



## **BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT OF MICHELE KIRALY**

Michele joined Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada in 2024 as a Staff Attorney in the Consumer Rights Project. Michele provides legal assistance to the low-income, vulnerable, and elderly clients of Legal Aid Center who present with a variety of general consumer protection issues.

Prior to joining Legal Aid Center, Michele spent two-and-a-half decades in private practice focusing on insurance-related litigation, representing insurers in first party and extracontractual cases and insureds in third party cases. She also served as general counsel to several local businesses. Recognizing that the most vital parts of the legal process happen outside the courtroom, Michele developed a bedrock of experience in all aspects of civil litigation, including mediation and arbitration hearings, settlement conferences, as well as trials and appeals. Michele also served as a court-appointed arbitrator.

Michele is a Nevadan through and through. She's a proud Wildcat -- that is, a graduate of historic Las Vegas High School -- and a Rebel, graduating Magna Cum Laude and with High Honors in 1990 from UNLV, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice. Michele was named UNLV's Honors College Alumna of the Year in 2005. In 1993, Michele received her Juris Doctorate degree from the University of San Diego. Michele returned to UNLV and obtained a Master's Degree in Education, Curriculum, and Development in 2019.

Michele is licensed to practice law in Nevada. Michele's reported cases include *May v. Anderson*, 121 Nev. 668, 119 P.3d 1254 (2005).

In her spare time, Michele enjoys traveling, cooking, baking, spending time outdoors, and basking in the company of her family and friends.