Ziwei Che

Illinois J.D. with federal bankruptcy court internship experience and published legal scholarship
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Education

University of Illinois College of Law — Champaign, IL
Juris Doctor | GPA: 3.12 — May 2026

- Vice President of Bankruptcy Law Society | President of Real Estate Law Society
- Robert E. & Jane Ferris Scholarship

Boston University — Boston, MA
Master of Arts, History of Art and Architecture | GPA: 3.68 — May 2021

Soochow University — Suzhou, China
Bachelor of Arts, Advertising | GPA: 3.7 — June 2019

Selected Legal Experience

University of Illinois College of Law — May 2025 – Apri 2026
Articles Editor, University of Illinois Journal of Law, Technology, & Policy

- Published student note, *The Art of Business Under the Microscope: Navigating Cyber-Threats, Self-Dealing, and Global Compliance*, 2025 U. Ill. J.L. Tech. & Pol'y ___

Research Assistant to Prof. Arden Rowell — *June 2025 – April 2026*

- Co-authored article, *Nuclear Power's New Rule Book: Managing Uncertainty in Efficiency, Safety, and Independence*, published on Nuclear Newswire (Nov. 21, 2025)

United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas — May 2025 – August 2025
Judicial Intern — McAllen, TX (Remote)

- Researched and drafted memos and summary judgments on a range of issues, such as debtors' requests for discharge of debts and attorneys' motions for legal fees
- Reviewed and edited draft summary judgments by the judge's law clerk

California Sixth District Court of Appeal — May 2025 – July 2025
Judicial Extern — San Jose, CA

- Reviewed Appellate Briefs and drafted judicial opinions on domestic violence cases

University of Illinois College of Law Intellectual Property Clinic — January 2025 – May 2025
Student Attorney — Champaign, IL

- Provided trademark counseling and prepared trademark application filings for five University Technology Entrepreneur Center student startups

Champaign County Circuit Court — September 2024 – December 2024
Judicial Extern — Champaign, IL

- Wrote memos on juvenile detention, child guardianship, expungement, due process, and others

Law Office of the Cook County Public Defender (Homicide Task Force Division) — June 2024 – August 2024
Law Clerk — Chicago, IL

- Wrote memos on reduction and motions to suppress identification testimony
- Reviewed and analyzed prisoner interviews, transcripts, and others to find supporting evidence

University of Illinois Foundation — May 2024 – August 2024
Legal Extern — Champaign, IL

- Drafted memos on intellectual property ownership, union grievances, donors' restrictions, and others

Language Skills & Interests

English (fluent); Mandarin (native); Spanish (intermediate reading)
Running marathons