

# Mark G. Kafantaris

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## Education

**Capital University Law School**, Columbus, Ohio

*Juris Doctor, magna cum laude*, January, 2006

- GPA: 3.4/4.0; Order of the Curia; Dean's List (Four Semesters)
- CALI Book Awards: Constitutional Law I; Constitutional Litigation; Business Assns. I; Property II; Evidence

**The Ohio State University**, Columbus, Ohio

*Bachelor of Arts* (Major: Political Science; Minor: Film Studies), June, 2003

- Dean's List: 2001-2003

## Licensure

- The Supreme Court of the United States
- The Supreme Court of Ohio and all Courts and Agencies of the State
- The United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- The United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
- The United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- The United States Tax Court

## Legal Experience

**Kafantaris Law Offices**, Columbus, Ohio

*Attorney at Law*, May, 2006 to Present

- General practice with focus on civil litigation

**U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio – Judge Algenon L. Marbley**

*Judicial Extern*, Fall Term, 2005

- Drafted opinions, orders, and memoranda for the Court

**Columbus City Prosecutor's Office**

*Intern Prosecutor*, May, 2005 to May, 2006

- Prosecuted misdemeanor traffic offenses

**Supreme Court of Ohio – Justice Evelyn Lundberg Stratton**

*Judicial Extern*, Spring Term, 2005

- Prepared recommendations on pending jurisdictional memoranda and merit briefs

**Kafantaris Law Offices**, Warren, Ohio

*Law Clerk*, Summers 2001, 2002 & 2004

- Performed legal research; drafted motions and memoranda

**Law Offices of Irene K. Makridis & Raymond J. Masek**, Warren, Ohio

*Legal Assistant*, Summers 1999 & 2000

- Transcribed pleadings, briefs, interviews; and client correspondence

## Activities/Associations

- Professional Affiliations: Better Lawyer Magazine Board of Editors; Ohio State Bar Assn.; Columbus Bar Assn. (Member, Fee Arbitration Committee); Trumbull Cty. Bar Assn.; Mahoning Cty. Bar Assn.; Portage Cty. Bar Assn.; Cleveland Metro Bar Assn.; Akron Bar Assn.; Hellenic Bar Assn.

**Awards/Achievements**

- Ohio Super Lawyers – Ohio Rising Stars: 2011 & 2012
- Martindale Hubbell BV (Distinguished) Peer Rating
- Avvo – Excellent Rating: 2011 & 2012

**Published Articles**

- *To Be Early is to Be on Time*, Better Lawyer, Columbus Bar Lawyers Quarterly, 32 (Fall, 2011).
- *The Building Blocks of Credibility*, Better Lawyer, Columbus Bar Lawyers Quarterly, 27-28 (Spring, 2011).
- *A Primer on E-Mail Etiquette*, Better Lawyer, Columbus Bar Lawyers Quarterly, 31 (Spring, 2011).
- *The Limits of Advocacy*, Better Lawyer, Columbus Bar Lawyers Quarterly, 23 (Fall, 2010).
- *Dealing with Difficult Clients*, Better Lawyer, Columbus Bar Lawyers Quarterly, 26 (Spring, 2010).
- *Young Lawyers Should Decompress with Non-Legal Community Work*, Better Lawyer, Columbus Bar Lawyers Quarterly, 32 (Fall, 2009).
- *New Lawyers Take on a Difficult Case*, Better Lawyer, Columbus Bar Lawyers Quarterly, 28 (Spring, 2009).
- *The Lighter Side of Law*, Better Lawyer, Columbus Bar Lawyers Quarterly, 29 (Spring, 2008).