

**Michael Sommerkamp, J.D. C.V. Mediator – Indianapolis, Indiana**

**Attorney, Civil Mediator**

**Manley, Pumphrey, & Mann, LLC**

**Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law**

**Indianapolis, Indiana**

Michael is a versatile advocate, determined researcher, and trusted client advisor who thrives in fast-paced environments where re-prioritization, adaption, and the evolution of strategies are frequently demanded. A results-oriented achiever who takes personal responsibility, he is highly analytic and has a talent for creatively overcoming obstacles and possesses a unique and also possesses a well-developed set of presentation, sales, team-building, and managerial skills. Finally, Michael is a licensed attorney for sixteen (16) years and licensed financial advisor for seven (7) years.

## **Experience**

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**Attorney & Civil Mediator**

**Company Name Manley, Pumphrey, & Mann, LLC**

**Dates Employed Aug 2016 – Present**

**Employment Duration 1 yr 3 mos**

**Location Indianapolis, Indiana Area**

- Conduct client intake and case evaluation to determine whether representation is appropriate.
- Advise clients on strengths and weaknesses of claims, present and evaluate options, and devise strategy for representation.
- Draft and respond to motions, pleadings, complaints, affidavits, and briefs utilizing Indiana's E-File system.
- Create and maintain trial notebook, attend conferences and hearings, seek and negotiate settlements, and prepare and litigate cases.
- Develop and manage billing records, create and send invoices
- Areas of focus include: family law, educational law, estate planning, wills and trust creation, wealth transfer strategies, and tax mitigation.
- Researched and drafted copy for company website.



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**Attorney/ Indiana Licensed Civil Mediator/ Consultant/ Contract Worker**

**Company Name Indianapolis**

**Dates Employed Mar 2012 – Present**

**Employment Duration 5 yrs 8 mos**

**Location Indianapolis, Indiana Area**

- Assisted clients with issues ranging from general consultation and negotiations, the drafting and interpretation of contracts, family law matters, as well as a range of estate planning needs.
- Reviewed electronic documents for relevance to discovery and for issue coding, created privilege logs, and performed redactions, and chosen for final QC, which required exceptional analytic skills.
- Utilized for demanding document review assignments outside of my geographic region.
- Consulted to several well-known hedge funds and specialty groups who require a consultant with specialized knowledge of financial markets and their governing legal precepts.



**Financial Adviser**

**Company Name A.G. Edwards & Sons (Bought By:) Wachovia (Bought By:) Wells Fargo Advisors**

**Dates Employed Jul 2005 – Feb 2012**

**Employment Duration 6 yrs 8 mos**

**Location Indianapolis, Indiana Area**

- Nationally recognized as 1 of 3 top new producers for 3 consecutive years.
- Awarded the “2010 Financial Advisor Award” statue.
- Built and managed a significant book of business, which required strong relationship-building skills, tremendous organization, continual problem solving, and inspired relationship management.

- Created, implemented, and monitored hundreds of personalized financial plans.
- Leveraged my knowledge as an attorney to maximize clients' Social Security benefits, craft estate transfer plans, create business continuation plans, and create long-term care planning strategies.
- Qualified for deferred compensation in my 1st year of production and in all following years.
- Created such strong client relationships that, after a year, my business grew entirely from unsolicited referrals.

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## **State's Attorney**

**Company Name Indiana Department of Homeland Security**

**Dates Employed Jul 2002 – Jul 2005**

**Employment Duration 3 yrs 1 mo**

**Location Indianapolis, Indiana Area**

- Analyzed problems, reviewed resources and goals, and presented and implemented efficient solutions.
- Conducted fact and legal investigations; prepared case files; performed discovery; drafted and responded to legal briefs, memorandum, and discovery requests; took and defended depositions, and litigated cases across Indiana.
- Actively managed a large and constantly changing caseload; always handling emergencies in a timely manner while meeting existing deadlines.
- Researched, created, and presented Indiana's first Emergency Responder HIPAA training program statewide; a program that was adopted by other states.
- Negotiated numerous multi-million dollar contracts and M.O.U.s with outside vendors and agencies, drafted these agreements, and monitored and audited them for satisfactory and timely execution.

## **Education**

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**Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law**

**Degree Name Juris Doctorate**

**Field Of Study Law**

Dates attended or expected graduation 1998 – 2001

Activities and Societies: \* Interned at the Marion County Public Defender's Office. \* Vice President of the Criminal Law Association, 2000. \* Participated in Moot Court.

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**Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis**

Degree Name Bachelor of Arts

Field Of Study English Literature

Dates attended or expected graduation 1993 – 1998

Activities and Societies: \* Member of Dean's List \* Diversity Advocate \* Student Mentor Supervisor \* Student Mentor \* Assistant Instructor for Non-Symbolic Logic \* Assistant Instructor for Tai Chi Chuan \* Assistant Instructor for Shorei Gojo Ryu Karate