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Cheerleading Expert



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EXPERT — *A person who has a comprehensive and authoritative knowledge of or skill in a particular area.*

Ryan P. Kline serves as an Expert Witness, assisting counsel in all aspects of cheerleading and consults on issues of safety, rules and regulations, competitions, and accident/injury analysis and re-creation. As an Expert Witness, Ryan brings 10+ years of experience in cheerleading with expertise in coaching, instruction, safety, and standards of care.

Ryan has gained his expertise by coaching at both the High School and Collegiate level of the sport of cheerleading. Safety is one of Ryan's most important values. He practices that on a daily basis by ensuring the safety of his cheerleading athletes at practices and events, and also enforces both local and national rules and guidelines.

CHEERLEADING COACHING EXPERIENCE

MACLAY SCHOOL

Varsity Cheerleading Coach / 2022 - 2023

- Responsible for managing the entire program and assistant coaches, including the middle school coaches
- Responsible for practice and game management for the varsity cheerleaders
- Responsible for managing the entire cheerleading budget within the school
- USA Cheer/AACCA Safety Certified, CPR/AED Certified, CrossFit Level 1 Trainer

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

Cheerleading Coach / 2014 - 2022

- Responsible for creating a safe environment to allow for self-growth and development of cheerleaders
- Responsible for practice and game management for up to 50 athletes
- USA Cheer/AACCA Safety Certified, CPR/AED Certified, CrossFit Level 1 Trainer

LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL

Varsity Cheerleading Coach / 2011 - 2013

- Responsible for managing the entire program and assistant coaches, including the junior varsity coach
- Responsible for practice and game management for the varsity cheerleaders
- Responsible for managing the entire cheerleading budget within the school
- AACCA Safety Certified

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

SPORTS LITIGATION CONSULTING

Founder & CEO / 2024 -

- Served as an Expert Witness on multiple cheerleading injury cases
- Curated a group of Expert Witnesses and Consultants to assist with litigation around sports injuries, safety, and proper protocols being followed as required by each discipline
- Provided oversight and guidance on report writing and analyses

WPTALLAHASSEE & TALLAHASSEE WEB DESIGN

Co-Founder, Lead Designer & Developer / 2019 -

- Brought original 15 clients in from my personal dealings, and continued to grow the company to 50+ clients to date
- Handled all aspects of the business including meeting with clients to discuss their projects, designing mock-ups, deploying live websites, and invoicing
- Increased brand awareness with digital and physical marketing as well as relationships through local networking

AVISIAN

Polymath / 2006 -

- Began as part-time internship employee have become longest tenured employee
- Worked with local printer to design and layout over 6,500+ pages of magazines
- Attended industry conferences to record video and audio of presentations and then edited for digital consumption
- 2014 Silver ADDY award winner for poster: The Contactless Conundrum

THOMAS, DURAN & ASSOCIATES

Intern / 2005 - 2006

EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ADVERTISING

Florida State University / Cum Laude / 2008

Represented University as a cheerleader

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PREVIOUS CASES

CASE NO 19-CA 649

- I assisted and advised the lawyers representing Jackson County School Board. Beyond the traditional review of depositions and video evidence, in this case, I also was able to provide demonstrations of different techniques and safety guidelines visually through my connections to current cheerleaders. This was extremely helpful for comparing “what happened” with “what was supposed to happen” and allowed the legal team to “recreate” or manipulate an accident (applying “what if?” scenarios to real life).

CASE NO CA19 - 365

- I assisted and advised the lawyers representing St. Johns County School Board. I reviewed depositions, exhibits, videos, and helped the legal team understand the intricacies of determining when a skill was ready to be performed or not. I also was able to provide valuable feedback on the plaintiff’s expert witness lack of understanding the nuanced differences between scholastic cheerleading and competitive cheerleading.

CASE NO 2277CV00361C

- In this open case I am working with the plaintiff to identify missteps by the school, coaches, and possibly the NFHS in not following appropriate rules and procedures which lead to the paralyzation of the plaintiff. I was retained at the beginning of the lawsuit to assist with strategy creation and have reviewed video evidence of the incident and reviewed all depositions. I am currently working on my report.

CASE NO A-21-845715-C

- In this open case I am working with the defendant to identify and point out missteps and possible areas that the defendant, a coach, may or may not have made during an alleged injury that occurred while the coach was working with the plaintiff. I have reviewed depositions and also the plaintiff’s expert witness report which I provided counter arguments for the defense to consider. The defense team is currently evaluating whether to settle or proceed to trial with the case.

CASE NO TBD (QUESENBERRY V. RCBOE)

- I was retained by the defendant in January 2024 in order to provide advice on the appropriate actions taken before and after an injury occurred to a minor during a cheerleading practice. I am currently waiting to receive the plaintiff’s complaint and any depositions related to the case.

YOUR CASE IS NEXT!