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Daniel Zeno Joins ACLU of Iowa as Policy Counsel

Des Moines, Iowa – The ACLU of Iowa is pleased to announce that it has hired Daniel Zeno as policy counsel.

Zeno will be responsible for implementing the ACLU of Iowa’s policy and legislative strategy, including lobbying. He’ll also work with policymakers at the county and city levels to advance the ACLU’s work in voting rights, racial justice, criminal justice reform, immigrant’s rights, free speech, reproductive freedom, women’s rights, LGBT rights, privacy rights, and more.

Over the past three years, Zeno represented low-income Iowans in civil cases as a staff attorney with Iowa Legal Aid in Cedar Rapids. Before that, he worked in Washington, D.C., with Huron Legal, a part of the Huron Consulting Group, as a project attorney working on discovery and other document review tasks for investigations by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Department of Justice, and the Federal Trade Commission.

Zeno is a graduate of the University of Iowa College of Law, where he was the recipient of the prestigious Patricia Cain-Jean Love Commitment to Social Justice Award, a volunteer intake worker for the Justice for Our Neighbors immigration clinic, and a member of the Equal Justice Works National Advisory Committee.

He has also worked at the U.S. Government Accountability Office as an analyst. He has an MPA with a specialization in Policy Analysis and Economic Development from Indiana University and an AB in Economics from Wabash College.

Rita Bettis, ACLU of Iowa legal director and interim program director, said, “Daniel has a brilliant legal mind, a deep dedication to social justice and civil liberties, and is a highly effective communicator. We are tremendously excited that he is going to be a part of our team.”

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