

## CURRICULUM VITAE

**NAME:** DANYEL THOMSON  
**POSITION:** Legal Adviser  
**LOCATION:** Vientiane, Lao PDR  
**EXPERIENCE:** 5 years  
**NATIONALITY:** USA

### MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:

North Carolina Bar  
New Jersey Bar

### KEY QUALIFICATIONS:

Danyel Manley joined Mekong Law Group in September 2007 after practicing as a litigation attorney in the United States, most recently with Riker Danzig Scherer Hyland Perretti. Danyel holds a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from the University of North Carolina School of Law. She is a member of the North Carolina and New Jersey State Bars.

### EDUCATION:

- 2002 - Juris Doctor, University of North Carolina School of Law, Chapel Hill, NC.
- 1999 - Bachelor of Arts in English, *Summa Cum Laude*, North Carolina Wesleyan College, Rocky Mount, NC.

### EMPLOYMENT RECORD:

- **Mekong Law Group, Vientiane Office, Lao PDR** (Sept. 2007 to present)  
*Legal Advisor*
- **Riker Danzig Scherer Hyland Perretti LLP, Morristown, NJ** (2005 – 2007)  
*Associate Attorney*  
Litigation attorney. Researched and wrote trial and appellate briefs and memos. Prepared pleadings, motions, and discovery for court proceedings. Assisted in preparation of trials, hearings, and settlement conferences. Negotiated settlements and wrote settlement agreements. Appeared in court for Case Management Conferences and Early Settlement Panels. Prepared deposition and trial examination outlines. Examined witnesses at trial. Met with clients for initial consults, court filings, and settlement sessions. Conducted informational seminars for client development.
- **Laufer, Knapp, Torzewski & Dalena, LLC, Morristown, NJ** (2004 – 2005)  
*Associate Attorney*  
Litigation attorney. Researched and wrote trial and appellate briefs, memos, and settlement agreements. Prepared pleadings and other legal documents for court

proceedings. Prepared and argued motions in court. Assisted in preparation of trials and settlement negotiations.

- **Morris County Superior Court, Morristown, NJ** (2003 – 2004)  
*Law Clerk – Judge Barbara Zucker-Zarett, Presiding Judge, Family Division*  
Conducted legal research and wrote memoranda for Judge. Edited motions, oppositions, and replies to ensure compliance with court rules. Served as mediator for landlord/tenant mediations.
- **North Carolina Court of Appeals, Raleigh, NC** (2002 – 2003)  
*Law Clerk – Judge Hugh Campbell, Jr., Judge Martha A. Geer*  
Conducted legal research of case law, legal motions, and appellate briefs. Drafted and published appellate opinions. Prepared Judges for oral arguments. Edited opinions written by Court of Appeals Staff Attorneys.

#### ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- **Trial Court Administrator’s Office, Charlotte, NC** (Summer 2001)  
*Summer Intern – legal research and writing*
- **Family Court Administrator’s Office, Charlotte, NC** (Summer 2000)  
*Summer Intern – legal research, writing, and editing*

#### LANGUAGES:

	Speaking	Reading	Writing
<i>English</i>	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent

#### CONTACT DETAILS:

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