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I knew that I wanted to be a lawyer as early as eighth grade. I knew that lawyering was something that would allow me to help people. I knew that it would allow me to be involved in societal change. I felt that the law was a large part of how a democratic society remained healthy and successful.

I was actually a lawyer for the City of New York trying cases for the Corporation Counsel's Office of the City of New York out of law school. I had a chance to go from the Corporation Counsel to the U.S. Attorney's Office. So I had eight years of public service lawyering before I started Campbell, Patrick and Chin and then came to Fragomen in 1990.

I joined Fragomen thinking, "Well, if I'm not happy here I'll leave in a year or two and do something else." And 21 years later I'm having a great time and I enjoy what I'm doing. It's a law firm that just makes me feel very, very proud and excited to be calling myself a member of the Bar, and a member of such a prestigious immigration firm.