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Welcome to The Quattro Firm

At the Quattro firm, we believe in viewing our client as a whole person as opposed to just a set of legal issues. We believe that in order to be a successful advocate, we must be able to understand the full needs of our clients, not just the legal needs. By using this full understanding, we advocate with compassion.

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Meet The Ladies Of The Quattro Firm



Nicole McNamara Quattrocchi is the founding member of the Quattro Firm. She is a 2008 Southern Methodist University Law School graduate and a 2004 Wake Forest University Graduate. Nicole is a licensed Texas attorney where her practice involved mostly civil and commercial litigation. Nicole has been licensed in Florida since 2014 and has centered most of her practice on domestic relations law.

Nicole has spent a lot of time volunteering in her legal career whether it be through pro bono cases or through assisting at the Hurricane Katrina Relief Clinic in law school. Nicole believes in viewing the client as a whole person and not just a specific legal issue and therefore has, thus far, taken every case that the firm can handle, regardless of inability to pay. She is a passionate and compassionate attorney who looks forward to working with people across the spectrum of life with all of their legal needs.



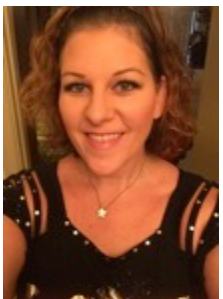
Melanie Bruchet is a 2012 graduate of Mercer University's Walter F. George School of Law in Macon, Georgia, where she received her J.D. and a Certificate in Advanced Legal Writing, Research, and Drafting from Mercer's top rated legal writing program. Melanie served on the Board of Directors for the Stonewall Bar Association of Georgia as well as completed internships at CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) for Children and the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey.

Melanie has presented nationally on the subjects of human trafficking and LGBT youth in the juvenile court system. She also co-authored an amicus brief to the Georgia Supreme Court on the issue of post-separation custodial rights and the emotional effect on children of divorced parents. Melanie maintains an active bar license in Georgia and is sworn in to both the Georgia Court of Appeals and the Georgia Supreme Court. A South Florida native, she currently lives in Asheville, North Carolina.



Lauren Reyes is a 2014 graduate from Charlotte School of Law in Charlotte, North Carolina where she received her J.D. and was awarded Highest Pro Bono Distinctions with over 447 hours of Pro Bono work for local non-profits including the Latin American Coalition, the Southeast Asian Coalition, and Catholic Charities. Lauren's Pro Bono work includes drafting Articles of Incorporation for a local organization, drafting and Filing 1023 for 501(c)(3) organization, performing extensive document research for Deferred Action Clients, and assisting with Naturalization and Deferred Action Clinics.

Lauren is originally from Wilmington, North Carolina and currently sits as an Executive Board member of Sister's By Grace Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to providing funds and opportunities for development in academics, leadership, spiritual growth, and mission work for young women.



Sarah Doran has been working professionally in accounting since 2005. Her experience includes conducting, supervising, and reviewing annual audits, bookkeeping and payroll, and compilations and examinations of the financial records of a wide range of businesses including non-profits, law firms, restaurants, 401(k) plans, and other service industries.

Sarah attended Florida Atlantic University earning her degree in Mathematics and attending an additional two years of studies in Accounting and Business Administration. She is originally from West Palm Beach, FL. She is a supporting member of Compass Lake Worth, United Way and Farm Sanctuary, and she volunteers at various fundraising events for local charities.



Ashley Riley is an Undergraduate student at Florida State University, studying Political Science and Economics. She is a sister of Alpha Chi Omega sorority, and serves as the Assistant to VP of Philanthropic Relations. She is a Student Government Association crew member, working on campaigning for Student Government parties.

Ashley is a certified volunteer for the Tallahassee Women's Refugee shelter, working with women and children who escaped abusive households. She will graduate from Florida State in 2019 and plans to then attend Law school.

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Nicole and Lauren working on their kickboxing skills at Title Boxing Club



Lauren and Ballet Teacher Lisa Lee enjoying lunch at Mar-A-Lago (read more about Lisa on page 5)

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Nicole and Ballet Teacher Lisa Lee enjoying lunch at Mar-A-Lago

The Quattro Firm News



May Promo

“Supporting a Woman’s Right to Shoes”

Take a picture of you rocking your favorite shoes. Men and Women are invited to participate.

3 top “liked” photos on The Quattro Firm’s Facebook page by May 31st will win!

1st place: 1 free hour of attorney time

2nd place: \$50 off bill

3rd place: Free consultation

Contest starts May 1st and runs through May 31st, Applicants must “like” The Quattro Page and post the above-described picture. Check out the Facebook page for more rules and example posts.

The Quattro Firm is excited to announce our newest addition, Ashley Riley. Ashley is a rising sophomore at Florida State University who will be spending her summer as our summer intern.

Ashley is a very active member of the student body at Florida State, as well as her sorority, Alpha Chi Omega, Student Government and various other student organizations at FSU. Ashley aspires to be an attorney one day and enjoys giving back to her community and helping people.

We are so excited to spend the summer with Ashley and to give her a behind the scenes view of a small woman-run law firm where she will do her fair share of filing and errands but also get the opportunity to have some hands on experience with client files. Ashley will get the opportunity to experience some legal research, learn how to draft pleadings and discovery, as well as sit in on mediations, client meetings and help to prepare for trial and hearings. As an aspiring lawyer, Ashley is very excited for this opportunity.

We look forward to setting a good example for Ashley as to what a small firm can be as well as to give her the chance to experience a variety of different areas of the law. We look forward to seeing all the amazing things that she will do later in her life.

To get more insight into what Ashley is up to during her internship, check out her monthly summer story. Coming soon.

The Quattro Firm Believes In Female Empowerment

According to the National Women's Business Council, as of 2012 there were 9,932,424 women-owned businesses in the United States, however when it comes to women run law firms the numbers were few and far between. In fact, in 2013 the American Bar Association reported that women make up only 34% of the legal profession, and of those women only 20.2% were partners in the firms. As of April 2015, only 12 of the largest 100 U.S. run law firms have a woman in their highest leadership position. The Quattro Firm strives to make a change in these numbers.

Being an all female firm gives the Quattro Firm a unique advantage when it comes to handling cases and clients. In addition, being an all female firm fills us with a sense of pride and empowerment. We love to support female run businesses and each month we will recognize one female run company in the area.

As we continue our monthly celebration of female empowerment, the Quattro Firm had the distinct pleasure of taking a lunch with ballerina extraordinaire Lisa Lee of Lisa's Dance and Exercise. Lisa shared her story of her love of dance, which led to creating a part-time business in order to be able to spend time being a mother, and how her eclectic careers choices have shaped her business.



In 2013, Lisa decided that she'd like to start up a part-time business so that she could spend time with her young son and still have a profession. She had dance experience and had substituted for a

friend's ballet and tap dancing classes. After being a substitute, Lisa decided that she loved dancing with the young children and began offering classes in the clubhouse of her community. She began with two different classes: ballet and tap for girls ages 3-7 years and a creative movement class for children 18 months to 3 years old which was originally designed for boys as she was a mother to a little boy. Now this class is co-ed, but mostly a class for young girls.



Eventually, Lisa's business grew and grew. She began teaching classes at Cool Beans in Palm Beach Gardens and has had several different studio locations throughout Lake Worth. Her new studio, which opened in 2015 offers more than five styles of dance, as well as competitive dance teams, acting, music and art classes.

Lisa feels that her studio is different from the competitors because it offers more classes to younger children. She gears the classes in such a way as to engage the children on their level through the use of fun and child-appropriate props like ribbon wands, My Little Ponies, and reindeer antlers. Lisa additionally uses Disney music and themes like Frozen and Sofia the First. She believes in keeping the children innocent by not requiring make up, keeping the costumes modest and age appropriate as well as keeping the music G-Rated.

While being a woman ballet teacher is more socially acceptable, she has still faced some adversity in her field. Lisa told us that she's often not taken seriously, especially given her sunny and sweet demeanor. Since she's a people pleaser, vendors

have tried to take advantage of her by not paying for classes or with studio locations attempting to over-charge her for rent.



However, Lisa calls herself a big success. She attributes her success to the power of prayer and her eclectic background. After college, she had several different careers including the service industry, a legal secretary, as well as counseling and social work. She believes that her work in the service industry taught

her how to deal with people and this helps her to handle her teachers, vendors, service providers and parents of her students. Working as a legal secretary has given her some ability to understand the contracts and waivers, which are required for running a dance studio. Through counseling, she is able to work well with children and problem-solve.

As far as Lisa's favorite part of being a female dance teacher, it's the tutus. She gets to wear comfy clothes and be very girly, which is particularly fun since she's outnumbered by the boys in her household. Lisa is a proud mother of two little boys.

Lisa also loves the kids that she teaches. They are her favorite part of her classes. She gets to do something that she loves, while being silly and getting tons of hugs from little girls. Lisa also regaled us with humorous stories of the beauty of the honesty of children. While some women may be upset at being told by a 4 year old that her outfit didn't look good, Lisa laughs at it and appreciates the honest feedback.

As far as her favorite dances to choreograph, she enjoys the princess themed dances the most because she's really a kid at heart. She finds inspiration everywhere. For instance, in the current choreography for this session, she's been adding some jazz movements.

In three years, Lisa has choreographed all sorts of dances for classes and recitals. We were curious to know what her favorites were. She told us that she is really excited about "Friend Like Me" from Aladdin which is being performed by the 3 year old class for the current recital which will be in June at Boynton Beach high school. Lisa also really enjoyed the choreography during the Frozen themed session where the girls performed "snowflake" arabesques to "Let It Go."

Lisa advises other entrepreneurial women to be willing to commit a lot of time to their profession and to make sure that they have done all of the jobs personally at the outset in order to understand the employee perspective as the business grows. Additionally, a woman wanting to start her own business should be willing to learn; much of the outset of a business is learning all the aspects that go into it. She further advises that marketing is the first priority. Lisa spends half of her time marketing.

It was wonderful getting to hear how Lisa turned her love of dance and desire for a part-time career at her community clubhouse into a successful business. It is further encouraging to those of us who believe that a woman can do it all (be a successful mother and a successful business woman) to see how a woman with enough drive can reach all of her goals.

Thank you to Lisa Lee of Lisa's Dance and Exercise for sharing your beautiful story with us. We hope that this article can inspire other self-starters the way that your story has inspired us.



A Note From The Quattro Firm

Once again, we appreciate all of your support of the Quattro Firm. As we enter our summer season, we hope that you will think of us to plan ahead for bright shiny days. Thank you and may you all enjoy a beautiful summer.

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