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EDUCATION & LICENSURE

- B.A., 2010, University of Illinois at Chicago
- J.D., 2014, DePaul University College of Law
- Licensed to practice in Illinois
- Licensed to practice in Wisconsin
- Licensed to practice in the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois



JOSEPH-JOHN GEORGE HOMSY is an associate at Arnett Law Group. Prior to joining the firm, he has represented his clients in various litigation specialties, including insurance defense, premises liability, fire loss litigation, and product liability cases.

Mr. Homsy graduated from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 2010, with a degree in English. He received his law degree in 2014, from DePaul University College of Law. His bar admissions currently include the Supreme Courts of Illinois and Wisconsin and the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. While in law school, Joe served as a judicial extern for the Honorable Kathleen Kennedy. He received the DePaul University College of Law Senior Service Award and Chancellor's Award for Public Service. While at DePaul Law, he was a co-editor of the school paper, the *Cause of Action*, and served as the Chair of the Dean's Advisory Council of DePaul Law's Student Bar Association in order to improve the experience of DePaul Law's student body.

As a member of the Arab-American Bar Association, Mr. Homsy is currently involved with the Community Service Community and the Judicial Evaluation Committee. Mr. Homsy focuses his efforts on paying it forward in the community by mentoring high-schoolers, college students, law students, and new associates. He founded a mentorship program that matched high school students with interest in various industries with young professionals that worked in those industries. Mr. Homsy has created and developed a strong legal network and lasting friendships through his involvement in various bar associations, communities, and networking organizations. Joe's interests include spending time with his family, photography, history and America's pastime, baseball.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Claims and Litigation Management Alliance
 - Product Liability Committee
- Arab-American Bar Association
 - Community Service Committee
 - Judicial Evaluation Committee
- Chicago Bar Association
- DuPage County Bar Association
- Illinois State Bar Association

PRACTICE AREAS

- Product Liability
- Premises Liability
- Insurance Defense
- Fire Loss Litigation
- Transportation Defense Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Civil Defense Litigation

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Mentoring

- I'm always having conversations with my younger, first cousins about their goals and what they want to accomplish. Being a first generation Arab-American, I find that learning from my experiences has helped them.
- Through DePaul Law I worked with students planning to take the bar exam to help them manage their stress and anxiety. I acted as a sounding board for their concerns and questions, while also using the schedule and materials I used to pass the bar to help them as well.
- Prior to working at Arnett Law Group, while at my previous job, I was asked to mentor three new associate attorneys, which was a responsibility I initially did not embrace. However, over time, I used that opportunity to reaffirm what I had learned, to assist the new attorneys and educate myself in different legal areas.
- Through my church, I worked with our teenagers by acting as one of six advisors to our Teen SOYO (Society of Orthodox Youth Organizations), which involved acting as a mentor on monthly social, humanitarian, and spiritual events. I also was the high school "teacher" for the high school class associated with the Sunday School program. When I took it over, it was more of a "what did we learn today from the Bible?" However, I turned it into a more discussion-based class, asking them about their lives, how they handle the day to day pressures of being first or second generation Arab-Americans, and asking for their opinions on world issues and topics. My goal with the class was to get them to think analytically about issues facing them on a day-to-day basis in order to prepare them for college.