

Kjrsten Tendall Hersey

EDUCATION

University of Baltimore School of Law, Juris Doctor **2004**
Legal Research and Writing Program Teaching Assistant

Gettysburg College Bachelor of Arts **2001**
Major: Management
Minors: Political Science & Religion
Study Abroad: Denmark's International Studies
College Golf Team

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Armstrong, Donohue, Ceppos, Vaughan & Rhoades, Chtd. **ROCKVILLE, MD**
February 2022 – present

- Civil litigation defense, focusing on the defense of medical professionals
- Participate in all phases of civil litigation including written discovery, depositions, expert retention, motions practice, trial preparation, trial, and appeals
- Retain and work with expert witness doctors, nurses, as well as in other specialized fields

TIMOTHY S. SMITH & ASSOCIATES **LANHAM, MD**
Attorney, Law State Farm Claims Litigation Counsel 2013- 2022

- Senior Trial Attorney, handled a portfolio of complex fire and auto cases across a wide range of Maryland counties and Washington, D.C. Utilized written and verbal skills, as well as strong negotiation and problem-solving skills. Served as a mentor to other attorneys on file handling, claims relationships, litigation and trial skills, and case analysis.
- Supervising Attorney, handled the leadership and management of all aspects of the law office, including hiring, onboarding, performance management, budget, file assignment and personnel. Responsible for communication with claims partners to share office wide updates and courthouse advancements, while ensuring work towards common goals.

THE TORNATORE LAW FIRM **CROFTON, MD**
Associate Attorney **2005 – 2013**

- Handled a large portfolio of active litigation in both district and circuit court with a primary focus in insurance defense. In addition to maintaining client relationships, was responsible for fostering claims relationships and generating business, while managing support staff.

CLERKSHIP **LA PLATA, MD**
Circuit Court for Charles County **2004 - 2005**
Law Clerk to the Honorable Steven G. Chappelle (retired)

BAR ADMISSIONS

Maryland
District of Columbia

DESIGNATION

Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriter (CPCU), The Institutes **2019**
Intensive coursework of the financial, legal, operational, and technical aspects of risk management and insurance.