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Dean and Professor of Law
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EMPLOYMENT

2013 – present University of Connecticut School of Law
Dean and Professor of Law

2003 – 2013 McCarter & English, LLP, Partner
At various dates: Executive Committee; Compensation
Committee; Co-Chair, Strategic Planning Committee;
Construction Practice Group Leader; Office Managing Partner

1997 – 2003 Cummings & Lockwood, Partner

1994 – 1997 Murphy Laudati & Kiel, P.C., Partner

1978 – 1994 Robinson & Cole, Associate, Partner

EDUCATION

COLUMBIA LAW SCHOOL, J.D. 1978, Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar 1975 - 1976

YALE UNIVERSITY, B.A. Economics, 1975

TEACHING

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT SCHOOL OF LAW
Individual Externship Seminar
Guest teacher in multiple courses
Adjunct Instructor, Commercial Paper, 1996 - 2000

QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW
Distinguished Practitioner in Residence, 2010 - 2011
Faculty Committee on the Future of Legal Education, 2007 - 2009

UNIVERSITY OF HARTFORD CONSTRUCTION INSTITUTE
Various courses on construction law. 1995 - 2003

AREAS OF PRACTICE

Construction Law; Trust and Probate Disputes; Alternative Dispute Resolution; Ethics; Municipal Law; UCC Articles 2, 3, and 4.

Pro bono: prison conditions; speedy appellate proceedings; marriage equality; exoneree representation in coordination with Connecticut Innocence Project; non-profit strategic relationships. Also, pro bono liaison for McCarter & English Executive Committee.

PRESENTATIONS

MULTIPLE LAW SCHOOLS, BRAZIL, GERMANY, CHINA

Organize, preside, and present at conferences, 2014 - present

Topics include regulation of financial sector, prosecution and defense of economic crime

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF PROBATE JUDGES

Evidence in probate hearings, 2010

CONNECTICUT PROBATE JUDGES' INSTITUTE

End-of-life decision-making, 2011; Evidence in will contests, 2004, 2008

Multiple presentations on ethics, including: "Ethics in Negotiation" and "Communicating with Unrepresented Employees"

PUBLICATIONS

Connecticut Law of Check Fraud, 1991, published by Atlantic Law Books

Municipal Construction Projects, co-author, 3d edition, published by the Connecticut Interlocal Risk Management Agency, 2009

"A Decade of Check Fraud Litigation After the 1990 Revisions to the U.C.C.," ABA TIPS Business Litigation Committee Newsletter, 3-part series in 2004 (co-author)

"Check Fraud Litigation in Connecticut After the 1990 Revisions to the U.C.C.," 68 Conn. B. J. 393 (1994)

"Construction Mediation" and "Advocacy in Mediation" chapters in Connecticut Mediation Handbook, published by Quinnipiac Law School and the Connecticut Bar Association, 2002

Library of Connecticut Civil Discovery Forms: Construction Litigation, Conn. Law Tribune, 2011 (co-author)

Library of Connecticut Civil Complaints for Business Litigation: Construction, Conn. Law Tribune, 2010 (co-author)

Numerous articles on construction and alternative dispute resolution in professional and trade publications

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

ACCESS TO JUSTICE COMMISSION, Member, 2017 -

TASK FORCE ON ACCESS TO COUNSEL IN CIVIL MATTERS
Appointed by CT Legislature; Co-Chair 2016 - 2017

CONNECTICUT BAR FOUNDATION
President, 2010 - 2013. Board of Directors, 2004 - present

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL COMPENSATION
Chair, Term 2012 – 2016; Appointment by Governor

GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL REFORM
Appointment by Governor, 2006

CONNECTICUT JUDICIAL BRANCH
Commission on Civil Court ADR, 2011; Chair, Committee on Evaluation
Committee on Self-Represented Parties, 2008 - 2009
Committee on Judicial Information Policy, 2006 - 2009

CONNECTICUT INNOCENCE PROJECT
Sponsor through McCarter & English of Connecticut office
Coordinator of professional support teams for exonerees
Founder of Connecticut Innocence Fund to support exonerees

CONNECTICUT BAR ASSOCIATION
Co-Chair, Task Force, Future of the Legal Profession, 2004 - 2006 Chair,
Task Force on Confidentiality and the Courts, 2003 - 2005
Co-Chair, Task Force on the Future of the Probate Court System, 2001 - 2003

CONNECTICUT LAW TRIBUNE
Editorial Board, 2012 - 2014

AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION
Co-Chair, Construction Advisory Committee, CT, 1995 - 2013

GREATER HARTFORD LEGAL AID

Board of Directors, 1997 - 2006

HARTFORD NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS

President, 1989 – 1991; Board of Directors, 1986 - 1992

AREAS OF RESEARCH

Indentured Servitude: independent research on the legal and economic history of the institution.

Israeli Constitution: independent research on the laws and agreements underlying the country's constitutional structure.

AREAS OF PRIVATE PRACTICE

Construction Law; Trust and Probate Disputes; Alternative Dispute Resolution; Ethics; Municipal Law; UCC Articles 2, 3, and 4.

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MEDIATOR AND ARBITRATOR SERVICE

AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION

Construction arbitrator and mediator panels

CONNECTICUT JUDICIAL BRANCH

FactFinder, 1992 – 1994; Special Master 1992 – 1994

HONORS and AWARDS

COMMUNITY PARTNERS IN ACTION

Award of appreciation for work on behalf of exonerees, 2012

CONNECTICUT BAR ASSOCIATION

John Eldred Shields Distinguished Professional Service Award, 2008

CONNECTICUT LEGAL SERVICES

Community Award, 2007

CHAMBERS U.S.A.

"Leaders in their Field" ranking, 2012