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EDUCATION:

Loras College,
Dubuque, Iowa

B.A. Magna Cum Laude, May, 1971

Major:

Political Science

Scholastic Honors:

Delta Epsilon Sigma
(National Scholastic Honor Society)
Honor's Program Dean's List

DePaul University Law
School, Chicago, Illinois

J.D., June, 1974

Scholastic Honors:

Dean's List
American Jurisprudence Award for Contracts

Member, DePaul Law Review, 1972-74

National Institute for
Trial Advocacy, Midwest
Regional Session, Chicago,
Illinois

Diploma, March 24, 1985

Intensive professional program in
the art and skill of trial advocacy

PUBLICATIONS:

1. Co-Author, (D. Roe, M. Dahlen, A. Jones, and D. Kroeger), Article, Survey of Illinois Law: Insurance Law, 32 S. Ill. U. L. J. 1039 (2008).
2. Co-Author, (M.Dahlen and K.Dahlen), Article, Survey of Illinois Law: Civil Trial and Appellate Practice and Procedure Developments, 31 S.Ill.U.L.J. 759 (2007)
3. Author, Bagent v. Blessing Care Corp.: How to Avoid a Hospital's Potential Liability for Wrongful Disclosure of Confidential Patient Information by an Employee, ISBA Health Care Lawyer (Vol. 23, No. 4, June 2007)
4. Co-Author (M.Dahlen and K.Jones), Case Note, Reverse Apparent Agency Revisited: Continued Attempts to Transform an Employed Physician to an Independent Contractor to Avoid the Local Governmental and Governmental Employees Tort Immunity Act, Defense Newsletter, Vol. 3, No. 3 (Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel, November, 2003)
5. Co-Author (M.Dahlen, J.Ryan and K.Jones), Manual (114 pp.), Guide to Illinois and Federal Discovery and Inspection and Copying of Medical Records Outside the Discovery Process (2003)
6. Co-Author (M.Dahlen and K.Jones), Case Note, Reverse Apparent Agency in Medical Malpractice Cases or, Can the Plaintiff Have it Both Ways?, Defense Newsletter, Vol. 2, No. 5 (Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel, October, 2002)
7. Author, The Appellate Timetable: a Procedural Checklist for the General Practitioner, 90 Illinois Bar Journal 188 (2002)
8. Author, "Perfecting the Appeal," Civil Appellate Practice, Course book Materials (ISBA Law Ed Series 1991) and Appellate Lawyers Association, Appellate Practice Seminars, March, 1992 and April, 1993
9. Author, "Supreme Court Rule 237(b): Requiring the Corporate Defendant to Produce Employees or Officers at Trial," Hot Trips on Handling and Avoiding Common Settlement and Trial Problems, Course book Materials (ISBA Law Ed Series 1991)
10. Author, Section IV, "Perfecting the Appeal," Effective Appellate Practice in Illinois, Course Materials and Practice Handbook (IICLE, 1990)
11. Co-author (M.Dahlen and K.Dahlen), Article, Supreme Court Rule 272: What Every Appellate Attorney Must Know Regarding Entry of a Final Judgment. 1 Appellate Law Review 6 (1989)

12. Author, Section II, "Perfecting the Appeal," Appellate Practice for Illinois Lawyers, Course Materials and Practice Handbook (IICLE, 1989)
13. Author, "Appeal Timetables for Illinois Supreme and Appellate Courts; Appeal Timetable Annotations; Frivolous Appeals; Illinois Appellate Motion Practice; and Supervisory Orders of the Supreme Court," Civil Appeals in the Fifth District, Course Materials and Outlines (Jackson County Bar Association, Jan., 1988)
14. Author, Section II, "Scope and Powers of Review," Illinois Civil Appeals: The Current Law and Practice Clinic, Course Materials and Practice Handbook (IICLE, 1988)
15. Co-author (M.Dahlen and M.Rouhandeh), Chapter 13 "Scope and Powers of Review," Civil Appeals Handbook, (Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education and Appellate Lawyers Association, 1984 ed., Supp. 1987, and 1989 rev. ed.)
16. Author, Chapter 8 "Procedural Considerations," Appellate Practice Skills Handbook, (Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education, 1982)
17. Author, Article, Supreme Court Rule 24: Appellate Court Research Departments, 69 Illinois Bar Journal 766 (1981)
18. Author, Article, Dismissal of a Complaint or Counts Thereof: a Few Appellate and Jurisdictional Ramifications, 69 Illinois Bar Journal 160 (1980)
19. Author, Booklets, Common Errors in Appellate Practice (1980); Appeal Timetable (1980); and Synopsis of the Major Supreme Court Rules Revisions (1979)
20. Contributor, Chapter 10 "Internal Procedures of the Illinois Reviewing Courts" by Edward Kionka, Illinois Civil Practice After Trial Handbook, (Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education 1976 and rev. ed. 1980)
21. Contributor, Article, Consumer Protection, 1973 Survey of Illinois Law, 23 DePaul Law Review 98 (1973)
22. Author, Book Review, Real Estate Law by Robert Kratovil, 23 DePaul Law Review 1167 (1973)
23. Author, Note, People v. Dollen and United States v. Russell: New Developments in the Defense of Entrapment, 23 DePaul Law Review 570 (1973)

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Speaker and Discussion Leader, "New Developments Regarding the Healthcare Services Lien Act," Health Law Symposium, Illinois Association of Healthcare Attorneys, October 25, 2011, Chicago, IL
2. Panelist and Speaker, ISBA Law Ed Program, Tips of the Trade: A Federal Civil Practice Seminar - 2011, "The Impact of Ashcroft v. Iqbal for both Plaintiffs and Defendants", January 21, 2011, Collinsville, IL
3. Speaker, Jackson County Bar Association, "How to Obtain Medical Records in State Court Civil Litigation," February 19, 2009
4. Instructor, Southern Illinois University CLE program, "Illinois Appellate Practice and Procedure: From A to Z," June 20, 2008, Carbondale, IL
5. Instructor, Southern Illinois University CLE program, "Illinois Appellate Practice and Procedure: From A to Z," October 6, 2007, Carbondale, IL
6. Speaker, Jackson County Bar Association, "2006–2007 Appellate Survey: Amendments to the Supreme Court Rules, the Revised Appellate Timetable and Leading Decisions," May 17, 2007
7. Speaker, Jackson County Bar Association, "Appellate Practice Pointers," January 19, 2006
8. Instructor, Illinois State Bar Association Law Ed Series, "Nuts and Bolts of Appellate Practice," Bloomington, Illinois, February 18, 2002 (Topic: "Arguing the Case")
9. Speaker, Civil Practice Update, ISBA Continuing Legal Education Program, Carbondale, Illinois, March, 1997. Topics included Expert Discovery in the Absence of Rule 220; Professional Malpractice Torts; Certificate of Merit in Medical Malpractice and Product Liability Actions; Post-judgment Motions and Appeals: Nature of the Judgment or Order Appealed
10. Planning Committee, Southern Illinois Bench/Bar Conference, sponsored by SIU School of Law, judges and county bar associations in Southern Illinois, Seasons on the Green, Rend Lake Golf Course, May 5, 1995
11. Instructor, Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education, "Illinois Civil Appellate Practice: State and Federal" Seminar, Mt. Vernon, Illinois, November, 1993 (Topics: Notice of Appeal, Stays and Record on Appeal)

12. Instructor, Southern Illinois University School of Law and Jackson County Bar Association, Seminar, "Civil Appeals in the Fifth District," Carbondale, Illinois, October, 1992
13. Instructor, Appellate Lawyer Association, Appellate Practice Seminars, "Perfecting the Appeal," Champaign, Illinois, March, 1992 and Springfield, Illinois, April, 1993
14. Instructor, Illinois State Bar Association Law Ed Series, Appellate Practice Seminar "Perfecting the Appeal", Chicago, Illinois, December, 1991
15. Instructor, Illinois State Bar Association Law Ed Series, Civil Practice Seminar, "Supreme Court Rule 237(b): Requiring the Corporate Defendant to Produce Employees or Officers at Trial", Bloomington, Illinois, May, 1991
16. Instructor, People's Law School Course, John A. Logan Community College, Carterville, Illinois, "Personal Injury and Property Damage Suits," February 15, 1990
17. Panelist and Speaker, ISBA Civil Practice and Procedure Section Council Bi-annual Allerton House Conference, "A Review of the Reviewing Courts -- Are They Serving the Ends of Justice," Allerton, Illinois, April, 1990
18. Speaker, Jackson County Bar Association, "Appellate Practice and Procedure in the Fifth District" seminar, SIU Law School, Carbondale, Illinois, 1988
19. Guest Speaker, Office of the State Appellate Defender Annual Conference, July, 1986, Chicago, Illinois: "Illinois Appellate Court Research Staffs: Their Duties and Roles in the Appellate Process"
20. Instructor, Illinois Institute of Continuing Legal Education, "Appellate Practice and Procedure" Seminars, Chicago and Springfield, Illinois, 1984, 1988, 1989 and 1990
21. Moderator, Appellate Lawyers Association, "Appellate Practice and Procedure" Seminar, Springfield, Illinois, 1980

MEMBERSHIPS:

1. Illinois State Bar Association (1974 to present)
 - Special Committee on Merit Selection of Judges by Appointment (1987 - 1989)
 - Special Committee on Appellate Practice (2001 to 2002)

Member, Bench and Bar Section Council (1982 - 1987)
Secretary 1986 - 1987

Member, Civil Practice and Procedure Section Council (1988 - 1992)

Member, Insurance Law Section Council (2006 - 2010)

Member, Allerton House Conference Steering Committee,
1990 (Conference on Access to Justice) and 1992 (Conference
on the Illinois Appellate Courts)

Tort Law Section Council

Workers' Compensation Section

2. Kentucky Bar Association (1994 to present)
3. American Bar Association (1974 to present)
Litigation Section
Tort and Insurance Practice Law Section,
Appellate Advocacy Committee
4. Jackson County Bar Association (1983 to present)
President 1987 - 1989
5. The Defense Research and Trial Lawyer Association (1983 to present)
6. Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel (1988 to present)
7. Illinois Appellate Lawyers Association (1983 to present)
Board of Directors, 1991 - 1994
8. Illinois Association of Healthcare Attorneys (1999 to present)
9. National Committee of Appellate Court Staff Counsel (1978 - 1981)
10. Board of Commissioners, State Appellate Defender Commission (1979 - 1981)
11. Transportation Lawyers Association (2002 to present)
12. Illinois Supreme Court Judicial Information System Committee (1980 - 1981)
13. Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity

14. Bar Association of the Central and Southern Federal Districts of Illinois (2002 to present)
Retention Committee for Magistrate Judge Frazier (2003)

RECOGNITIONS:

1. Leading Lawyers Network: The Top Lawyers
(Law Bulletin Publishing Co., 415 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois.)
(2004 to present)
Category: Civil Appellate Law. Statewide survey of peers to determine top lawyers based upon experience, reputation and legal skills. Distinction earned by fewer than 5% of all licensed lawyers.
2. Top Lawyers In Illinois: Commercial Litigator 2007, Civil Defense-Related 2007, and Appellate Lawyers 2010 (As published in Chicago Lawyer Magazine)
3. AV Peer Review Rating by Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory ("The AV Peer Review Rating, which identifies a lawyer with very high to preeminent legal ability, is a reflection of your expertise, experience, integrity and overall professional excellence.")
4. Marquis Who's Who in American Law
5. Marquis Who's Who in America
6. National Registry of Who's Who
7. Cambridge Who's Who Among Executives, Professionals and Entrepreneurs

ADMISSIONS:

1. Illinois Supreme Court, Admitted November 26, 1974 (ARDC No. 0569054)
2. Kentucky Supreme Court, Admitted June 6, 1994 (No. 85278)
3. Missouri Supreme Court, Admitted March 9, 2011 (No. 63425)
4. United States Supreme Court, Admitted February 21, 1989
5. United States District Court of the Northern District of Illinois, Admitted December 10, 1974
6. United States District Court of the Southern District of Illinois, Admitted December 11, 1979

7. United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit,
Admitted November 10, 1982
8. United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit,
Admitted October 31, 1991

LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

A. Law Practice:

1. Senior Partner, Feirich/Mager/Green/Ryan,
2001 West Main Street, Carbondale, Illinois 62903

President and Managing Member, January 1, 1993 - December 31, 2001.
Individual concentration in civil litigation including all phases of pre-trial,
trial and appellate practice in areas of insurance coverage, personal
injury, medical malpractice, commercial litigation, property damage,
products liability, third party claims and workers' compensation
2. Associate, McKenna, Storer, Rowe, White and Farrug, 200 N. LaSalle, Chicago,
Illinois and 2001 Manchester Road, Wheaton, Illinois
Responsibilities included all phases of pre-trial, trial and appellate practice
in insurance defense litigation. March, 1981 to May, 1983
3. Court Administrator and Research Director, Illinois Appellate Court, Fifth District,
Mt. Vernon, Illinois 62864
Position encompassed appellate court management, research and writing,
and supervision of staff attorneys. January, 1975 to March, 1981

B. Other:

1. Research Assistant, Professor Michael I. Swygert, DePaul University Law
School, Chicago, Illinois 60604
Emphasis on the Uniform Commercial Code and its Federal and Illinois
legislative developments.
September, 1973 to May, 1974

PRO BONO LEGAL ACTIVITIES:

1. Student intern and volunteer attorney, Chicago Volunteer Legal Services
Foundation, Lincoln Park Clinic, 2322 North Kenmore, Chicago, Illinois 60604
Legal aid work. April, 1972 to December, 1974

2. Volunteer attorney, Illinois Volunteers For Justice, Illinois Bar Center, Springfield, Illinois 62701
Civil legal aid work representing indigents in the circuit, appellate and supreme courts of Illinois
August, 1983 to present
3. Judge, Annual National Health Law Moot Court Competition, Southern Illinois University School of Law
1991 to present
4. Brief Judge, National Appellate Advocacy Competition, Sponsored by American Bar Association Law Student Division
2002 to present
5. Member, Board of Visitors, SIU School of Law
2000 to 2003