



Alissa D. Hascup counsel

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Alissa D. Hascup is Counsel in the firm's Criminal Practice Group. She represents adult and juvenile clients who have been charged with criminal offenses throughout New Jersey, offering zealous advocacy to protect their rights and striving to achieve a positive outcome based upon the facts and circumstances of each case. Alissa's trial experiences have led to her recognition by the New Jersey Supreme Court as a Certified Criminal Trial Attorney since 2024. Certified attorneys account for a small percentage of the attorneys in the state. In order to obtain the certification, a high level of experience, education, knowledge and skill in criminal law and procedure must be demonstrated, as well as recognition by their peers as having sufficient skills and reputation in the field of criminal law.

Alissa is a former Morris County Assistant Prosecutor and Municipal Prosecutor and has spent the last decade defending clients who have been charged with serious crimes including murder, kidnapping, robbery, burglary, sexual offenses, weapons offenses, drug offenses, crimes involving domestic violence, and DWI, and other serious motor vehicle offenses. She has amassed trial experience in Passaic County, Bergen County and Morris County courtrooms, among many others, and in Superior Courts and Municipal Courts across New Jersey. Alissa makes a point of helping her clients navigate and understand the often-complex criminal justice system.

Alissa began her legal career as an associate, working with two criminal defense firms in Monmouth County and Essex County prior to joining the Morris County Prosecutor's Office in 2009. She was initially assigned to serve as an Assistant Prosecutor in the Domestic Violence Unit, where she prosecuted domestic violence restraining order violations and related assault and harassment cases. She was quickly promoted to the Trial Unit, where she prosecuted defendants for crimes including

attempted murder, robbery, weapons offenses, drug offenses, endangering the welfare of children and aggravated sexual assault. Alissa also worked with the Major Crimes Unit, responding to crime scenes, assisting with witness and suspect interviews, and preparing search warrants.

Armed with her extensive prosecutorial experience, Alissa left the Morris County Prosecutor's Office and established her private criminal defense practice in New Jersey in 2013. While engaged in private practice, she served as the Montville Township Municipal Prosecutor and the Little Falls Township Public Defender.

Alissa has served as a Mock Trial coach, as well as a moderator and panelist for presentations hosted by the Criminal Law Section of the New Jersey State Bar Association and the New Jersey Criminal Law Institute.

Certifications

Certified by the Supreme Court of New Jersey, Criminal Trial Attorney, 2024

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Bar Admissions

- New Jersey
- New York
- U.S. District Court, Court of New Jersey

Education

- Hofstra University School of Law, J.D., 2004
- University of Richmond, B.A., 2001

Honors & Accolades

Alissa has been recognized by the following:

• Thomson Reuters, Super Lawyers®

New Jersey Super Lawyers: 2023-2024

New Jersey Rising Stars: 2010; 2016-2019

Professional Affiliations

- New Jersey State Bar Association, Criminal Law Section, Past Chair / Current Trustee
- New Jersey Supreme Court Domestic Violence Working Group, Past Member
- New York State Bar Association, Member
- American Bar Association, Member
- Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers of NJ, Member
- National Association of Women Lawyers

Experience

Public Appearances & Presentations

- Moderator, Stopping Gun Violence: The Political, Constitutional and Legal Implications, ICLE, 2016
- Speaker, Criminal Bench Bar Conference, NJSBA Criminal Law Section, 2014
- Speaker, Domestic Violence & The Law, ICLE, 2014
- Speaker, Criminal Bench Bar Conference, NJSBA Criminal Law Section, 2013
- Speaker, Criminal Law Institute, ICLE, 2013

Practice Areas

Criminal