

The Extraordinary Pursuit of Justice

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As a lawyer, Corey Evan Parker doesn't struggle to put into words the mission of his practice. On the surface, he does what lawyers are expected to do: pursue justice for the client. But dig deeper, and you'll find Parker's idea of justice includes an extraordinary drive to right the wrongs of the legal system.

He's been recognized as a Rising Star by Super Lawyers, named among the Top 40 Under 40 by The National Trial Lawyers and has a perfect 10.0 AVVO rating, but you won't learn those details by talking to him. For Parker, all those accolades are just the clichéd icing on the cake. What really matters, he says, is that lives are being changed.

- *Civil Appeals*
- *Criminal Appeals*
- *Employment Appeals*
- *Family Law Appeals*

Scrutinizing His Way to Justice

As an appellate lawyer, there's nothing simple about what Parker does. Vastly different from the procedures and rules of the trial court, the appellate court only takes action on cases with proven "reversible errors" made during the trial process. Describing his role in the legal process as that of a Monday morning quarterback, Parker says reading through court transcripts requires methodical patience. "You're poring through documents, looking at every detail to see where things went wrong in the trial," he says. "It takes



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incredible time to strategize and think through, but the payoff is exceptionally rewarding if those efforts get someone out of prison who didn't belong there in the first place or reverse a wrongfully imposed civil judgment."

Parker handles a wide variety of appeals cases, ranging from appealing family law judgments to appealing murder convictions. He is currently appealing three murder convictions and is also advocating to reduce a client's life without parole sentence that was sustained when the client was a juvenile. Parker also recently petitioned the California Victim Compensation Board on behalf of a client who was released after being erroneously convicted of murder and incarcerated for over 11 years.

Only taking cases with credible chances in the appeals process, Parker goes to great lengths to alleviate his clients' anxieties. "This is such a stressful time for my clients," he says. "If they're wrongfully convicted or were deprived of a fair trial, every day spent in jail is a travesty, so it's important I remain available and transparent for them during this lengthy appeals process."

Such priorities mean he visits his incarcerated clients throughout Washington and California, listening firsthand to their stories and gathering critical information from them. "Sometimes, they have great insight regarding their case beyond what I can initially uncover in the court record," he says. "Just recently, I won a civil appeal, in part, as a result of listening to my client's perspective."

He gives clients his cell phone number, encouraging them to text if they have questions. He prepares timelines of key events to keep clients well informed, and he doesn't hire any associates, choosing instead to hand-select attorneys to partner with him as special cases arise. This ensures Parker remains the constant point of contact for his clients, a level of involvement that demands a limited case load in order to give each case the priority it deserves.

"I zealously advocate for each of my clients," he says. "Every person has a right to a fair trial, and fortunately, there is an appellate process for those who are denied that right."



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