



Father-son partners:
John Quinn Sr.
John Quinn Jr.

FATHER-SON PARTNERS:
John Quinn Sr., 63
John Quinn Jr., 33

Company: Quinn & Quinn, LLC,
 Attorneys at Law

Location: 248 Hudson St., Hartford

Start: January 2010

Numbers: Five employees

Business description: Small family firm practicing general law including workers' compensation, personal injury, small business, real estate, estate planning, probate and criminal law

How it began: "The company was formed by my father and uncle, James M. Quinn, after working together as partners for many years in another firm called Furniss & Quinn, P.C. which my father had helped found in 1976. [He moved to West Hartford in 1978.] I joined the firm as an attorney in May 2010 after graduating from UConn law school [and lived in town until 2012]. I had previously worked here part time while in law school and before that as a legal assistant at Furniss & Quinn."

According to John Sr.: "I am very proud to have my son and namesake join me in the practice of law. It's a profession with opportunities on a daily business to help people. I observe John with his interactions

with clients and am pleased that he is empathetic and sincere. Clients often come to lawyers in a time of need and it is wonderful to see that John welcomes the opportunity to give assistance."

According to John Jr.: "Dad has taught me everything I know about being a practicing attorney - from the smallest details on procedure to the broad strokes of how to approach a case or client. While I am sure that I sometimes annoy him with my constant questions and attempts to glean as much of his knowledge and experience as I can, it is very reassuring to me to always have someone who is willing to lend me some advice or a helping hand when needed. The firm's dynamic works I believe in part because we are all

so close and are able to use our different strengths to make the business stronger overall."

Their advice: "Being in business with family presents rewards and challenges. The rewards include working with people that you trust and know. The challenges include working with your family members and bringing to work those aspects of your family dynamics that can cause strife. Working with my son has been a natural extension in that, in my professional life, I have worked with both of my brothers. We have always been close and although we have our disagreements, that which binds us is much stronger than that which pulls us apart."