



“As the firm’s office manager, she is the glue that keeps the office running smoothly. Genevieve manages a team of 15+ full-time employees, part-timers and freelancers with outstanding professionalism. Her thoughtful and thorough management style both in and out of the office makes all employees feel like true team members. She leaves no stone unturned in terms of office support and is always looking for the newest way to make the office a fun, efficient, and rewarding place to work. She makes sure the firm’s operational, technical, and organizational systems meet and exceed employees’ needs, and she is always there in an emergency.

Genevieve Kotasek

Firm administrator
Reiter & Walsh ABC Law Centers

Why did you choose a career in the legal field?

Growing up in South Africa, there were very few TV shows to watch on the 3 or 4 channels we had back then, but “L.A. Law” was one of them, and it was my favorite. I love the idea of justice and balance, and good guys winning. Despite my theatrical and teaching training, when I was offered a job at my current firm almost 20 years ago, I didn’t hesitate to take it, and it has lived up to all of my lofty “L.A. Law”-inspired expectations!

What is the best part of your job?

That’s a tough question because it’s hard to choose just one thing. I would have to say the best part of my job is the amazing people I get to work with every day (and I’m not just saying that because I hired most of them!). Our firm, headed by Jesse Reiter, is comprised of some of the most talented and dedicated legal professionals in the country. There is so much satisfaction here in being part of an incredibly motivated and brilliant team. Our firm helps children who have been injured in the birthing process and we have been doing that successfully for twenty years. Jesse Reiter believes deeply in what he is doing and we all feel it. . . there is no replacing that. I also love the complexity and intensity of what we do — and the variety of challenges that make every day interesting and satisfying as we get closer to our ultimate goal, which is winning for our clients.



What do you enjoy doing in your time away from work?

Away from work, I enjoy every second I get to spend with my husband and our 3-year-old son, who keeps us very much on our toes. Right now, in addition to negotiating with and running after our toddler, I am training for my second Detroit marathon. When I am not visiting my family in South Africa, we can be found exploring the amazing beaches and nature of Michigan and enjoying Detroit’s riverfront, which is one of our favorite places.