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PRACTICE AREAS

- Alternative Dispute Resolution, Mediation & Arbitration
- Commercial & Business Litigation
- Intellectual Property, Information Technology & Media Law
- Labor & Employment Law
- White Collar & Government Investigations

Nicole D. Blanchard focuses her legal practice on commercial and business litigation, civil rights, labor and employment law, and arbitration. She brings an athlete's mentality to the practice of law – she's always up for a challenge, enjoys collaborating as a team, and constantly looks for ways to improve to better serve our clients.

Ms. Blanchard is a native of Michigan who adopted Tennessee as her home when she went to Lee University in East Tennessee, where she graduated cum laude in 2018. She went on to the Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law at the University of Memphis, where she was active in the Moot Court program, served as Articles Editor of the Law Review, and won several Dean's Awards for Excellence before graduating magna cum laude in 2022. Ms. Blanchard was a summer intern at BPJ in 2020 and 2021, and served pro bono in the Eviction Settlement program for tenants facing eviction due to COVID-19-related hardships in 2020.

Outside of work, Ms. Blanchard is a competitive powerlifter and enjoys walking her dog, traveling, gardening and cheering for the Grizzlies.

EDUCATION

Lee University (B.S. in Biological Science, 2018) cum laude

- Lee University Women's Soccer Team
- Microbiology Teaching Assistant

University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law (J.D. 2022) magna cum laude

PROFESSIONAL HONORS AND ACTIVITIES

- Andrew McClurg Best Note Runner-Up Award 2021-2022
- Summer Associate, Burch, Porter & Johnson, 2020, 2021
- Summer Associate, Martin, Tate, Morrow & Marston, May 2021 – June 2021
- Legal Assistant, Claiborne Ferguson Law Firm, September 2018 – June 2020
- Pro Bono Student, Eviction Settlement Program, August 2020. Assisted assigned volunteer attorney with cases involving negotiating rent arrearage settlements on behalf of tenants facing eviction due to Covid-19 related hardships using CARES Act funds. Recognized as a distinguished law student volunteer.
- Articles Editor, Volume 52, The University of Memphis Law Review
- Executive Director, Student Bar Association 2021–2022



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- 2021-2022 Moot Court Board, Advanced Committee Member
- Research Assistant to Professor Barbara Kritchevsky
- Staff, Volume 51, The University of Memphis Law Review
- 2020 National Moot Court Team
- 2020 First Year In-School Moot Court Competition: Runner-Up
- 2020 Robert L. J. Spence, Jr. Moot Court Award
- Dean's Award for Excellence: Best Memo Award for Legal Methods I, Best Brief Award for Legal Methods II, Dean's Award for Excellence: Best Oral Advocate, 1L Moot Court Competition
- 9 CALI Awards (highest grade): Civil Procedure I, Legal Methods I, Property I, Legal Methods II, Torts II, Criminal Law, Sales, Professional Responsibility, Labor Law
- Memphis Access and Diversity Scholarship Recipient
- U.S. Customs House Scholarship Recipient

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS OF NOTE

- Author, Note, From Stigma to Treatment: The HIV/AIDS Epidemic and the Opioid Epidemic, 52 U. Mem. L. Rev. 247 (2021).
- Research Assistant, Welcoming Lakeesha and Vincenzo to the Restatement of Torts, 100 Neb. L. Rev. 637 (2022) by Barbara Kritchevsky

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

Tennessee, 2022

United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee, 2023

BAR ASSOCIATIONS

Memphis Bar Association

Tennessee Bar Association

American Bar Association

Federal Bar Association