

# Mitchell Gensen

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## BAR MEMBERSHIP

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Admitted to Illinois State Bar, November 2006.

## EDUCATION

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***Juris Doctor, The John Marshall Law School***, Chicago, IL (2006)

- *Cum Laude*, 3.39 GPA
- THE JOHN MARSHALL LAW REVIEW
- Best Oral Advocate, Frederick Douglas Moot Court Competition
- Public Interest Law Council

***Bachelor of Arts, University of Illinois***, Urbana-Champaign, IL (2002)

- Habitat for Humanity campus chapter
- Campus tour guide

## EXPERIENCE

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***Assistant Appellate Defender, Office of the Illinois Appellate Defender***, Chicago, IL (2006 – present)

- Represented indigent clients in criminal appellate matters; including direct appeals, post conviction proceedings and petitions for certiorari.
- Presented oral arguments.
- Reviewed trial records and discerned what issues to challenge on appeal.
- Researched and wrote appellate briefs to the Court of Appeals and Supreme Court.

***Extern, Federal Appropriations Commission, Consumer Protection Bureau***, Washington, DC (2005)

- Researched and analyzed legal issues for FAC Directors and Staff Attorneys; provided recommendations for further action.
- Analyzed Appropriation Act 22.3 for its effect on consumer rights issues.
- Analyzed legal ramifications of current regulatory laws upon Internet businesses and e-commerce.

***Summer Associate, Keller, Murray and Spilson***, Chicago, IL (2004)

- Conducted research and drafted memoranda focusing on commercial and private real estate law.
- Researched and laid groundwork for land dispute arbitration
- Commended by partners for superior writing and researching skill.

## VOLUNTEER WORK

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- Environment Illinois (various campaigns)
- Income Tax Relief Assistance Organization
- Chicago Loop Soup Kitchen Volunteer