

# David Axel Kurtz

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## EDUCATION

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### University of Maine School of Law

*Juris Doctor in Business and Technology Law*

GPA: 3.381 (Cum Laude)

Portland, ME

Spring 2016

Bar passage: Maine (Summer 2016)

### Hampshire College

*Bachelor of Arts in Economics and Biology*

GPA: 4.0

Amherst, MA

Spring 2010

## EMPLOYMENT

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### Solo Practitioner

August 2016-Present

- Ad hoc practice while seeking full-time work in a firm or corporate setting.
- Structuring corporations; tax issues (individual and business); charitable giving and DAFs; transactional work; immigration law; some criminal defense and appellate advocacy.

### Student Attorney - Maine Attorney General (White Collar Division)

Fall 2015

- Built prosecutions, reviewed financial documents and discovery files, advised law enforcement, conducted trials and dispositional conferences, secured indictments before grand juries.
- Worked special projects in many practice areas. Significant legal research and writing.

### Student Attorney – Maine Refugee and Human Rights Clinic

Fall 2015

- Built asylum petitions from the ground up. Interviewed and counseled clients. Located and deposed international witnesses. Drafted narratives, witness statements, country condition reports, expert testimony, and legal memoranda. Argued for novel interpretations of asylum law.

### Research Assistant - Commander Kovit Talasophon (Royal Thai Navy)

Summer 2015

- Research, citations and editing for a comprehensive thesis on the law of submarine warfare.

### Legal Researcher - The Bicycle Coalition of Maine

Summer 2014

- Legal research to support a traffic safety law. Later joined the Coalition's board of directors.

### Business Consultant – David Kurtz Consulting, Inc.

2010-2013

- Focused on startups and startup-stage nonprofits. 90-hour weeks in a dynamic environment.
- Business planning, management consulting, public and media relations, event production, volunteer oversight and recruitment. Special focus on fundraising, grantwriting, and Kickstarter.

## LAW SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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- Submitted multiple articles to journals:

The Civil Forfeiture of Cryptocurrencies

The Regulatory Implications of Theorized Developments in Wireless Power Transfer Technology

Submarine Telecommunication Cables and *Casus Belli*

Case note on *Yates v. United States*, 574 U.S. \_\_\_\_ (2015).

- Appellate Advocacy seminar. Named best oralist, class of 2016.

## RELEVANT TRAINING

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LexisNexis, WestLaw, Bloomberg; Raiser's Edge and eTapestry; advanced skills with Office suite. Maine Bar #5805. Sitting for New York in February.