

# Mark S. Dobrzycki

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## Objective

Seeking to use my deep and broad skills and experience in legal services, advertising, public relations, marketing, media, community relations, government service, domestic matters, foreign affairs and more to help an organization or a company achieve its goals. I am able, versatile, hard-working, and enjoy working with a team. On an assignment, I complete the job. I have seen much of the world, am comfortable in two languages and all cultures, and have a solid education.

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## Experience

### Director for Amicus Poloniae Legal Clinic

The Polish National Alliance's Polish Information Center

Managed over 100 attorneys and volunteers in providing pro bono legal services. Navigated local, county, state and federal agencies on behalf of clients.

### General Manager for Marketing and Legal Affairs

Worldfone, Inc. and Satellite Sources, Inc.

Supervised 35 managers, salesmen and technicians. Created work schedules, tracked inventory and promoted sales and marketing. Renewed municipal licenses and permits. Responsible for employee and customer relations

### Marketing and Communications Consultant

Self-employed

Created written and photographic material for clients including Wendy's, Village of Rosemont and publications, including New York Times, San Francisco Examiner and USA Today

### Marketing and Public Relations

Polish National Alliance

Created written and photographic material to promote major fraternal organization. Was editor of English language page of the Polish-language daily paper Dziennik Zwiazkowy and contributor to Zgoda magazine.

### Commercial and Editorial Marketing

Imagery Source, Chicago, IL

Created and distributed material for clients including McDonald's, Wilson Sporting Goods and Motorola. One photo and caption for Wilson appeared in over 1,200 daily newspapers.

### Host of "American Theatre Today"

United States Information Agency

One of two primary hosts of an exhibit with actors from the Guthrie Theater in Minneapolis and the Actors Theater in Louisville as part of a program to prepared for President Ronald Reagan's visit to Poland — the first diplomatic exchange between Poland and the U.S. since the start of martial law in 1981.

**Media Experience**  
(General)

**Freelance Reporter/Writer**

Chicago Sun–Times

Covered Prep Sports for legendary sportswriter Taylor Bell. Reported on first game of Simeon High School after the murder of its basketball phenomenon Ben Wilson.

**Photo Editor**

Associated Press Midwest Bureau, Chicago, IL.

Responsible for coverage of events in Chicago and Midwest. Staff of 20 editors, writers, photographers. Assigned and reported on stories, edited, wrote and checked all written material and captions. (Hired by AP after successful earlier paid internship.)

**Media Experience**  
(Ethnic)

**Producer and Host**

Polish American Journal

Live, 30–minute television news and interview program for ETC (Ethnic Television Chicago). Developed and wrote news script, recruited guests for interviews. Responsible for advertising and sponsor development to provide revenue for production.

**Co–host of “Political Mondays”**

Hour–long radio program with discussion and debate on local, state and national political issues of importance to Chicagoland’s Polish community.

**Government/  
Civic Experience**

**Trustee**

Village of Harwood Heights, IL

Chaired committees on Planning, Forestry, Green Initiative, Finance, Ordinance and License, and Public Works. Set plans and budget on each committee. Created village’s first comprehensive plan in 34 years and hired first bilingual staff (English–Polish) for Village Hall and Police Department. Was founder of Harwood Heights–Norridge Chamber of Commerce (over 100 members).

**Trustee**

Presence Resurrection Northwest Health Leadership Board

Served two terms (per limits), setting policy for outreach to constituencies and developing a modern Catholic health care system for hospital and community.

**Vice President**

Polish American Congress, Illinois Division.

Created and promoted agenda for Polish American community.

**Member**

Immigrant and Refugee Affairs Committee, Chicago Human Rights Commission.

Created programs, language forms, pamphlets and brochures for Polish community.

## Organizer

Polish Constitution Day Parade Committee, which presents one of the largest parades in Chicago. Responsible for permits and publicity. Wrote script for reviewing stand and television. Parade announcer for 19 years.

## Served as Director on following boards;

- Chicago Access Corporation, Chicago, IL
- Northwestern University, Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, Evanston, IL
- Copernicus Foundation, Chicago, IL
- Chicago Intercollegiate Council, Chicago, IL
- Americans of Polish Descent, Chicago, IL

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## Education

Northwestern University,  
Evanston, IL  
Economics B.A.  
Sociology B.A. Scholarships  
from Northwestern and State of  
Illinois.

Loyola University Chicago,  
Quinlan School of Business,  
Marketing, M.B.A. Two-year  
graduate business studies with  
concentration in marketing.

## Additional Studies

John Paul II Foundation  
University Studies, Rome,  
Italy. Studied Polish Culture,  
Language and History in  
program affiliated with  
Kosciuszko Foundation, New  
York City.

Jagiellonian University,  
Krakow, Poland. Scholarship  
from Kosciuszko Foundation,  
New York City, to study  
Polish Culture, Language and  
History.

## Awards

Chicago Bar Association 2016  
Vanguard Award. Only  
recipient who is neither an  
attorney nor a judge. First  
Polish American recipient.

Chicago Volunteer Legal  
Services Foundation,  
Distinguished Service Award  
2016.

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Services Foundation,  
Distinguished Service Award

## Awards (cont.)

Advocates Society Honorary Lifetime  
Membership (Polish American Bar  
Association).

2019 Teraz Polska Foundation,  
Warsaw, Poland. Person of the Year,  
Outstanding Pole in USA

2008.