

HUGH DUN RAPPAPORT

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, Boston, MA

Assistant Regional Counsel and Special Assistant U.S. Attorney, August 2012 – Present

Serve as lead counsel representing the Agency.

- Complex Analysis And Litigation
Analyze the defensibility of Agency decisions in light of regulatory, policy, and strategic considerations.
 - Litigate defensible decisions in federal court, including by briefing and arguing dispositive motions. Consistently win dramatically more cases than my colleagues.
 - Voluntarily remand indefensible decisions back to the Agency.
- Settlements
Negotiate fee petitions under the Equal Access To Justice Act.
Consistently persuade petitioners to significantly reduce their demands.

KROKIDAS & BLUESTEIN LLP, Boston, MA

Senior Litigation Associate, March 2001 – June 2012

U.S. News & World Report has ranked Krokidas & Bluestein as one of the best law firms in both Boston and the United States.

Assumed substantial responsibility for all phases of complex litigation matters. Investigated facts, deposed witnesses, briefed and argued dispositive motions, and negotiated settlements. Focused on business and employment litigation.

- Complex Litigation
 - Single-handedly secured dismissal of all claims asserted against the Massachusetts Senate in federal court.
 - Forced a developer to abandon a project that would have substantially diminished the value of my clients' properties.
 - Extracted fatal admissions from key deponents, including:
 - The Chief Financial Officer of a major resort, leading to summary judgment in favor of my clients.
 - A designee pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. 30(b)(6), leading the party to abandon a critical claim against my client, a Fortune 500 company.
 - A former employee alleging discriminatory discharge by my client, leading to dismissal of all claims.
- Complex Investigations and Prosecutions
Investigated and prosecuted class actions on behalf of hundreds of plaintiffs, leading to the recovery of millions of dollars.
- Settlements
Negotiated numerous settlements that were extremely favorable to my clients.

TESTA, HURWITZ & THIBEAULT LLP, Boston, MA

Litigation Associate, September 1999 – March 2001

Testa, Hurwitz & Thibault was a nationally recognized law firm that, at its peak, employed hundreds of attorneys.

Represented large high-tech firms in connection with various securities matters, including informal SEC investigations and private litigation.

THE HON. ROBERT BERDON, CONNECTICUT SUPREME COURT, Hartford, CT

Judicial Clerk, June 1998 – July 1999

THE HON. SONIA SOTOMAYOR, U.S. DISTRICT COURT, S.D.N.Y., New York, NY

Judicial Intern, June – August 1996

EDUCATION

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, NY

J.D., May 1998

Honors: *Review of Law and Social Change*, Articles Editor

AMHERST COLLEGE, Amherst, MA

B.A., *magna cum laude*, May 1995

Double Major in Law, Jurisprudence, and Social Thought (LJST) and English

Honors: Robert Cover Award for Outstanding LJST Scholar

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

“Navigating the High-Stakes Litigation of Standing to Sue in Land Use Cases” (co-author)
(*Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*)

Massachusetts Discovery Practice, Chapter 15 (co-author) (MCLE)

BAR ADMISSIONS

Massachusetts, New York, and Connecticut

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Op-ed columnist:	“Justice Berdon’s Legacy of Compassion” (<i>The Hartford Courant</i>)
Magician:	Published in trade journal; performed at Magic Castle in Hollywood, CA
Jazz saxophonist:	Donated serenade to charity auction; perform in annual horrors parade