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**Profile:** 25 years of judicial experience. Active private mediation and arbitration practice, with over 2300 mediations completed; 94% success rate. Extensive experience in complex civil matters, including personal injury, medical malpractice, product liability, real estate and construction disputes, and contract litigation.

Named one of "Louisville's Best Attorneys in the area of Mediation," Louisville Magazine 2013 and 2014. University of Louisville law instructor. Testified before committees of both the United States Senate and House of Representatives as an expert in the area of child abuse prevention and treatment. Lectured at Harvard Law School and the National Judicial College. Admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court, U. S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky and all Kentucky Courts.

### **Professional Experience**

**Private Mediation and Arbitration Practice - 2004 - present**

**Senior Judge - 2004 - 2008**

*Presided over civil and criminal cases in Circuit Court throughout Kentucky*

**Law Instructor - Adjunct Faculty, University of Louisville - 1984-2004**

*Taught classes in Torts, Contracts and Practical Legal Skills*

**Judge, Jefferson Circuit Court - 2000-2004**

*A court of general jurisdiction presiding over complex civil litigation, felony Criminal cases and a broad range of pre-trial proceedings*

**Judge, Jefferson District Court - 1983-2000**

*A court of limited jurisdiction handling civil cases, misdemeanors, juvenile Matters, probate and small claims*

**Faculty, Civil Mediation Program, National Judicial College - 2003**

**Assistant County Attorney - 1981-1983**

**Private Law Practice - 1980-1983**

**Dispute Resolution Certifications**

*Civil Mediation Course, National Judicial College (40 hours) - 2002*

*Arbitration Course, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (40 Hours) - 2004*

**Education**

*Juris Doctor, University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law - 1980*

*Foreign Law Studies - University of London, England - 1979*

*Bachelor of Arts, Cum Laude, University of Louisville - 1977*

*St. Xavier High School, Louisville, Kentucky - 1973*