

CRAIG ANTHONY THOMPSON, ESQUIRE

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

LAW OFFICES OF PETER G. ANGELOS, P.C.

June 1998-Present

Associate: Represent various clients, specializing in mass tort, medical malpractice and products liability litigation; member of litigation team which represented the State of Maryland in complex litigation against major tobacco manufacturers, resulting in settlement in excess of four billion dollars

COUNCIL FOR ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY, INC.

(CEBO)

January 1997-June 1998

Counsel: Responsible for overseeing the legal operations of business development firm; reviewed, prepared and drafted various agreements regarding mergers, acquisitions, business plans, seminars and general business consulting; advocated on behalf of clients before various bodies

MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE LEGAL DEFENSE FUND, INC.

September 1995-December 1996

Associate: Responsible for conducting research and drafting memoranda; assisted with the drafting of pleadings and motions; managed case intake process and oversaw pending litigation

MURPHY AND GUTIERREZ, P.A.

September 1994-February 1995

Law Clerk: Performed extensive legal research on a variety of criminal issues; wrote appellate brief regarding the sua sponte declaration of mistrial

ALFRED NANCE AND ASSOCIATES

June 1994-August 1994

Law Clerk: Wrote legal memoranda regarding personal injury cases and organized personal injury case files; observed court proceedings and provided support for the representation of clients with domestic, civil and criminal cases

COMMUNITY LAW CENTER

January 1994-May 1994

Intern: Assisted attorneys with legal research regarding the probating of

wills; established contact with community groups and increased awareness of drug nuisance abatement laws

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

GRAND VISION COMMUNICATIONS

November 1994-Present

President: Direct and manage consulting and communications firm; lecture at schools, colleges, religious and civic organizations regarding various issues including leadership, critical thinking and goal setting; produce and host successful two-way talk radio program and television show

BALTIMORE CITY HALL

September 1989-July 1994

Assistant: Assisted City Councilman Carl Stokes with legislative and legal research; represented Councilman at community and business meetings; resolved numerous constituent concerns

EDUCATION

University of Maryland School of Law

Juris Doctor, May 1995

- Admitted to practice law in the state of Maryland, December 1995
- Admitted to practice law in the United States District Court of Maryland, July 2000

Honors/Awards

- Alumni Association Award (To graduating senior who contributes most to the law school through qualities of character and leadership)
- UMAB "Student Recognition" Award
- Listed in Who's Who Among American Law Students
- State Senate Award: Future Leader in Maryland
- Recipient of WNUV (Channel 54) "Proud and Positive" Award

Activities

- Black Law Students Association President, 1994-1995
- Law School Debate Society President, 1993-1994
- The Raven (School Newspaper) Columnist, 1993-1994
- Moot Court Competition Participant, 1993
- Student Bar Association Mentor/Tutor Program Coordinator, 1992-1993

University of Maryland, College Park

Bachelor of Arts - Afro-American Studies, May 1992

Bachelor of Arts - Political Science, May 1992

Honors/Awards

- Dean's List: Spring 1992 (4.0); Fall 1991; Spring 1991 (4.0); Spring 1988
- Outstanding Attorney: Eastern Regional Intercollegiate Mock Trial Tournament (Spring 1992)
- Phi Alpha Theta Honor Society
- Listed in Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities
- Byrd/Elkins Outstanding Male Senior Award Finalist
- Governor's "Salute to Excellence" Award
- Office of Minority Student Education Award for Academic Excellence
- Frederick Douglass Scholarship
- State Senatorial Scholarship
- Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke designated May 23, 1992 as "Craig Anthony Thompson Day" in Baltimore

Activities

- Intercollegiate Mock Trial Student Attorney, 1991-1992
- Career Development Center Career Assistant, 1991-1992
- Black Student Union Area Representative and Legislator, 1990-1991
- BSU Mentor Program Coordinator and Chairperson, 1990-1991
- NAACP, College Park Chapter Correspondence Secretary, 1990-1991

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- American Bar Association, Member
- Maryland State Bar Association, Member
- Bar Association of Baltimore City, Member
- Monumental City Bar Association, Member
- Association of Trial Lawyers of America, Member
- Host of Weekly Talk Radio Show - WEAA (88.9FM)
- Host of Weekly Television Show - UPN (WUTB 24)
- Editorial Advisory Board - *The Daily Record* Newspaper
- Board of Directors - University of Maryland School of Law Alumni Association
- Board of Directors - Great Blacks in Wax Museum
- Board of Directors - Baltimore Mentoring Partnership
- Board of Directors - Police Athletic League (PAL) (1999-2001)
- Board of Directors - Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Maryland (1995-1997)
- Mayor's MBE/WBE Advisory Committee (1998-1999)
- Advisory Board - Chesapeake Center for Youth Development
- Circle of Friends - Black Mental Health Alliance
- Volunteer for Local and State Political Campaigns
- Frequently Requested Lecturer across the country
- Recipient of 1998 "Service to BLSA" Award - University of Maryland School of Law
- Featured in *Baltimore Magazine* - October 1998
- Graduate of "The Leadership" Program Sponsored by the Greater Baltimore Committee

- Recipient of 1999 ABMW Media Choice Award - "Best Public Affairs Host (Radio)"
- Selected twice as one of "40 under 40" by the *Baltimore Business Journal* (awarded to emerging leaders in Maryland under 40 years of age) - September 1999; June 2001
- Selected as one of Baltimore's "Talented Tenth" - *Jubilee Magazine* - February 2000
- Recipient of "1999-2000 Practitioner of the Year" Award - University of Maryland School of Law BLSA
- Recipient of 2000 "Emerging Leader" Award - Monumental City Bar Association
- Recipient of 2001 "Outstanding Young Alumnus" Award - University of Maryland, College Park

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

- *Baltimore Incubator Creates New Entrepreneurs* **Minority Business Entrepreneur (MBE) Magazine**, March/April 1998
- *Are you Ready to Mind Your Own Business? Options for Creating a Business Structure in Maryland* **MCBA Notes**, Monumental City Bar Association, Spring 1998
- *Preparing the Next Generation of Business Leaders* **MPROVE Magazine**, October 1997
- *Thinking Outside of the Box: Are You Ready to Change the World?* **MPROVE Magazine**, July 1997
- *Are You a Role Model: Five Steps to Producing a Positive Future* **MPROVE Magazine**, May 1997
- *Peer Mediation: An Alternative to Violence* **Student Advocate Press**, March/April 1997
- *Circus Act: Do the Department of Justice's Proposed Reforms Help or Hinder Federal SDB Programs?* **Minority Business Entrepreneur (MBE) Magazine**, September/October 1996

Books

- *Tough Love: The Life and Death of Tupac Shakur*, Alexander Publishing Group (1996) (Anthology)
- *Atonement: The Million Man March*, Pilgrim Press (1996) (Anthology)

Speeches, Presentations and References

Available upon request