

## **Hellina Hailu Esq**

Hellina Hailu is an attorney licensed to practice law in Maryland, North Carolina, and the District of Columbia. She is a 2004 SEED high school awardee. Hellina went on to attend the University of Maryland, College Park and earn her Bachelors of Science degree in Psychology. Hellina went on to attend North Carolina Central University School of Law where she earned her Juris Doctorate. Hellina worked as a Public Defender in North Carolina and then later opened her Law Practice Hailu Legal, PLLC. Hellina is currently working for the Department of Veterans Affairs working on Veterans Appeals.

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