

Emily Lawson Wright

Bar Membership

Member of the Bar in Good Standing, State of Alaska (*November 2012*)

Inactive, State of Colorado (*October 2008*)

Education

Juris Doctor, University of Colorado Law School (*May 2008*)

Master of Arts in Teaching, University of Alaska-Southeast (*July 2002*)

Bachelor of Arts in English, University of Alaska-Fairbanks (*May 2001*)

Professional Experience

Assistant Municipal Attorney, Civil Division, City and Borough of Juneau (*April 2023 – Present*)

- Currently assigned to the Clerk's Office, Juneau School District, Docks and Harbors, Tourism, Libraries and Museums, Human Resources, and Board of Equalization. Prior assignments: Bartlett Regional Hospital, Engineering and Public Works, Capital City Fire and Rescue, Finance, and Lands.
- Tasks include civil litigation, civil appeals, administrative hearings and appeals, drafting legislation and policies, staffing and training boards and commissions, review of election referenda and initiatives, review of outside employment, review of contracts and leases, and public records requests.
- Other Experience: Acting City Attorney status and the CBJ Supervisory Academy.

Area Court Administrator, Alaska Court System (*June 2022-April 2023*)

- Responsible for the oversight of the 1st judicial district. This included: staffing (magistrates and clerks), facilities, security, budget, travel, strategic planning, and implementation of programs.
- Directly supervised fourteen staff who in turn supervised forty-five additional staff. Responsible for the oversight of twelve facilities throughout southeast Alaska. Budget of approximately \$10 million.

Magistrate IV, Alaska Court System (*November 2020-June 2022*)

- Responsible for a district court criminal docket, protection orders; minor offense court, small claims, and youth court. Appointed as a standing master for superior court civil matters, which included: dissolutions, mental health commitments, probate, and contested custody hearings.

Assistant Municipal Attorney, City and Borough of Juneau (*July 2017 – November 2020*)

- Civil Duties: Civil litigation as assigned. Responsible for Planning Commission, Community Development, Juneau School District, Capital City Fire and Rescue, Risk Management, and Collections. Criminal Duties: Caseload of 175-200 cases. Assigned to Therapeutic Court.
- Other Experience: Acting City Attorney status and LEAP program.

Labor Relations Deputy Director, State of Alaska, Dept. of Administration (*June 2014 – July 2017*)

- Responsible for oversight of six staff (four attorneys, two non-attorneys).
- Tasks included: performance reviews, concepts of progressive discipline, grievance response process, arbitration, mediation, and negotiations. Represented the State in contract negotiations as Chief Spokesperson, including development of bargaining strategies, contract language proposals, data research, and presentations to the Governor and the Legislature.

Attorney III, State of Alaska, Dept. of Law (*June 2013-June 2014*)

- Represented the State of Alaska in Child-In-Need-of-Aid cases.

Labor Relations Analyst, State of Alaska, Dept. of Administration (*August 2011-March 2012, February-June 2013*)

- Represented the State in grievance response and resolution and provided consultation to departments.

Director, Legal Advocacy Project, Alaska Network on DV/SA (*March 2012 – February 2013*)

- Responsible for program development and implementation, grant writing and management, budget management, and providing training to legal advocates and domestic violence shelters throughout Alaska.

Deputy District Attorney, Boulder District Attorney's Office (*August 2009 – July 2011*)

Law Clerk, Denver District Court (*July 2008- May 2010*)

English Teacher, Vinalhaven High School, Vinalhaven Island, ME (*August 2002 - June 2005*)