

Alaska Judicial Council

Judicial Applicant Biographical Statement

Name: Chris Peloso

Position(s): Alaska Court of Appeals

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After graduating from Georgetown Law and completing a clerkship for Judge McCarthy on the Federal Mine Safety Commission, I came to Juneau Alaska to practice law and help preserve the environment.

I worked for the Alaska Dept. Law as an Assistant Attorney General for eight years, focusing mostly on civil litigation in environmental law and tax law.

Since 2018 I have been a private attorney focusing on serving the needs of my community and litigating mainly on behalf of criminal defendants who otherwise could not afford an attorney. I also do work in CINA, family law, and general civil litigation. I also appear on behalf of clients in the Tlingit-Haida tribal court.

I have argued 24 cases in front of the Alaska Supreme Court, am a member of the Appellate Rules Committee, and have a deep interest in the ‘philosophy of law’ that is at the core of appellate practice.