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EDUCATION

The University of Michigan Law (J.D. 1980)

Wake Forest University (MAEd, 1975, BA, 1974)

ARBITRATION, FACT-FINDING, AND MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

- Full-time Arbitrator, Fact Finder, and Mediator January 2000—Present
- Inducted into the National Academy of Arbitrators October 2018
- *Current Rosters/Panels*
 - AAA (Labor, Employment, Consumer)
 - FMCS (Labor)
 - National Mediation Board (Labor—Railroad)
 - USPS/NALC (Labor)
 - MERC (Grievance & Fact Finding)
 - SERB (Ohio State Employment Relations Commission—Fact Finding)
 - MI Supreme Court Special Masters' Roster

JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE & TRAINING

- ❖ Trained for the Michigan Supreme Court's *Special Masters* in September 2017
- ❖ Chief Judge of the 14A District Court, November 1994 through July 1999; appointed in March of 1994 and elected for a six-year term in November 1994
- ❖ Twice selected as Chief Judge of the three-judge bench
- ❖ Participated in a pilot project with the Washtenaw County Circuit Court to assist with taking Circuit Court pleas after District Court bind-overs in all felony matters
- ❖ Attended the weeklong training at the National Judicial College in Reno, NV, completing the following courses: (1) Interpreting the law, (2) Assessing evidence, (3) Controlling hearings and trials, (4) Deciding impartially, and (5) Sentencing

ACADEMIC

- ❖ Adjunct Professor, Cooley Law School (2011), teaching Alternative Dispute Resolution.
- ❖ Associate Professor, Eastern Michigan University (1987-1989), teaching Business Law and Political Science.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- ❖ Member, National Academy of Arbitrators (NAA)
- ❖ Member, State Bar of Michigan
- ❖ Past Chair, State Bar of Michigan ADR Section
- ❖ Member, Labor and Employment Relations Association (LERA)
- ❖ Member, ADR and Labor and Employment Law Sections, State Bar of Michigan