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Nicola interned for the Honorable Justin M. Johnson of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania. In 1996, she was hired by the Honorable Charles R. Alexander of the Clarion County Court of Common Pleas. Later, she clerked for the Honorable Thomas Doerr. Nicola became Assistant District Attorney for Allegheny County in 2001, where she

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In 2007, Nicola left the DA's office and joined the firm of K&L Gates for three years before starting her own private practice in 2010. Her firm focuses on all areas of family law and criminal law, serving a diverse clientele largely including individuals struggling with mental health issues, financial crises and addiction.

Nicola serves as the Diversity Director for Duquesne University School of Law and is a member of the Duquesne Law Alumni Board of Governors. She is a Commissioner on the Allegheny County Human Relations Commission, a member of the Pennsylvania Interbranch Commission for Gender, Racial and Ethnic Fairness – Legal Academics Working Group, and a former member of the Pennsylvanians for Modern Courts Board of Advisors. She previously served on the Pennsylvania Supreme Court Disciplinary Board Committee. Nicola is active in the Allegheny County Bar Association, having served two terms as Secretary and currently is a member of the newly formed Ad hoc Committee to Examine Police Use of Force and Court Rules for Bail, Probation, and Incarceration.

Nicola is the recipient of the Allegheny County Bar Association WLD Carol Los Mansmann Helping Hand Award (2019), the *New Pittsburgh Courier* Women of Excellence (2017), the Women's Bar Association of Western Pennsylvania's Susan B. Anthony Award (2016), the Duquesne Women's Law Association Woman of the Year Award (2015) and the Pennsylvania Bar Association's Minority Bar Committee Rising Star (2009).

She lives with her husband and two children in the North Hills of Pittsburgh.