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EDUCATION

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Master of Science in Real Estate, Anticipated Graduation August 2009

Hofstra University School of Law, Hempstead, NY

Juris Doctor Program, August 2007 to May 2008

Activities & Achievements – Black Law Students Association; Christian Law Students Association; New York City Bar Association Diversity Fellow 2008

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Masters Urban and Regional Planning, April 2005

Activities & Achievements – Student Planning Association, President 2004-2005; Black Graduate Student Association, Vice-President 2004-2005; Florida Chapter of American Planning Association Student Council 2004-2005; “The Housing Policy Debate” article published in Florida Planning newsletter May 2004; Florida Housing Coalition Doreen Flummer Award recipient 2004; American Institute of Certified Planners Outstanding Student Award recipient 2005; US Dept. of Personnel Management Presidential Management Fellows Finalist Class of 2005

Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University, Tallahassee, FL

Bachelor of Science Architectural Studies, April 2002

Activities & Achievements – Marching Band, Symphonic Band, Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity, Inc.; Alpha Rho Chi Professional Fraternity, Inc.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Florida Housing Coalition Core Certification November 2006; Florida Mortgage Broker License June 2006; Homebuyer Counselor Certification, NeighborWorks America November 2006

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP, New York, NY

Summer Associate, May 2008 – August 2008

Completed a variety of assignments, including review and summary of loan documents in loan portfolio in preparation of pending foreclosure proceedings; research of federal and state law to update memorandum on private placement of security interests in limited liability corporations for application in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut; due diligence for real estate loan in a public/private venture; participated in training and professional development sessions including legal writing and research and contract drafting.

Alachua County Board of County Commissioners, Gainesville, FL

Assistant Housing Programs Manager, July 2005 – August 2007

Managed funding, compliance monitoring and reporting, and progress of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Florida State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) projects and programs; coordinated CDBG advisory board; answered public inquiries regarding housing program requirements; conducted homebuyer and lender training workshops as well as community forums related to local affordable housing initiatives.

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Graduate Research Assistant, August 2003 – June 2005

Worked on various reports and research projects with the Center for Building Better Communities, focusing on economic development research; facilitated public meetings and assisted in the preparation of proposals and grant applications.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

NAACP; Alachua County Affordable Housing Coalition, Secretary 2006-2007; Alachua County African American Accountability Alliance 2006-2007; Florida Housing Coalition 2004-2007

