

# Nicholas Morello

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## Work Experience

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**Michel & Associates, P.C.**, Long Beach, CA (Remote)

*General Litigation Associate Attorney* (November 2025 – Present)

- Attend and write summaries of municipality meetings and government policy presentations. Correspond with officials and community members regarding policy decisions.
- Draft discovery responses, motions, demurrers and other legal filings.
- Evaluate medical records to determine and plan litigation strategy for personal injury claims.
- Litigate in court for hearings ranging from case management conferences to order to show hearings.

**Moore Law Group**, Santa Ana, CA (Remote)

*Associate Attorney III* (Mar. 2022 – Sep. 2025)

- Provide leadership and guidance for multiple attorneys and paralegals in the collection of debts and vehicle replevins in compliance with the FDCPA, FCRA, and SCRA. Volunteer as lead for numerous pretrial discovery and negotiation assignments. Took on planning and leadership required for the role.
- Train newly hired attorneys. Created and implemented revised pretrial answer review process designed to better detect and eliminate errors.
- Negotiate terms and conditions for several thousand debt settlement contracts. Routinely perform pre-trial tasks including review and approval of demand letters, and drafting of discovery requests and responses.
- Litigated in court for over four hundred court hearings, including trials, case management conferences, and order to show cause hearings. Following attainment of judgment, review and approve post-judgment enforcement documents including writs, wage garnishments, and bank levies.

**Slania Law, PLLC**, Tucson, AZ

*Law Clerk* (Mar. 2021 – Feb. 2022)

- Reviewed construction project documents around Arizona and ensured compliance with state regulatory requirements.
- Assisted attorneys with multi-million dollar bond issuances, underwritings, bond recalls, and mortgage credit certificates. Contacted local government representatives to discuss details for the implementation of tax credit programs.
- Negotiated with the IRS on behalf of clients. Researched relevant tax law cases and latest IRS publications to argue clients' position and resolve tax disputes.
- Assisted clients with Securities and Exchange Commission corporate filings including Forms 8-K, 10-Q, and 10-K, and proxy statements. Drafted documents on behalf of clients including board resolutions, secretary certificates, stock issuance letters, and powers of attorney, which were filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission.
- Assisted clients with management of financial assets and wealth, dividends on common and preferred stock, and risk mitigation.
- Collaborated with attorneys to draft wills, trust documents, and probate filings.

**Burch & Cracchiolo, P.A.**, Phoenix, AZ

*Summer Associate Attorney* (May – Aug. 2019)

- Provided regulatory guidance for residential and commercial developers in construction projects in Arizona, Nevada, and New Mexico.
- Drafted purchase agreements, multiple types of contracts, copyright transfers, and pretrial motions.
- Assisted attorneys with legal research for taxation, bankruptcy, and corporate law issues.
- Assisted firm partner with researching and writing legal article “*2019 Real Estate Drafting Guidance*”.

**Applied Portfolio Management Academic Course**, Tucson, AZ

*Graduate Student Supervisor* (Aug. 2017 – May 2018)

- Led a team of five undergraduate students to manage a securities portfolio worth \$1.6 million in private investor funds. Purchased stocks and bonds listed on the New York Stock Exchange, NASDAQ, S&P 500, and Russell 2000. Provided successful stock investment advice that resulted in a profit for my group’s assigned market sectors.
- Met and presented before portfolio investors regarding portfolio purchases and sales, financial forecasts, and proposed actions.
- Researched proposed actions for portfolio securities to determine how to cast its shareholder vote for selected companies.

**Education**

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**University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law**, Tucson, AZ

*Juris Doctor*, May 2020

- Journal: Arizona Journal of International & Comparative Law (*Business Editor*)
- Activities: Samuel M. Fegtly Moot Court Competition, Student Bar Association (*3L Representative*), Sports & Entertainment Law Society (*Treasurer*), Intellectual Property & Entrepreneurship Clinic
- Certificates: Transactional Business Law JD Certificate; Business Litigation JD Certificate

**University of Arizona Eller College of Management**, Tucson, AZ

*Master of Science in Finance*, May 2020

**Arizona State University**, Tempe, AZ

*Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice*, December 2015

- Honors: Magna Cum Laude