# WILLIAM BOGOT

ATTORNEY AT LAW

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

## ILLINOIS GAMING BOARD, Chicago, Illinois

Legal Counsel, 2006 – present

Acting General Counsel, May – October 2011

Serve as legal adviser to the Illinois Gaming Board in the regulation of Illinois riverboat casinos and video gaming operations. Duties include, among other things:

- Advise the agency administrator and members of the board regarding the Riverboat Gambling Act, Video Gaming Act, and adopted regulations
- Draft administrative regulations, interpretative bulletins, standardized minimum internal controls, and gaming device technical standards
- Work with the Illinois State Police and county state's attorneys in directing law enforcement investigations and prosecutions
- Prosecute administrative hearings pertaining to civil violations of Illinois gambling laws and adopted regulations
- · Work with the Illinois Attorney General's Office in defending outside litigation and administrative review complaints
- Developed Statewide training program for the identification and seizure of illegal gaming devices
- Coordinate the review, approval and testing of all casino management system upgrades and installations
- Prepare written materials for Board consideration at monthly meetings
- Advise the Governor's Office and legislative leaders regarding proposed state and federal gaming bills
- Draft all applications and related forms for licensure
- Work with casino owners, video gaming terminal operators, gaming device manufacturers, gaming equipment suppliers and others to ensure compliance with all gambling laws and procedures

## STEIN BOGOT, LTD., Chicago, Illinois

Partner, 2002 - 2005

Litigated multi-state and single-state class actions in state and federal trial and appellate courts. Representation included both corporate and individual clients in a wide variety of substantive areas including, among others, consumer fraud and unfair competition claims under state Baby FTC Acts, food disclosure law, complex labor and employment law, and insurance coverage declaratory judgments. Notable cases include:

- *Pennington v. The Coca-Cola Company* (Cir. Ct. Jackson Cty., Mo.) (co-lead class counsel in certified class action challenging Coca-Cola's failure to disclose the use of saccharin in fountain Diet Coke)
- Schlesinger v. Ticketmaster (L.A. Cty. Ct., CA.) (co-lead counsel in putative class action challenging defendant's misrepresentation of UPS delivery fees and order processing charges)
- Travel 100 Group, Inc. v. Empire Cooler Service, Inc. (Cir. Ct. Cook Cty., Ill.) (co-lead class counsel in certified class action brought on behalf of thousands of recipients of advertising faxes transmitted in violation of federal law)
- Wisniewski v. Rodale, Inc. (E.D. PA.) (co-lead class counsel in certified class action challenging publisher's illegal enrollment of consumers in negative option book clubs in violation of the Postal Reorganization Act)
- Neighborhood Clinics, LLC v. Pathology CHP S.C., et al. (Cir. Ct. Cook Cty., Ill) (co-lead counsel in putative class action against pathologists for falsely charging medical service providers entered into capitation agreements for professional services in the performance of laboratory pathology tests)

# KRISLOV & ASSOCIATES, LTD., Chicago, Illinois

Associate Attorney, 1996 – 2002

Litigated diverse nationwide class actions and other complex litigation on behalf of plaintiffs and class settlement objectors in state and federal courts at the trial and appellate levels. Concentrated in consumer fraud under Baby FTC Acts, product safety and public health law, securities fraud, civil rights, antitrust, and corporate derivative suits. Notable cases include:

- In re StarLink Corn Products Liability Litigation (N.D. Ill.) (plaintiffs' counsel in class action settlement of \$9 million for damages from the sale of food products containing genetically engineered corn not approved for human consumption by the EPA and FDA)
- Burke v. Lumpkin, et al. (N.D. Ill.) (plaintiff's counsel in class action settlement of § 1983 action challenging the constitutionality of state restrictions on labeling of dairy products free from artificial growth hormones)
- *In re Sumitomo Bank of California Class Litigation*, No. 994002 (Sup. Ct. Ca., S.F. County) (co-lead counsel in derivative action settlement for \$5 million on behalf of 1500 shareholders challenging unfair merger proposal)

- In re Mercury Finance Company (N.D. Ill.) (counsel for State Class Claimants participating in bankruptcy securities fraud class action settlement for \$30 million on behalf of shareholders seeking damages from company's artificially inflated financial statements)
- Begley v. Acer America Corp. (Cir. Ct. Cook Cty., Ill.) (plaintiff's counsel in class action settlement against computer manufacturer that failed to disclose its "new" computers contained refurbished parts)
- O'Sullivan v. BMG Music, et al. (N.D. Ill.) (plaintiff's counsel in class action alleging that the major record labels fixed the price of prerecorded compact discs in violation of antitrust laws)

## ILLINOIS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Springfield, Illinois

Assistant General Counsel, 1996

Analyzed and drafted proposed legislation, tracked bills through committees and hearings, communicated with stakeholders, and advised House members on legal and policy issues during the 89<sup>th</sup> Session of the Illinois General Assembly.

## CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, Chicago, Illinois

Judicial Law Clerk for Chancery Judge Aaron Jaffe, 1994 – 1995

Analyzed cases, recommended case dispositions, researched and drafted opinions and orders, and managed administration of cases submitted to the court. Drafted opinions and advised the court concerning class actions, declaratory judgments, equitable remedies, administrative reviews, and causes of action under the Illinois Business Corporation and Partnership Acts.

#### **EDUCATION**

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, Chicago, Illinois

Master of Public Health, Health Policy and Administration, 2006 (3.9/4.0 GPA)

IIT CHICAGO-KENT COLLEGE OF LAW, Chicago, Illinois

Juris Doctor with Honors, 1994 (3.57/4.0 GPA)

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Santa Cruz, California

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, 1990 (the school does not have grades)

## **APPOINTMENTS**

## CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION, Highland Park, Illinois

Chairman, 2011 – present

Appointed by the mayor and city council to preserve, enhance and manage the City's environment and natural resources; and provide regulatory advice to the council regarding variance requests and other issues involving the city's ravine and bluff system.

#### CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION, Highland Park, Illinois

Chairman, 2008 – 2010

Commissioner, 2006 - 2008

Appointed by the mayor and city council to advise the council on policy and legislative issues regarding the health and natural environment of the community; review and update environmental ordinances; and create an interest and awareness of the problems of land, water and air pollution among the citizens of Highland Park.

## PARK DISTRICT OF HIGHLAND PARK, PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE, Highland Park, Illinois

Member, 2011 – present

Appointed by the Director and Board of Commissioners to advise the Board on matters concerning the operation and maintenance of the District's athletic fields and natural areas, with an emphasis on the health and safety of the community.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

StarLink Corn: Lessons In Liability, in STARLINK: LESSONS LEARNED, FCN Publishing (2001)

#### BAR ADMISSIONS AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Illinois Supreme Court
Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals
Third Circuit Court of Appeals
United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois
United States District Court, Central District of Illinois
International Association of Gaming Regulators
American Bar Association