

Memberships

AIDS Law Project; Board of Directors, 2024 – Present

FamFrequency Productions; Board of Directors, 2023 – Present

The Innocence Network Amicus Committee; Member, 2021 - 2023

New York City Bar Association; Criminal Courts Committee, 2018 - 2021

Metropolitan Black Bar Association; Secretary of the Criminal Law Section, 2018 – 2021

Publications

A Means to an End; Vera Institute of Justice, 2019

Supporting Bail Reform Is Good Business; Vera Institute of Justice, 2018