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BAR ADMISSIONS

State Admissions

Pennsylvania Supreme Court – October 13, 2009
Maryland Court of Appeals – June 12, 2017

Federal Admissions

U.S. Supreme Court – January 22, 2013
U.S. Court of Appeals for the 3rd Circuit – April 11, 2012
U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit – July 17, 2017
U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania – March 19, 2010
U.S. District Court, District of Colorado – June 16, 2011
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania – February 10, 2012
U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania – December 20, 2012

EDUCATION

McGill University, Montreal, Canada

- **Double Major in Political Science and World Religions**
- **Graduated Cum Laude**

Widener University of Law, Harrisburg, PA

2006 - 2009

- **Top 10% of class**
- **Member of the Widener Law Journal**
- **Graduated Cum Laude**

EMPLOYMENT

Prince Law Offices, P.C., Bechtelsville, PA

2009 - present

- Handling legal matters, including, but not limited to:
 - Civil Rights deprivations at the state and federal level, including unlawful seizure, failure to provide procedural and substantive due process, and violations of equal rights;
 - Class Actions;
 - Mental Health Commitments under Pennsylvania's Mental Health and Procedures Act;

- Criminal Law;
- School Law, including requirements to provide students with due process and the appointment of school law enforcement officers; and,
- Estate Planning and Administration.

Civil Rights Defense Firm, P.C., Pottstown, PA

2016 - present

- Handling legal matters, including, but not limited to:
 - All firearms law and Second Amendment issues at the state and federal level;
 - Civil Rights deprivations at the state and federal level, including unlawful seizure, failure to provide procedural and substantive due process, and violations of equal rights; and,
 - Class Actions.

MAJOR CASES

- *Commonwealth v. Goslin*, 2017 PA Super 38 (*en banc*) – Establishing that an individual is entitled to the defense found within 18 Pa.C.S. § 912(c), if he/she is in lawful possession of a weapon on school grounds, provided that it is possessed for a lawful purpose.
- *Michael Keyes, et al., v. Loretta Lynch, et al.*, 1:15-cv-457 (Middle District of Pennsylvania, July 11, 2016) – Establishing a right to relief under a Second Amendment *as-applied* challenge to a single-isolated involuntary mental health commitment. The court held that 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(4)'s prohibition, in perpetuity, was unconstitutional as applied.
- *John Doe, et al. v. Franklin County, et al.*, 1634 C.D. 2015 (May 20, 2016) – Establishing that pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. § 6111(i) that all license to carry firearms applicant information is confidential and not subject to disclosure, including through the use of un-enveloped postcards.
- *Andrew Dissinger v. Manheim Township School District*, 72 A.3d 723 (Pa. Cmwlth. 2013) – Represented Mr. Dissinger in an action regarding violations of his due process rights, which the Commonwealth Court confirmed. Thereafter, represented Mr. Dissinger in a federal civil rights deprivation action, 5:14-cv-2741 in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, which resulted in a settlement.
- *Justin Dillon v. City of Erie*, 1038 C.D. 2013 (Pa. Cmwlth. 2013) – Establishing that state preemption precludes the City of Erie's ordinance criminalizing the possession of firearms in city parks.
- *John Doe, et al. v. City of Philadelphia, et al.*, Docket No. 121203785, (Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas, 2012)– Class action lawsuit

against the City of Philadelphia and several other defendants relating to their publication of statutorily confidential information, which resulted in a \$1.425 million dollar settlement.

- *Barbara Hench, et al., v. Perry County Sheriff Carl Nace*, Docket No. 2014-454 (Perry County Court of Common Pleas, 2014) – Successfully represented Sheriff Nace, *pro-bono*, in an action by the Perry County Auditors to force him to disclose statutorily confidential information.
- *Caba v. Weaknecht*, 64 A.3d 39 (Pa. Cmwlth. 2012) – Before the Commonwealth Court, successfully established both a liberty and property interest, for procedural due process purposes, in an issued license.

PUBLICATIONS

Law Journal Publications

- Joshua G. Prince and Allen Thompson, *The Inalienable Right to Stand Your Ground*, St. Thomas Law Journal, 27 St. Thomas. L. Rev. 32 (2015)
- Joshua G. Prince, *Fee Disputes in Workers' Compensation Cases: The Hendricks/Weidner Headache*, Widener Law Journal, Vol. 18, No. 2 (2009)
- Joshua G. Prince, *Violating Due Process: Convictions Based on the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record when its "Files are Missing"*, Article awaiting publication in a Law Journal, *available at* https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2752028

Legal Publications

- Joshua G. Prince, *Weapons on School Grounds: The En Banc Goslin Decision* (PA BAR ASSOC. AT ISSUE, Spring 2017) *available at* <http://www.pabar.org/public/yld/pubs/atissue/At%20Issue%20Spring2017.pdf>.
- Joshua G. Prince, *Grandpop's Machine Gun in the Chest: Part II of II* (PA BAR ASSOC. AT ISSUE, Spring 2013) *available at* <http://www.pabar.org/public/yld/pubs/atissue/AtIssueSpring13.pdf>.
- Joshua G. Prince, *Grandpop's Machine Gun in the Chest: Part I of II* (PA BAR ASSOC. AT ISSUE, Fall 2012) *available at* <http://www.pabar.org/public/yld/pubs/atissue/AtIssue%20Fall%202012.pdf>.

- Joshua G. Prince, *Firearms Law 101: Knowing When Your Client Loses His/Her Second Amendment Rights*, (PA BAR ASSOC. AT ISSUE, Spring 2012) available at <http://www.pabar.org/public/yld/pubs/atissue/AISpring2012.pdf>.
- Joshua G. Prince, *I Bequeath My Machine Gun to...* (PA BAR ASSOC. NEWSLETTER, REAL PROPERTY, PROBATE AND TRUST LAW, Issue No. 64), Fall 2007 at 18-19.

LEGAL SEMINARS TAUGHT

- **Gun Law: Advanced Issues** – National Business Institute (NBI) – January 31, 2017
- **My Estate Has Firearms, Now What?** – 15th Annual Estate & Elder Law Symposium, PBI – Feb 12, 2014 and Feb. 20, 2014 and 20th Annual Estate Law Conference, PBI – November 14, 2013
- **Firearms and Real Estate in Estates** – Estate Planning Council of Lehigh Valley – February 13, 2013
- **2012 Firearms Law & The Second Amendment Symposium** – View from the Street: Firearms Law in Pennsylvania and New Jersey – NRA – October 13, 2012
- **Firearms Law for Every Practitioner** – Berks Bar Assoc. – July 11, 2012
- **When the Primer Ignites No More** – 18th Annual Estate Law Conference, PBI – November 18, 2011
- **Pennsylvania Gun Crimes and Sentencing** – Montgomery Bar Assoc. – Sept. 9, 2011
- **Firearms & Estates** – PBI – Apr. 7, 2011
- **Firearms Law 101 – What Every Practitioner Need to Know about Firearms Law** – Berks Bar Assoc. – Aug. 18, 2011
- **Firearms in Estates and Trusts** – Berks, Cumberland, and Dauphin Bar Assoc. 2008-2009.