

Marina Michaels

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Attorney with 12 years of experience representing plaintiffs in medical malpractice lawsuits. Won multimillion-dollar settlements for clients in cases related to misdiagnosis, delayed diagnosis, and medication errors. Strong experience overseeing paralegals and mentoring law students on malpractice lawsuits and other personal injury cases.

Education

Juris Doctor

UIC John Marshall Law School,
Chicago, IL | 2011

Key Skills

- Client communications
- Expert witness sourcing
- Junior staff mentoring
- Legal document preparation
- Legal research and analysis
- Settlement negotiations

Professional Experience

Staff Attorney

McGill Law Firm, Chicago, IL | September 2014 to present

- Meet with potential clients and review their medical documentation to determine if claims have merit
- Investigate whether medical professionals breached standards of care
- Prepare for trials by filing motions and writing legal briefs in support of each client's case
- Source expert medical witnesses to testify on behalf of clients
- Ensure all documents are filed well in advance of state statutes of limitations
- Negotiate settlement offers with defendants, ensuring final amounts are adequate to replace clients' lost income or cover ongoing medical needs

Staff Attorney

Pavia & Marko, Attorneys at Law, Chicago, IL | January 2011 to September 2014

- Helped partners prepare for trial by sourcing expert witnesses, meeting with clients, performing legal research, and drafting relevant correspondence
- Negotiated with defendants, under supervision of lead attorney on each case
- Prepared for depositions by drafting interrogatories and preparing clients to answer questions from opposing counsel