

# SHEILA M. STUHLMAN

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## EDUCATION

**UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA LAW SCHOOL**, J.D. *magna cum laude*, May 2000

Order of the Coif

*Minnesota Law Review* Lead Managing Editor (1999-2000)

Charles E. Nadler Award for Best All-Around Achievement as a Staff Member (1998-1999)

Minnesota State Bar Association Award for Excellence in Labor Law (1999)

Public Interest Law Clinic (Spring 2000)

Immigration Law Clinic (1998-1999)

Minnesota Justice Foundation

Local Board Representative

*Pro Bono* Intern Project Volunteer

**UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA**, B.A. *cum laude* in Spanish and English, June 1991

Presidential Scholar

Book Review Intern, *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society*

Studied Spanish and Art History during semester abroad in Toledo, Spain at Fundación Ortega y Gasset

**HAMLIN UNIVERSITY**, Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) Certificate, May 1991

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**STUHLMAN LAW LLC**, Minneapolis, MN

*Owner* (January 2017-present)

Manage the daily operations of a solo immigration law practice while representing clients in removal (deportation) proceedings, petitions and applications in front of U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services, and advising criminal defense counsel on the immigration consequences of criminal convictions.

**THE IMMIGRANT LAW CENTER OF MINNESOTA /OFICINA LEGAL**, St. Paul, MN

*Program Director* (January 2015-December 2016)

Responsible for providing supervision to staff attorneys and interns, as well as technical assistance, outreach, training and representation in immigration matters. Also responsible for overseeing tracking of data as required for legal and funding purposes.

*Staff Attorney* (May 2003-January 2015)

Provided training and technical assistance to public defenders on the immigration consequences of criminal convictions. Represented individuals in immigration court, assisted individuals applying for immigration benefits, educated community groups about immigration law.

*Law Clerk* (Summer 1998)

Assisted battered immigrant women with their immigration cases by preparing their affidavits, gathering evidence, and researching legal issues. Researched country conditions for asylum cases, assisted clients with visa processing and citizenship, conducted intake interviews in English and Spanish, and prepared an intern handbook.

**MILLER-O'BRIEN**, Minneapolis, MN

*Associate* (August 2001-May 2003)

Represented individual plaintiffs in employment and housing discrimination cases. Advised unions involved with labor disputes and organizing drives.

**THE HONORABLE GARY L. CRIPPEN, MINNESOTA COURT OF APPEALS**, St. Paul, MN

*Law Clerk* (2000-2001 Term)

Researched and wrote bench memoranda on a wide variety of legal issues and drafted and edited published and unpublished opinions. Performed marshalling duties at oral argument.

**UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL, Minneapolis, MN**

*Law Clerk* (May 1999-May 2000)

Researched and wrote memoranda involving diverse legal issues such as constitutional law, employment discrimination, banking and construction law. Drafted appellate briefs, discovery motions, and motions for summary judgment.

**UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA LAW SCHOOL, Minneapolis, MN**

*Legal Writing Student Instructor* (1998-1999)

Co-taught first-year legal writing with a practicing attorney by preparing weekly lesson plans and evaluating student papers. Helped develop appellate brief writing problem.

*Research Assistant* (1998-1999)

Researched and wrote memoranda on the right-to-privacy tort for the legal writing director. Developed model answers to legal writing problems for legal writing instructors.

**CRATE&BARREL, Minneapolis and Edina, MN and Chicago, IL**

*Assistant Manager* (1989-1998)

Performed general management duties, such as training and supervising department managers and coordinating all aspects of inventory. Interviewed, hired and trained employees. Solved customer service problems.

**BAR**

Admitted to Minnesota State Bar in 2000; Minnesota Federal District Court in 2002; Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals in 2008; U.S. Supreme Court in 2014.

Member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association and the National Immigration Project of the National Lawyers Guild.

**RECENT CLE PRESENTATIONS**

- DACA Under a New Administration, May 19, 2017 (with Kara Lynum and Kate Voigt)
- Immigrant Clients and Criminal Questions, November 4, 2016 (with Kim Hunter and Kathy Moccio)
- Special Immigration Provisions for Vulnerable Populations, June 8, 2015 (with Sabrina Balgamwalla and Anna Marie E. Stenson)
- Obscure but Still Relevant Remedies in Immigration Court, May 20, 2015 (with Kim Hunter and Eric O'Denius)
- Immigration from Both Sides of the Table (for Ramsey County Judges), February 20, 2015 (with Minneapolis/St. Paul Office of Chief Counsel)
- Litigating Criminal Immigration Cases in the Eighth Circuit, January 30, 2015 (with Kate Evans and Bruce Nestor)
- Post-Padilla Issues, October 11, 2014 (with Virginia Barron)
- Challenges Involving Noncitizen Defendants: Immigration Consequences, ICE Detainers, Custody Credit and January 1<sup>st</sup> Birthdays, Criminal Justice Institute, August 25, 2014 (with Richard Schmitz)

**PUBLICATIONS**

- *Padilla Report* (monthly newsletter for Minnesota public defenders, July 2012-March 2015).
- *ICE-y Detainment Ends in Hennepin and Ramsey Counties*, HENNEPIN LAWYER (July 2014).
- *Practice Pointers for U and T Visas*, AILA's Immigration Practice Pointers (2011-12 Edition) (with Karl Krooth and Sheila Neville).
- *Minnesota's Alternatives to Primary Caretaker Placements: Too Much of a Good Thing?* 28 WM. MITCHELL L. REV. 677 (2001) (with Gary L. Crippen).