

David Zask

Law Clerk, Admission Pending

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Mr. Zask's practice focuses on intellectual property and technology-related litigation.

During law school, Mr. Zask served as a full-time student law clerk for Judge Loretta A. Preska of SDNY and worked on several published opinions. He also worked as a clinical intern for Cardozo's Filmmaker's Legal Clinic, where he represented small filmmakers on issues such as copyright licensing, fair use, and entity formation. Mr. Zask honed his advocacy skills by participating in the Intensive Trial Advocacy Program at Cardozo and winning the William C. Conner Inn of Court mock closing arguments special program for high school jurors. Additionally, he worked as a Research Assistant to Professor Michael Burstein, focusing on the definition of inventorship in patent law.

Prior to law school, Mr. Zask worked as a Data Scientist for Horizon Media where he built and scaled AI solutions and infrastructure. There he helped launch an internal AI product for automated marketing segmentation. He is proficient in Python, R, SQL, and PySpark.

Prior Experience

- Summer Associate, Desmarais LLP, New York, NY, 2025
- Intern, Filmmakers Legal Clinic, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, New York, NY, 2025
- Intern, NYC Office of Information Privacy, New York, NY, 2024
- Research Assistant, Professors Michael J. Burstein & Anthony Sebok, New York, New York, 2024
- Data Scientist, Horizon Media, New York, NY, 2020-2023

Clerk & Government Experience

- Full-time Student Law Clerk for the Hon. Loretta A. Preska, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, Alexander Fellows Program, 2025

Memberships and Affiliations

EDUCATION

Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2026; Associate Editor (Vol. 44) and Staff Editor (Vol. 43), *Cardozo Arts & Entertainment Law Journal*; Dean's Merit Scholarship; *Teaching Assistant*, Torts, Civil Procedure, & Corporations; Class Prize in Torts; IT/Software Co-Chair, Intellectual Property Law Society; Co-Chair, Law and Data Science Society.

University of Chicago, B.A., Philosophy, 2018; University Scholar Merit Scholarship

ADMISSIONS

New York, Pending

- The Hon. William C. Conner Inn of Court SDNY

Other Distinctions

- Winner, Mock Closing Arguments for the Hon. William C. Conner Inn of Court SDNY, American Inns of Court Best Special Project for 2026
- Class Prize in Torts (Fall 2023)