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OVERVIEW

George Somi is a litigation attorney with extensive courtroom experience and a strong background in trial advocacy, motion practice, discovery, and complex case management. His hands-on courtroom experience, careful legal analysis, and practical approach to resolving disputes allow him to bring a measured, strategic perspective to each stage of litigation.

George is fluent in Levantine Arabic and has intermediate proficiency in Modern Standard Arabic and French.

Before Bowditch

Before joining the firm, George served as an Assistant District Attorney in the Worcester County District Attorney's Office, where he handled a large and diverse caseload and developed substantial experience taking cases from grand jury investigation and pretrial proceedings through trial.

During his time as an Assistant District Attorney, George first-chaired more than 100 jury and bench trials in the Superior and District Courts and regularly litigated evidentiary and dispositive motions. He also managed hundreds of active matters simultaneously, negotiated plea agreements, directed discovery, and prepared expert and lay witnesses for hearings and trials.

George began his legal career in civil practice, representing plaintiffs in employment matters involving discrimination, wrongful termination, retaliation, whistleblower claims, and Family and Medical Leave Act issues. His earlier experience also includes federal civil litigation in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, where he successfully litigated motions that resulted in the dismissal of claims.

During law school, George served as a judicial intern for the Honorable Marianne B. Bowler in the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts.

Besides work

Outside the office, George enjoys traveling with his wife and children, cooking, exploring new cuisines and restaurants, following international soccer, and cheering on Boston sports teams. He also has a longstanding interest in the music, culture, and history of the Arab world and the broader Middle East.

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AFFILIATIONS

- Massachusetts Bar Association
  - Associate Editor, *Massachusetts Law Review* (2025–2027)
  - Board of Directors, Young Lawyers Division (2025–2027)
  - Leadership Academy (2024–2025)
- Chair, New Lawyers Section, Worcester County Bar Association (2025–2026)
- Member, Boston Bar Association
- Member, Arab American Bar Association of Massachusetts

ARTICLES & TALKS

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- *Bilcon v. Canada: A New Paradigm for Causation in Investor-State Arbitration?*, Handbook of International Investment Law and Policy, J. Chaisse, L. Choukroune, & S. Jusoh, eds. (Springer-Nature: 2020)
- *The Death of Nonresident Contribution Limit Bans and the Birth of the New Small, Swing State*, 28 Wm. & Mary Bill Rts. J. 995 (2020)
- *Syria Under Pinheiro: Reformulating Syrian Domestic Law for Decentralized Reconstruction*, 43 Brook. J. Int'l L. 717 (2018)

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Massachusetts

EDUCATION

- J.D., Brooklyn Law School; Editor-in-Chief, *Brooklyn Journal of International Law*
- M.A., Harvard University
- B.A., *cum laude*, Boston College

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