

Carissa C. Sterling

Carissa Sterling focuses her practice on general civil litigation. She represents business owners and individuals in a variety of litigious matters, including commercial, construction, and contract disputes. She also advises clients in complex civil litigation.

While earning her undergraduate degree, Carissa worked at the Nashville office of a national law firm and spent two summers interning at Illinois' Madison County State's Attorney's Office. During law school, she spent both summers as a Summer Associate at Carmody MacDonald. She graduated magna cum laude with her B.A. in political science and Spanish from Vanderbilt University and earned her J.D. from Washington University in St. Louis.



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Education Washington University in St. Louis School of Law, J.D., 2022

- Dean's Fellowship (merit-based, full tuition scholarship)
- *Washington University Law Review*, Chief Diversity Editor
- Black Law Students Association
- Women of Color Law Society
- Peer Academic Advisor
- Immigration Law Clinic
- Certificate in Oral Advocacy
- Dean's Leadership Award

Vanderbilt University, B.A., Political Science and Spanish, *magna cum laude*, 2018

- Project Rousseau - Chapter President
- The Party Student Advisory Committee
- Nichols-Chancellor's Medal Student Committee
- EVOLVE Leadership Program
- Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Fraternity
- Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity

Publications

- "DOJ Provides Guidance on Evaluating Federal Student Loan Discharge Requests in Bankruptcy" *ABI Journal* (April 2023 issue, pages 14-15, 66).
- "How Title IX Applies to Elementary and Secondary Schools" *St. Louis Lawyer* magazine (Volume 92, October 2020, page 18).