

SHALEEN TITLE

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WORK EXPERIENCE

THC STAFFING GROUP, Boston, MA

Partner, 2015 – Present

- Co-founded a boutique women-owned firm recruiting exclusively for the cannabis industry
- Utilized legal, policy, and social justice expertise to advocate for more inclusive and equitable cannabis programs nationwide
- Recruited top candidates across cannabis industry nationwide
- Designed and executed Boston Cannabis Career Fair

4FRONT ADVISORS, Boston, MA

Regulatory & Compliance Specialist, 2014 –2017

- Successfully supported prospective dispensary and cultivation businesses through state-managed competitive application processes in numerous states, including writing winning diversity plans
- Served as subject matter expert consulting on complex cannabis laws and regulations across seven states (Arizona, California, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, Nevada and Pennsylvania)
- Worked with team to ensure clients were continuously compliant with local and state regulations

MINORITY CANNABIS BUSINESS ASSOCIATION, Boston, MA

Founding Board Member, 2015 – Present; Policy Committee Co-Chair, 2015 – 2016

- Helped start the nation's first trade association with a mission of equal access and economic empowerment for cannabis businesses, their patients, and the communities most affected by the war on drugs
- Led the creation of the MCBA Model Bill and its use as part of the drafting process in multiple state legislatures

FREELANCE WRITER AND SPEAKER, Boston, MA

Freelance Writer and Speaker, 2013 – Present

- Wrote articles analyzing cannabis policy for Huffington Post, Leafly, The Influence, Ladybud, and other outlets
- Quoted for cannabis expertise in publications worldwide including the Boston Globe, Boston Herald, Boston Business Journal, DigBoston, Vice, NPR, Al Jazeera, Newsweek, and Denver Post
- Consultant for the book [How to Regulate Cannabis: A Practical Guide](#) by Transform Drug Policy Foundation

VICENTE SEDERBERG, LLC, Boston, MA

Attorney and Director of Massachusetts Practice, 2012 –2013

- Established and directed state office of a leading national cannabis business law firm
- Assisted with corporate formation, local government permits, business contracts, and state license applications
- Led social media and educational seminars

CAMPAIGN TO REGULATE MARIJUANA LIKE ALCOHOL, Denver, CO

Political Campaign Consultant, 2012

- Served as a strategist and spokesperson for the first campaign in the U.S that legalized cannabis
- Led the creation of professional coalitions including academic endorsements by professors and law enforcement endorsements by police, prosecutors and judges

LAW ENFORCEMENT AGAINST PROHIBITION, Boston, MA

Speakers Bureau Director, 2009 – 2012

- Managed global network of current and former law enforcement advocating to end the war on drugs
- Developed and implemented training program for substantive drug policy issues
- Wrote testimony to support reform bills in several states

DELOITTE TAX, Boston, MA

Multistate Tax Law Consultant, 2008 – 2009

- Served as a tax professional on team of lawyers and accountants for world's largest professional services network
- Conducted tax law research for complex multistate clients
- Analyzed and identified tax opportunities and assisted in preparing tax compliance

EDUCATION

University of Illinois College of Law | Urbana-Champaign, IL

Juris Doctor | 2008 | GPA 3.09/4.00

University of Illinois College of Business | Urbana-Champaign, IL

Master of Accounting Science | 2005 | GPA 3.75/4.00

Bachelor of Science in Accountancy | 2004 | GPA 3.40/4.00

Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy | Aurora, IL

Internationally recognized competitive school for student gifted in mathematics and science

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Panelist at United Nations Power of Collaboration Global Summit | 2017
- Roxbury Epicenter Community Woman Crush Wednesday | 2017
- Students for Sensible Drug Policy Outstanding Alumnus in Service of Drug Policy Reform | 2016
- Hunter S. Thompson Attorney Award | 2010
- High Times Freedom Fighter | 2010
- University of Illinois College of Law and College of Business Scholarship Recipient | 2005-2008

LICENSURE

Licensed to practice law in Massachusetts since 2008