

Jacob A. Cristoforo was born and raised in Bay City. Following his graduation from Bay City Central High School, he attended Michigan State University, earning a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, and then attended Cooley Law School, where he received his Juris Doctorate degree, with a concentration in litigation.

Jacob worked as an extern and then a law clerk for a Lansing law firm, Mertens, Laxton, and Clement. There Jacob gained extensive experience in criminal law – at the state and federal trial and appellate levels – as well as family law. After passing the bar examination and becoming licensed to practice law in 2011, Jacob second-chaired multiple capital trials in Ingham County. As he continued building his own solo law firm, Jacob continued working for the same law firm – primarily writing appellate briefs.

Jacob returned to his home town of Bay City in the fall of 2014, where he transplanted his solo law firm, primarily practicing in criminal and family law. It was in 2017 that his work product caught the attention of long-time Bay City attorney Edward Czuprynski, Chief Counsel of Bay Justice Associates. Jacob began working for Bay Justice Associates in January 2018, and was offered a position as Associate Counsel for Bay Justice Associates late last year.