

# Paola G. Zaragoza Cardenales

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## Attorney Profile – Intellectual Property

Licensed attorney and a dynamic, resourceful, and results-driven professional with eight years of combined experience and academic training in the legal sector. Prepared to leveraged expertise to enhance services offered by leading firms and legal departments.

## Areas of Expertise

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| ☐ Legal Proceedings           | ☐ Legal Research & Documentation   | ☐ Collaboration / Teamwork                  |
| ☐ Intellectual Property       | ☐ Case / Trial / Court Preparation | ☐ Regulatory Compliance                     |
| ☐ Client Advocacy / Relations | ☐ Litigation Strategy              | ☐ Legal / Administrative / Clerical Support |

## Credentials

New York State Bar – Registration No. 578413

## Education

**Doctorate in Judicial Science**, Indiana University Maurer Law, Bloomington, IN, expected May 2022  
*Thesis: “Law to Use The Mark DelPaís,” Act 195-2016: A Case Study of Puerto Rico’s Attempt to Use Geographic Indications for Economic Development*  
*Activities: Deans Council Chairperson, 2021 Georgetown Law SJD Roundtable Presenter*

**Master’s in Law – Intellectual Property**, University of California – Berkley, Berkley, CA, May 2018  
*Activities: Student Organization for Advanced Legal Studies Member, Berkeley Law Society Member*

**Juris Doctor**, University of Puerto Rico – Rio Piedras, San Juan, PR, May 2016  
*Activities: Pro Bono Against Domestic Violence (VIVID) Co-Creator and Assistant Treasurer, Class 2016 Directive Interim President*

**Bachelor’s in Business Accounting and Human Resources**, University of Puerto Rico – Rio Piedras, San Juan, PR, May 2008  
*Activities: Golden Key Member, National Society of Collegiate Scholars Member, and Association of Accounting Students Member*

## Professional Experience

### Independent Contractor, **Location** Attorney – Pro Bono

**Present**

For multiple clients, provide legal advice, assistance, and representation, with a focus on counsel. Apply legal knowledge and accessed various materials to aid efforts such as registering products and services, contract management, and the development of resources that benefit entire communities.

- To date, select clients have been Indiana University Corps, Atticus Project, and NYSBA.
- With Indiana University Corps, developed a toolkit essential to the success of a syringe disposal center for the SHIPHAPPENS-Prevent Pricks program.
- For the Atticus Project, streamlined contract management having utilized eBrevia Solutions to label and annotate contract clauses, allowing for improved accuracy and efficiency when attorneys accessed documents.
- Aided the Shriley Chishol Cultural Institute and additional non-profits with registering trademarks and copyrights, as well as predicted and resolved issues throughout the process.

## Law Clerk

Provided continuous support to the judge, with efforts having contributed to informed legal decisions being determined. For all cases heard, researched and reviewed relevant legal materials and information which included having properly recognized implications, existing legal precedents, and additional factors that impacted rulings. For and throughout proceedings prepared meticulous documentation distributed to the judge, attorneys, and supplementary parties present during hearings or meetings. Performed additional duties as directed, which streamlined workflow.

- Conducted research and aided the writing process for an opinion that the judge signed and published.
- With dedicated and accurate service, Judge's productivity on attending case dockets increased.

## Marichal Hernández, Santiago & Juarbe, San Juan, PR Law Clerk

August 2013 – August 2015

For the team of attorneys and cases, conducted exhaustive research and composed and compiled documentation vital to the formation of legal determinations and actions, and ensured that clients received top-tier representation. Integral to firm outreach efforts having utilized internal resources and legal knowledge to prepare consulting memos and emails. Executed additional strategies that benefitted legal professionals and clientele.

- Continuously prepared error-free documents for local and federal cases.

## Toyota PR & Motor Ambar Automotive Industry, San Juan, PR Administrated and Human Resources Assistant

June 2011 – July 2012 | January – May 2013

Assessed existing documentation and overhauled materials which aided disaster recover procedures. Conducted performance evaluations and identify staff weaknesses and strengths, vital to the ongoing development of the high-achieving team. Crucial to the assessment of marketing performance having introduced a new database that was utilized for digital post-sales analyses.

## Academic Awards

Highest grade in Dissertation Fundamentals and Academic Legal Writing  
Top 10 students with the highest GPA in entering class  
Global Reach Scholarship Award 2017-2018  
Honor Student from 2008-2013 and Magna Cum Laude 2013

## Publications

1. Marca que no se registra, se la lleva la corriente; Toda marca tiene su final, nada dura para siempre, Didasko Magazine, Online, <https://revistadidasko.files.wordpress.com/2019/02/rad-no.-2-invierno-2018-2019.pdf>
2. El nombre hace la cosa. El Nuevo Día, online, <https://www.pressreader.com/puerto-rico/el-nuevo-dial/20180513/282200831563459>
3. Organizaciones sin fines de lucro: Análisis comparativo del tratamiento fiscal y el control del estado a nivel federal y estatal, 86 Rev. Jur. UPR 168, 2017.
4. Corporaciones de responsabilidad limitada en serie: búsqueda de orientación en la ley de Delaware, Rev. Jur. UPR In Rev., 2017.