



## Y'Noka Y. Bass

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### RELATED SERVICES

- Commercial Litigation
- Employment
- Environmental & Toxic Tort

### OFFICES

- Chicago

### OVERVIEW

Y'Noka Bass focuses her practice on complex commercial litigation, employment litigation, and environmental & toxic tort. She has represented clients in a variety of matters, including breach of contract, employment discrimination, fiduciary duty, mass torts, premises liability, and toxic tort. Y'Noka is also a current Adjunct Professor at Loyola University Chicago School of Law where she instructs a class of first-year law students on the importance of their professional identity and how to be ethical leaders in the legal profession.

Prior to joining GRSM, Y'Noka was an associate at a litigation firm where she represented clients in a range of areas including civil rights, class actions, trade secrets, and wage disputes. She also served as a judicial extern for the Honorable Allen P. Walker in the Law Division of the Circuit Court of Cook County where she drafted legal memoranda concerning mass tort litigation arising from the opioid epidemic.

In her free time, Y'Noka enjoys trying new restaurants, traveling, pilates, and spending time with friends

and family.

## **CREDENTIALS**

### **Admissions**

- Illinois
- U.S. District Court, Central Northern and Southern Districts of Illinois
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan

### **Memberships**

- Black Women Lawyers' Association
- Chicago Bar Association
- Cook County Bar Association

### **Community Involvement**

- Loyola University of Chicago School of Law, Adjunct Professor
- Wisconsin Alumni Association, Recent Grad Council Chair

## **EDUCATION**

- J.D. & Certificate in Child Law; Loyola University Chicago School of Law, 2021
  - Dean's List
  - CALI Excellence for the Future Award Winner for highest grade in Legal Writing II
  - Civitas Child Law Fellow
  - Philip H. Corboy Fellowship in Trial Advocacy
  - Philip H. Corboy Mock Trial Team
  - Constance Baker Motley Mock Trial Team
  - Constance Baker Motley Mock Trial National Champion, 2019-2020
- B.A., English & Legal Studies; Certificate in Criminal Justice; University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2018
  - Dean's List
  - Posse Foundation Full-Tuition Leadership Scholarship