



" I Love My Team! "

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We are thrilled to be able to introduce you to the attorneys at the D'Amato Law Firm on the opposite page. Thank you for indulging me with a more personal perspective of how our days are spent:

Lawyers

As you can see, my father, Paul R. D'Amato, and I are partners at the Firm. When he called and asked that I join the Firm, I was nervous that we would argue or he would be disappointed in me. Thankfully I can say that we complement each other in ways I only dreamed. He is an amazing mentor and it is truly a blessing that I get to learn from him AND give him a hug every day.

The love of Stephen M. Van Natten's life, Dr. Shellymarie Magan, lured him to the Jersey Shore and I have since gained a brother. He has a masterful way of sharing his ideas and insight with our team and clients. I am so thankful that he left Pennsylvania and the security of being one of the top Prosecutors in Leigh County and found a home here at the D'Amato Law Firm and a passion for helping those who are victims at the hand of negligence instead of violence.

When you hear someone say, "She has a good head on her shoulders," they're talking about Kasi Gifford. Kasi has a great mind for the law, and having had clerked with the Honorable James P. Savio, she certainly knows the Rules of Court and can easily analyze any fact pattern. Kasi fits in perfectly and I look forward to our many more years of sisterhood together here at the D'Amato Law Firm.

Other Members Of The Team

My mom and Paul's wife, Sandi D'Amato, is our office manager. She has been working at the Firm since I and my sisters, Ava Cocchi and Ashley Staller, were in school full time, over 30 years now. Her office is right next to mine so I get to hug her and hear her voice every day. I am seriously contemplating putting a window in our shared wall so that I can see her beautiful face at all times.

Paul's paralegal, Rose Scogno, started working with Paul when she was 19 years old. As the oldest of three daughters, I challenged my parents' rules and authority as a teenager, and Rose was there to assure my parents that if they let me live, I'd make a great adult. It is so amazing that I have had the opportunity to learn from her when I was working at the Law Firm as a teenager doing the filing, a college student answering the phones and doing dictation, a law student writing briefs, and then as a "baby attorney," as she used to call me, when I left Atlantic County Counsel and joined the Law Firm more than 15 years ago.

Rose's secretary, Shirley Martin, has been with our Firm since she "retired" 17 years ago. Shirley worked at the Playboy as a legal secretary and to this day she dresses "to the nines," wears high heels and is smart as a whip! She cracks me up with her honesty, and I love that while she's a grandmother, she has the spirit of a 30-year-old.

In life there are certain people you share everything with and say "you can't live without" them. At the office, Susan Eisenlohr is that person. Susan is so incredibly smart and remembers everything about our clients and their cases. We both have a child on the Autism Spectrum so we share many personal heartaches, accomplishments and aspirations. God truly blessed me and our clients when he brought Susan to the Firm.

Laura Pastore and Danielle Montonaro are our legal secretaries. Sandi and I had the pleasure of knowing them before they came to the Law Firm in their prior careers as nail technicians. When we had two openings in our office, it was a no-brainer to bring these incredibly talented, beautiful and passionate women to the Firm. It has been tremendous watching them grow and learn to love the law like we do.

Many people can say they like going to work. I LOVE MY TEAM and it is an honor to serve our clients with each and every one of them!

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