

**UNITED STATES SENATE
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY**

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR NON-JUDICIAL NOMINEES

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1. **Name**: State full name (include any former names used).

Dominick Salvatore Gerace II

2. **Position**: State the position for which you have been nominated.

United States Attorney, Southern District of Ohio, Department of Justice

3. **Address**: List current office address. If city and state of residence differs from your place of employment, please list the city and state where you currently reside.

United States Attorney's Office
Southern District of Ohio
221 E. Fourth Street, Suite 400
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

4. **Birthplace**: State date and place of birth.

1977; New Hartford, New York

5. **Education**: List in reverse chronological order each college, law school, or any other institution of higher education attended and indicate for each the dates of attendance, whether a degree was received, and the date each degree was received.

Georgetown University Law Center, 2004-2007
J.D. – May 2007

United States Military Academy, 1995-1999
B.S. – May 1999

6. **Employment Record**: List in reverse chronological order all governmental agencies, business or professional corporations, companies, firms, or other enterprises, partnerships, institutions or organizations, non-profit or otherwise, with which you have been affiliated as an officer, director, partner, proprietor, or employee since graduation from college, whether or not you received payment for your services. Include the name and address of the employer and job title or description.

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Interim United States Attorney
Paid

January 2022 – August 2025
Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP
425 Walnut Street, Suite 1800
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Partner
Paid

June 2016 – December 2021
United States Attorney's Office
Southern District of Ohio
200 W. Second Street, Suite 600
Dayton, Ohio 45402
Assistant United States Attorney, June 2021 – December 2021
Deputy Criminal Chief, December 2019 – June 2021
Assistant United States Attorney, June 2016 – December 2019
Paid

March 2012 – June 2016
United States Attorney's Office
Eastern District of Virginia
919 E. Main Street, Suite 1900
Richmond, Virginia 23219
Assistant United States Attorney
Paid

September 2008 – March 2012
Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP
425 Walnut Street, Suite 1800
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
Associate
Paid

August 2007 – August 2008
Honorable John M. Rogers
United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
100 E. Vine Street, Suite 400
Lexington, Kentucky 40507
Judicial Law Clerk
Paid

July 2006 – August 2006
Vorys Sater Seymour & Pease LLP
221 E. Fourth Street, Suite 2000
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
Summer Associate
Paid

May 2006 – July 2006
Covington & Burling LLP
1201 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20004
Summer Associate
Paid

September 2005 – May 2006
Georgetown University Law Center
600 New Jersey Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20001
Research Assistant
Paid

October 2004 – September 2005
United States Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530
Law Clerk
Paid

June 1995 – May 2024
United States Army
Armor Officer, May 1999 – May 2024
Cadet, June 1995 – May 1999
Paid

7. **Military Service and Draft Status:** Identify any service in the U.S. Military, including dates of service, branch of service, rank or rate, serial number (if different from social security number) and type of discharge received, and whether you have registered for selective service.

United States Army
Captain (Date of Rank, Effective: October 1, 2002)
First Lieutenant (Date of Rank, Effective: November 29, 2000)
Second Lieutenant (Date of Rank, Effective: May 29, 1999)
May 1999 – May 2004
Honorable Discharge

I have registered for selective service.

8. **Honors and Awards:** List any scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, academic or professional honors, honorary society memberships, military awards, and any other special recognition for outstanding service or achievement.

The Best Lawyers in America, Criminal Defense: White Collar, 2026

Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist, 2022 – Present

Attorney General's Award for Excellence in Furthering the Interests of U.S. National Security, United States Department of Justice, 2022

United States Attorney's Award for Outstanding Performance, United States Department of Justice, 2018

Mid-Atlantic Region OCDETF Award for Outstanding Work in an Investigation and Prosecution of an Operation (2016)

DEA Certificate of Appreciation for the Investigation of a Drug Trafficking Organization (July 2016)

DEA Certificate of Appreciation for Outstanding Contribution to the Field of Drug Law Enforcement (May 2015)

Magna Cum Laude, Georgetown University Law Center, 2007

Order of the Coif, Georgetown University Law Center, 2007

CALI Excellence for the Future Award, Administrative Law, Georgetown University Law Center, 2007

Charles A. Keigwin Award, Georgetown University Law Center, 2005

Kosovo Campaign Medal (1 Bronze Star); Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; NATO Medal; Army Commendation Medal (Second Award); Army Achievement Medal; National Defense Service Medal (Second Award); Army Service Ribbon; Overseas Service Ribbon; Air Assault Badge; United States Army, 1995-2004

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, United States Military Academy, 1999

9. **Bar Associations:** List all bar associations or legal or judicial-related committees, selection panels or conferences of which you are or have been a member, and give the titles and dates of any offices which you have held in such groups.

Federal Bar Association

Cincinnati Bar Association

Ohio State Bar Association

American Bar Association

Potter Stewart American Inn of Court

The John Marshall American Inn of Court

10. **Bar and Court Admission:**

- a. List the date(s) you were admitted to the bar of any state and any lapses in membership. Please explain the reason for any lapse in membership.

Ohio, November 2007

There have been no lapses in membership.

- b. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice, including dates of admission and any lapses in membership. Please explain the reason for any lapse in membership. Give the same information for administrative bodies that require special admission to practice.

United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (October 2013)

United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit (December 2007)

United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio (January 2009)

United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio (May 2022)

All state courts in Ohio (November 2007)

There have been no lapses in membership.

As an Assistant United States Attorney in the Eastern District of Virginia, I was authorized to practice in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia pursuant to a local rule that did not require admission to the Court for federal government attorneys who were appearing pursuant to the authority of the United States Attorney's Office and who were licensed by the highest court in any state of the United States.

11. **Memberships:**

- a. List all professional, business, fraternal, scholarly, civic, charitable, or other organizations, other than those listed in response to Questions 9 or 10 to which you belong, or to which you have belonged, since graduation from law school. Provide dates of membership or participation, and indicate any office you held.

Include clubs, working groups, advisory or editorial boards, panels, committees, conferences, or publications.

Cincinnati Bar Foundation (2024 – 2025)

Board of Trustees Member (June 2024 – August 2025)

Catholic Inner-City Schools Education (CISE) (2024 – 2025)

School Improvement Committee Member (April 2024 – August 2025)

Cincinnati Academy of Leadership for Lawyers, Class 25 (2023)

Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists (2022 – Present)

Central Ohio Chapter Board Member (November 2023 – August 2025)

St. Thomas More Lawyers Guild of Greater Cincinnati (2022 – Present)

Board Member (January 2025 – August 2025)

Co-Chair of Red Mass Committee (October 2023 – October 2024)

West Point Society of Greater Cincinnati (2022 – Present)

Vice President (May 2023 – August 2025)

Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies (2022 – Present)

Indian Hill Winter Club (2017 – 2020)

In addition, I have made financial contributions to charitable organizations over the years. Such organizations may list me as a member by virtue of my financial contribution. I have not listed above any organization to which I gave funds and did not otherwise participate in programmatic activities.

- b. Indicate whether any of these organizations listed in response to 11a above currently discriminate or formerly discriminated on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin either through formal membership requirements or the practical implementation of membership policies. If so, describe any action you have taken to change these policies and practices.

To my knowledge, none of these organizations discriminates or formerly discriminated on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin either through formal membership requirements or the practical implementation of membership policies.

12. **Published Writings and Public Statements:**

- a. List the titles, publishers, and dates of books, articles, reports, letters to the editor, editorial pieces, or other published material you have written or edited, including material published only on the Internet. Supply four (4) copies of all published

material to the Committee.

I have done my best to identify all books, articles, reports, letters to the editor, editorial pieces and other published material, including through a review of my personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. Despite my searches, there may be other materials that I have been unable to identify, find, or remember. I have located the following:

Article, *ACAMS Central Ohio Chapter: Banking Marijuana*, ACAMS Today, September 5, 2024. Copy supplied.

Article, *3 Insights On DOJ Self-Disclosure Policy From Sterling Plea*, Law360.com, March 30, 2023. Copy supplied.

Law Bulletin, *FinCEN Issues Proposed Regulation Governing Financial Institution Access to Beneficial Ownership Information*, Taftlaw.com, December 22, 2022. Copy supplied.

Law Bulletin, *Corporate Transparency Act Requires Many Domestic and Foreign Companies To Report Beneficial Ownership Information to FinCEN*, Taftlaw.com, October 18, 2022. Copy supplied.

Law Bulletin, *Research Security Compliance for Academic Institutions*, Taftlaw.com, August 9, 2022. Copy supplied.

Article, *Judge's Veto Of Arbery Hate Crime Plea Deal Is Not Unusual*, Law360.com, February 6, 2022. Copy supplied.

Additionally, I served as Editor-in-Chief of the Georgetown Law Journal's Thirty-Sixth Annual Review of Criminal Procedure (2007). The publication is over 1,000 pages and is edited yearly to reflect to current state of the law of federal criminal procedure.

- b. Supply four (4) copies of any reports, memoranda or policy statements you prepared or contributed in the preparation of on behalf of any bar association, committee, conference, or organization of which you were or are a member. If you do not have a copy of a report, memorandum or policy statement, give the name and address of the organization that issued it, the date of the document, and a summary of its subject matter.

I have been unable to identify any such materials.

- c. Supply four (4) copies of any testimony, official statements or other communications relating, in whole or in part, to matters of public policy or legal interpretation, that you have issued or provided or that others presented on your behalf to public bodies or public officials.

Since being appointed as interim United States Attorney, the following press releases have been issued from my office:

Press Release, *Fugitive wanted for murder charged with firing shots at federal agents in Springfield hotel*, United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Ohio (August 19, 2025). Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Dayton man sentenced to more than 11 years in prison for purchasing opioid cutting agent from China to distribute throughout Midwest*, United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Ohio (August 19, 2025). Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Ohio man pleads guilty to antisemitic assault near OSU campus*, United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Ohio (August 15, 2025). Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Grand jury indicts illegal alien for sexually exploiting 12-year-old victim*, United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Ohio (August 13, 2025). Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Cincinnati man allegedly involved in downtown brawl charged with federal gun crime*, United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Ohio (August 13, 2025). Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Cincinnati woman charged with stealing more than \$148,000 from elderly or ill veterans*, United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Ohio (August 13, 2025). Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Grand jury indicts man who allegedly made death threats against ICE agents*, United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Ohio (August 13, 2025). Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Former children's hospital doctor charged with federal child pornography crimes*, United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Ohio (August 12, 2025). Copy supplied.

Press Release, *Dominick S. Gerace II sworn in as United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio*, United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Ohio (August 11, 2025). Copy supplied.

- d. Supply four (4) copies, transcripts or recordings of all speeches or talks delivered by you, including commencement speeches, remarks, lectures, panel discussions, conferences, political speeches, and question-and-answer sessions. Include the date and place where they were delivered, and readily available press reports about the speech or talk. If you do not have a copy of the speech or a transcript or

recording of your remarks, give the name and address of the group before whom the speech was given, the date of the speech, and a summary of its subject matter. If you did not speak from a prepared text, furnish a copy of any outline or notes from which you spoke.

I have done my best to identify transcripts or recordings of all speeches or talks delivered, including thorough a review of my personal files and searches of publicly available electronic databases. I frequently speak without notes or speak from a handwritten outlines. I did not retain handwritten outlines and have attached all outlines that I could find. Despite my searches, there may be other materials I have been unable to identify, find, or remember. I have located the following:

United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
Potter Stewart U.S. Courthouse
100 E. Fifth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio
August 11, 2025

I delivered remarks after being sworn in as interim United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio. Transcript supplied.

University of Dayton School of Law
300 College Park, Dayton, Ohio
March 19, 2025

I spoke to Professor Shea Daley Burdette's class of law students about the Fourth Amendment and the exclusionary rule. I have no notes and there is no press coverage or transcript of which I am aware.

ACAMS Central Ohio Chapter
BMI FCU
6165 Emerald Parkway, Dublin, Ohio
June 25, 2024

I participated as a moderator in a panel discussion regarding banking issues related to cannabis and marijuana-related businesses. I used the attached outline to make opening remarks and prompt discussion. The panel discussion is summarized in the article "*ACAMS Central Ohio Chapter: Banking Marijuana*" listed above. There is no press coverage or transcript of the panel discussion of which I am aware. Outline supplied.

University of Dayton School of Law
300 College Park, Dayton, Ohio
November 20, 2023

I spoke to Adjunct Professor Vipal Patel's criminal procedure class about *Miranda* rights. I have no notes and there is no press coverage or transcript of which I'm aware.

University of Dayton School of Law

300 College Park, Dayton, Ohio
February 23, 2023

I spoke to Adjunct Professor Vipal Patel's federal criminal law class about the federal wire and mail fraud statutes. I have no notes and there is no press coverage or transcript of which I'm aware.

ACAMS Central Ohio Chapter
Grandview Yard at Nationwide
1000 Yard Street, Columbus, Ohio
February 22, 2023

I participated as a moderator in a panel discussion regarding Suspicious Activity Report (SAR) writing for law enforcement. I used the attached outline to make opening remarks and prompt discussion. The discussion generally involved law enforcement use of SARs in investigations and tips for writing effective SARs to aid law enforcement. There is no press coverage or transcript of the panel discussion of which I am aware. Outline supplied.

- e. List all interviews you have given to newspapers, magazines or other publications, or radio or television stations, providing the dates of these interviews and four (4) copies of the clips or transcripts of these interviews where they are available to you.

I have done my best to identify all interviews given, including through a review of my personal files, and searches of publicly available electronic databases. Despite my searches, there may be other materials that I have been unable to identify, find, or remember. I have located the following:

Interview, *Cincinnati Red Mass*, Sacred Heart Radio (September 17, 2024). This interview is available at <https://www.sacredheartradio.com/driving-home-the-faith/show-notes-for-tuesday-09-27-24>.

Interview, *Hamilton County task force seizes 80 pounds of meth; officials say traffickers were using short-term rentals*, WCPO (June 20, 2024). My quotations from this interview, including video, can be located at <https://www.wcpo.com/news/local-news/hamilton-county-drug-task-force-seizes-over-80-pounds-of-meth-from-alleged-trafficker>.

13. Public Office, Political Activities and Affiliations:

- a. List chronologically any public offices you have held, other than judicial offices, including the terms of service and whether such positions were elected or appointed. If appointed, please include the name of the individual who appointed you. Also, state chronologically any unsuccessful candidacies you have had for elective office or unsuccessful nominations for appointed office.

I have not run for public office and have had no unsuccessful nominations for

appointed office.

I have held the following appointed position at the United States Department of Justice:

United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio, 2025 - Present.
I was appointed by U.S. Attorney General Pamela Bondi.

- b. List all memberships and offices held in and services rendered, whether compensated or not, to any political party or election committee. If you have ever held a position or played a role in a political campaign, identify the particulars of the campaign, including the candidate, dates of the campaign, your title and responsibilities.

I am a member of the Republican Party. I have not held a position or played a formal role in a political campaign.

14. **Legal Career:** Answer each part separately.

- a. Describe chronologically your law practice and legal experience after graduation from law school including:

- i. whether you served as clerk to a judge, and if so, the name of the judge, the court and the dates of the period you were a clerk;

I clerked for the Honorable John M. Rogers of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit from August 2007 to August 2008.

- ii. whether you practiced alone, and if so, the addresses and dates;

I have not practiced alone.

- iii. the dates, names and addresses of law firms or offices, companies or governmental agencies with which you have been affiliated, and the nature of your affiliation with each.

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June 2016 – December 2021
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Assistant United States Attorney, June 2021 – December 2021
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Assistant United States Attorney, June 2016 – December 2019
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August 2025 – Present
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Interim United States Attorney
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- iv. whether you served as a mediator or arbitrator in alternative dispute resolution proceedings and, if so, a description of the 10 most significant

matters with which you were involved in that capacity.

I have not served as a mediator or arbitrator.

- v. Whether you have held any judicial office, including positions as an administrative law judge, on any U.S. federal, state, tribal, or local court and if so, please provide the name of the court, the jurisdiction of that court, whether the position was appointed or elected, and the dates of your service.

I have not held any judicial office.

b. Describe:

- i. the general character of your law practice and indicate by date when its character has changed over the years.

Please see the response below to Question 14.b.ii.

- ii. your typical clients and the areas at each period of your legal career, if any, in which you have specialized.

In 2008, I became an associate at Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP, where I was assigned to the litigation department. My work included civil and appellate litigation and white-collar criminal defense. Our clients included individuals under investigation or indictment by federal and state authorities, as well as businesses, organizations, and individuals engaged in civil and contractual disputes.

In 2012, I left Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP to become an Assistant United States Attorney in the Eastern District of Virginia. There I represented the United States in criminal cases involving fraud, money laundering, tax evasion, sex trafficking, drug trafficking, and firearms offenses.

In 2016, I joined the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Ohio as an Assistant United States Attorney. There I represented the United States in criminal cases involving national security, international terrorism, public corruption, fraud, drug trafficking, child exploitation, and firearms offenses.

In 2022, I rejoined Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP as a partner, where I practiced in the areas of white-collar criminal defense, compliance, government investigations and civil litigation. Our clients included individuals under investigation or indictment by federal and state authorities, businesses, organizations, and individuals involved in contractual or other civil disputes, and clients requiring advice or counsel

regarding United States anti-money laundering laws and regulations.

In 2025, I was appointed as interim United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio, where I serve as the chief federal law enforcement officer representing the United States in all federal criminal and civil litigation in the Southern District of Ohio and lead a staff of approximately 100 prosecutors, civil litigators, and support personnel across three offices in Columbus, Cincinnati, and Dayton.

- c. Describe the percentage of your practice that has been in litigation and whether you appeared in court frequently, occasionally, or not at all. If the frequency of your appearances in court varied, describe such variance, providing dates.

Approximately 95% of my practice has been spent in litigation or in advising clients in matters potentially or likely to result in litigation, government enforcement actions, or criminal charges. I have appeared in court very frequently throughout my career, often multiple times per week during my time as a federal prosecutor, for initial appearances, arraignments, detention and preliminary hearings, suppression and other evidentiary hearings, plea hearings, trials, sentencings, and post-conviction proceedings. During both of my terms in private practice, I appeared in court occasionally.

- i. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| 1. federal courts: | 85% |
| 2. state courts of record: | 14% |
| 3. other courts: | 0% |
| 4. administrative agencies: | 1% |

- ii. Indicate the percentage of your practice in:

- | | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. civil proceedings: | 20% |
| 2. criminal proceedings: | 80% |

- d. State the number of cases in courts of record, including cases before administrative law judges, you tried to verdict, judgment or final decision (rather than settled), indicating whether you were sole counsel, chief counsel, or associate counsel.

I have tried four cases to verdict. I was sole counsel in one trial, co-counsel in two trials (we did not designate lead counsel), and associate counsel in one trial.

- i. What percentage of these trials were:

- | | |
|--------------|-----|
| 1. Jury: | 75% |
| 2. non-jury: | 25% |

- e. Describe your practice, if any, before the Supreme Court of the United States. Supply four (4) copies of any briefs, amicus or otherwise, and, if applicable, any

oral argument transcripts before the Supreme Court in connection with your practice.

I have not practiced before the Supreme Court.

15. **Litigation:** Describe the ten (10) most significant litigated matters which you personally handled, whether or not you were the attorney of record. Give the citations, if the cases were reported, and the docket number and date if unreported. Give a capsule summary of the substance of each case. Identify the party or parties whom you represented; describe in detail the nature of your participation in the litigation and the final disposition of the case. Also state as to each case:

- a. the date of representation;
- b. the name of the court and the name of the judge or judges before whom the case was litigated; and
- c. the individual name, addresses, and telephone numbers of co-counsel and of principal counsel for each of the other parties.

1. United States v. Laith Alebbini

Case No. 3:17-cr-00071

979 F.3d 537 (6th Cir. 2020)

United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio

The Honorable Walter H. Rice

2017-2020

I served as co-counsel for the United States in the investigation and prosecution of a Jordanian national for attempting to provide material support to ISIS and conspiring to do the same. After a months-long investigation involving cooperating witnesses and other investigatory techniques, the defendant was arrested at the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport prior to boarding a flight to Turkey with the intent to join ISIS in Syria. Among other work, I participated in the investigation, interviewed witnesses, participated in grand jury and pretrial proceedings, drafted court filings, served as trial counsel during trial and sentencing, and assisted in the drafting of the government's brief on appeal.

The defendant was convicted after trial and sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment. The convictions and sentence were upheld on appeal.

Primary Co-Counsel:

Vipal Patel (former AUSA)

Squire Patton Boggs

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Washington, DC 20530
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Opposing Counsel:

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2. United States v. Naser Almadaoji
Case No. 3:18-cr-00158
567 F. Supp. 3d 834 (S.D. Ohio 2021)
United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
The Honorable Walter H. Rice
2018-2021

I served as co-counsel for the United States in the investigation and prosecution of a United States citizen for attempting to provide material support to ISIS. After a months-long investigation involving cooperating witnesses, undercover law enforcement operations, and other investigatory techniques, the defendant was arrested at the John Glenn Columbus International Airport prior to boarding a flight to Kazakhstan with the intent to join ISIS in Afghanistan. Among other work, I participated in the investigation, interviewed witnesses, participated in grand jury proceedings, argued motions, drafted court filings, and served as counsel during court proceedings, including pretrial, suppression and plea hearings.

The defendant pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 10-years imprisonment.

Primary Co-Counsel:

Nicholas Dingeldein (former AUSA)
GE Aerospace
1 Neumann Way

Cincinnati, Ohio 45215
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Trial Attorney
United States Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530
(202) 353-3909

Opposing Counsel:

James P. Fleisher
Bieser Greer & Landis LLP
409 E. Monument Avenue, Suite 400
Dayton, Ohio 45402
(937) 250-7783

3. United States v. Ethan Kollie

Case No. 3:18-cr-00158
United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
The Honorable Walter H. Rice
2018-2021

I served as co-counsel for the United States in the investigation and prosecution arising from the 2019 mass shooting in Dayton, Ohio, during which nine victims were murdered and 17 others were injured. During the investigation of the shooting, Ethan Kollie, a friend of shooter Connor Betts, was interviewed and later charged with lying on federal firearms forms and illegally possessing firearms. Kollie had purchased firearm components and body armor that Betts used in the shooting. Among other work, I participated in the investigation, interviewed witnesses, participated in grand jury proceedings, drafted court filings, and served as counsel in all court proceedings, including pretrial, plea and sentencing hearings.

The defendant pled guilty and was sentenced to 32 months' imprisonment.

Primary Co-Counsel:

Vipal Patel (former AUSA)
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Opposing Counsel:

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4. United States v. Ronald E. Skelton II

Case No. 3:15-cr-00028
United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
The Honorable Walter H. Rice
2019-2021

I served as co-counsel for the United States in the prosecution of a defendant who assaulted a United States Secret Service Special Agent and a County Sheriff's Office deputy. The assaults occurred when law enforcement attempted to interview the defendant related to posts on social media that were perceived as threatening physical harm toward the President of the United States. The defendant struck the deputy in the head and the Secret Service agent in the face, breaking the agent's nose and requiring surgery. The defendant asserted a not-guilty-by-reason-of-insanity defense. Among other work, I interviewed witnesses, participated in pretrial hearings, drafted court filings, and served as trial counsel during trial and sentencing.

The defendant was convicted after trial and sentenced to 27 months' imprisonment.

Primary Co-Counsel:

Judge Andrew Hunt (former AUSA)
Fairborn Municipal Court
1148 Kauffman Avenue
Fairborn, Ohio 45324
(937) 754-3040

Opposing Counsel:

Cheryll Bennett
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5. United States v. Aldair Hodza, et al.

Case No. 3:15-cr-32
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
The Honorable Henry E. Hudson
2015

I served as co-counsel for the United States in the prosecution of two individuals who kidnapped, tortured and sex-trafficked a female victim. Defendants convinced the victim to join them in a recreational vehicle and forced her into prostitution on a trip from Iowa to Virginia, during which they tortured the victim. Among other work, I participated in grand jury proceedings, drafting pleadings and other court filings, and served as counsel in court proceedings, including pretrial, plea, and sentencing hearings.

Both defendants pleaded guilty to sex trafficking by force, fraud, or coercion, and interstate transportation of a person for prostitution. One defendant was sentenced to 41.6 years' imprisonment and the other was sentenced to 40 years' imprisonment.

Primary Co-Counsel:

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Heather Hart Mansfield
United States Attorney's Office
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Richmond, VA 23219
(804) 819-5400

Opposing Counsel:

Kevin Michael Schork
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Richmond, Virginia 23219
(804) 648-7900

Amy L. Austin
Office of the Federal Public Defender
701 E. Broad Street, Suite 3600
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(804) 343-0800

Mary Elizabeth Maguire
Office of the Federal Public Defender
210 First Street SW, Suite 400
Roanoke, Virginia 24011
(540) 777-0880

6. United States v. Fernando Josue Chang Monroy

Case No. 3:14-cr-00075
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
The Honorable Henry E. Hudson
2014-2016

I served as co-counsel for the United States in the investigation, prosecution and extradition of a Guatemalan national for international drug trafficking and money laundering involving the transportation of 2,000 kilograms of cocaine in Central and South America. The defendant and his co-conspirators purchased and used U.S.-registered aircraft to transport cocaine from clandestine airstrips in Venezuela and Honduras. Among other work, I participated in the investigation, interviewed witnesses, participated in grand jury and extradition proceedings, and served as counsel in court proceedings.

The defendant pled guilty to conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and distribute cocaine on a U.S.-registered aircraft and was sentenced to 262 months' imprisonment.

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7. United States v. Matthew Jones

Case No. 3:18-cr-00002

United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio

The Honorable Walter H. Rice

2017-2020

I served as co-counsel for the United States in the investigation and prosecution of a defendant who sexually abused two minors in separate incidents in 2003 and 2009 and created hundreds of images of the abuse. The federal investigation uncovered evidence of this conduct in approximately 2017. The investigative findings in the federal case then led to separate rape charges filed against the defendant in two Ohio counties. Among other work, I participated in the investigation, interviewed witnesses, participated in grand jury proceedings and pretrial hearings, coordinated with county prosecutor offices, drafted court filings, and served as counsel in plea and sentencing proceedings.

The defendant pleaded guilty to federal charges of production of child pornography and state charges for rape of a person under age 10, and other sexual assault charges. The defendant was sentenced to 270 months' imprisonment in federal court, to life imprisonment without the possibility of parole in one county, and to 20 years to life imprisonment in the other county.

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8. United States v. Sean M. Weaver

Case No. 3:15-cr-139

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia

The Honorable John A. Gibney, Jr.

2015

I served as co-counsel for the United States in the investigation and prosecution of a defendant who committed fraud resulting in a loss to victims exceeding \$20 million. The defendant was a member of the transaction tax practice group that specialized in submitting claims to state and local taxing authorities to obtain refunds of sales and/or use tax overpayments made by clients. The defendant caused several false claims to be submitted to the taxing authorities of two U.S. states on behalf of clients. The state taxing authorities issued over \$20 million in fraudulent refunds and the defendant received over \$350,000 in personal bonus payments generated by the scheme. Among other work, I interviewed witnesses, drafted court filings, and served as counsel in all court proceedings, including pretrial, plea and sentencing hearings.

The defendant pled guilty to mail fraud and money laundering and was sentenced to 71 months' imprisonment.

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9. United States v. Lenora Banks-Davis
Case No. 3:12-cr-000
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
The Honorable John A. Gibney, Jr.

I served as co-counsel for the United States in the prosecution of a defendant for defrauding an elderly widow. The defendant used the victim's credit card for the

purpose of paying the defendant's own personal expenses and obligations, while falsely representing to the victim that the credit card only would be used to help the victim consolidate and pay off her financial obligations. The defendant had also previously defrauded the victim over the course of a 30-year relationship. Among other work, I interviewed witnesses, participated in pretrial hearings, argued motions, drafted court filings, served as trial counsel at trial and sentencing, drafted post-trial pleadings, and assisted in the drafting of the government's brief on appeal.

The defendant was convicted after trial and sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment. The conviction and sentence were upheld on appeal.

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10. United States v. Marek Grigsby
Case No. 3:19-cr-00037
United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
The Honorable Walter H. Rice
2019-2020

I served as counsel for the United States in the investigation and prosecution of a defendant who sexually abused a young child and produced videos and images depicting the abuse. The defendant also created obscene images of another minor victim. The defendant initially had been investigated as a drug courier and agents uncovered the exploitation of children during the course of the drug investigation. Among other work, I participated in the investigation, drafted court filings, and served as counsel in plea and sentencing proceedings.

The defendant pled guilty and was sentenced to 330 months' imprisonment.

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16. **Legal Activities:** Describe the most significant legal activities you have pursued, including significant litigation which did not progress to trial or legal matters that did not involve litigation. Describe fully the nature of your participation in these activities. List any client(s) or organization(s) for whom you performed lobbying activities and describe the lobbying activities you performed on behalf of such client(s) or organizations(s). (Note: As to any facts requested in this question, please omit any information protected by the attorney-client privilege.)

While in private practice, I represented the University of Cincinnati and certain of its employees in their official capacities in a lawsuit brought in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio by a former student who had been expelled from the university. The former student alleged violations of Title IX and due process concerning the disciplinary proceedings against him. Among other relief, the former student sought a preliminary injunction prohibiting the university from expelling him. I conducted discovery, took and defended depositions, and wrote briefs filed in both the district court and court of appeals. The district court denied the motion for preliminary injunction and that ruling was upheld on appeal.

I also represented entities and individuals under investigation for violations of the False Claims Act and Anti-Kickback statute, including in responding to Civil Investigative Demands for documents and testimony.

I have never participated in lobbying activities.

17. **Teaching:** What courses have you taught? For each course, state the title, the institution at which you taught the course, the years in which you taught the course, and describe briefly the subject matter of the course and the major topics taught. If you have a syllabus of each course, provide four (4) copies to the committee.

I have not taught any courses on a full-time basis. From time to time, I have been asked to serve as a guest lecturer at educational institutions on various topics. I have described those lectures in response to Question 12(d) above.

18. **Deferred Income/ Future Benefits:** List the sources, amounts and dates of all anticipated receipts from deferred income arrangements, stock, options, uncompleted contracts and other future benefits which you expect to derive from previous business relationships, professional services, firm memberships, former employers, clients or customers. Describe the arrangements you have made to be compensated in the future for any financial or business interest.

Beginning in or about September 2025, the balance of my capital account at Taft

Stettinius & Hollister LLP will be paid to me in 48 bi-monthly installments over 24 months. As of December 2024, my capital account balance was \$69,388.16. The balance as of the date of my departure from the firm (August 10, 2025) had yet to be calculated.

19. **Outside Commitments During Service:** Do you have any plans, commitments, or agreements to pursue outside employment, with or without compensation, during your service with the court? If so, explain.

None.

20. **Sources of Income:** List sources and amounts of all income received during the calendar year preceding your nomination and for the current calendar year, including all salaries, fees, dividends, interest, gifts, rents, royalties, licensing fees, honoraria, and other items exceeding \$500 or more (if you prefer to do so, copies of the financial disclosure report, required by the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, may be substituted here).

Please see my OGE-278 as provided by the Office of Government Ethics.

21. **Statement of Net Worth:** Please complete the attached financial net worth statement in detail (add schedules as called for).

See attached Net Worth Statement.

22. **Potential Conflicts of Interest:**

- a. Identify the family members or other persons, parties, affiliations, pending and categories of litigation, financial arrangements or other factors that are likely to present potential conflicts-of-interest when you first assume the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you would address any such conflict if it were to arise.

During the nomination process, I consulted with the Department of Justice's ethics office and Designated Ethics Officer to identify any potential conflicts. If I am confirmed, I will continue to consult with that office and will recuse myself from any matter in which recusal is required.

- b. Explain how you will resolve any potential conflict of interest, including the procedure you will follow in determining these areas of concern.

If I am confirmed, any potential conflict of interest will be resolved in accordance with the terms of an ethics agreement that I have entered with the Department's designated agency ethics official. If confirmed, I will continue to consult with the Department of Justice's ethics office and will recuse myself from any matter in which recusal is required.

23. **Pro Bono Work:** An ethical consideration under Canon 2 of the American Bar

Association's Code of Professional Responsibility calls for "every lawyer, regardless of professional prominence or professional workload, to find some time to participate in serving the disadvantaged." Describe what you have done to fulfill these responsibilities, listing specific instances and the amount of time devoted to each. If you are not an attorney, please use this opportunity to report significant charitable and volunteer work you may have done.

I spent most of my career in public service, where I served the community and routinely engaged with the victims of sexual and violent offenses, some of whom were disadvantaged. During my first term in private practice, I volunteered to represent indigent criminal defendants in misdemeanor cases in state court through the county public defender. I estimate that I spent 3 to 4 hours per week on such cases when assigned. During my second term in private practice, I supervised an associate in a pro bono matter involving the representation of an indigent prisoner who had been sued in federal court. I estimate that I spent over 25 hours on the matter, including time spent visiting the client in prison.

AFFIDAVIT

I, Dominick S. Gerace II, do swear that the information provided in this statement is, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate.

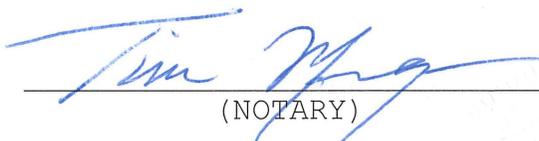
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