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Education:

Marquette University Law School (J.D., 2012)
Illinois State University (B.S. Criminal Justice, 2005)

About: Before, during and after law school, Bryan served as a law enforcement officer at the local, county and state levels from 2005-2022. During this time, Bryan served as a field-training officer, juvenile officer, NHTSA field sobriety test instructor and defense tactics instructor. While serving as a full-time officer, Bryan maintained a small solo practice with a focus on real estate. Upon leaving full-time law enforcement duties to practice law full-time, he maintained his part-time officer position for years until the rigors of practicing and family pulled him out for good.

Experience: Prior to joining KCBA, represented public safety union members in collective bargaining and disciplinary/discharge matters before fire and police commissions and merit commissions pursuant to the Illinois Uniform Peace Officers' Disciplinary Act ("UPODA") and Firemen's Disciplinary Act ("FDA"). Represented police and firefighter pension fund board of trustees as general counsel providing counseling and representation pertaining to all facets of pension fund administration. Acted as hearing officer for disability cases and successfully defended board decisions before the trial and appellate courts.

- Depose witnesses and develop litigation strategies with the aim of closing claims rapidly.
- Negotiate settlements on a litigated and pro se basis.

Volunteer Experience: Wills for Heroes; Active coach in La Grange Little League and AYSO