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Overview

Jonathan M. Priest received his B.A. degree in International Studies from Boston College. Following graduation, he moved to Chicago to complete a service-teaching program. He taught middle school students at an under-resourced Catholic school while completing his M.Ed. degree in Elementary Education from Loyola University Chicago. While at Loyola, he was admitted into Alpha Sigma Nu, the honor society for Jesuit universities. Following the completion of his service-teaching program, Jonathan continued as a middle school teacher and began attending DePaul University College of Law in its evening division.

In law school, Jonathan taught and was an elementary school assistant principal. Most recently, Jonathan completed his eighth year in education, and fourth year as an administrator, at a school administered by the Big Shoulders Fund. His efforts have been recognized with his receiving the Heart of the School Award in the Archdiocese of Chicago and his selection as an education reform fellow through the University of Notre Dame. Having helped a lead school through its response to COVID-19 during the 2019-20 and 2020-21 academic years, Jonathan transitioned to his current position and the full-time practice of law at Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins. Jonathan is admitted to practice in Illinois.

Professional Affiliations

- Jonathan is a member of the honor society Alpha Sigma Nu. He also has membership with the Illinois State Bar Association and the Chicago Bar Association.

Community Involvement

- Jonathan completed a service-teaching program at an under-resourced school in Chicago.

Awards and Recognition

- Heart of the School Award in the Archdiocese of Chicago