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#### **PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT:**

*Brownrigg Mediation & Arbitration Services* (January 1, 2014 to present). Private practice in mediation and arbitration.

*Erickson & Sederstrom, P.C.*, Omaha, Nebraska (October 1980 to December 31, 2013). General litigation practice, including personal injury, construction, insurance, commercial, real estate and securities litigation. Trials before county courts, federal and state district courts, and federal bankruptcy courts. Appeals before the Nebraska Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court of Nebraska, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. Chairman of firm's litigation department, 1985-2002. Mediation and arbitration practice since December 1995.

*Eisenstatt, Higgins, Kinnamon, Okun & Brownrigg, P.C.*, Omaha, Nebraska (June 1974 to October 1980). General litigation practice, including personal injury, construction, securities, real estate, and domestic relations. Trials before county courts and federal and state district courts. Appeals before the Nebraska Supreme Court and the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit.

*Creighton University School of Law*, Omaha, Nebraska (1978 to 1983). Adjunct Professor/Lecturer in Trial Practice.

#### **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS/ADMISSIONS:**

*Nebraska State Bar Association* (Member, House of Delegates, 1981 to 1993; member, Executive Council, 1983 to 1989; President, 1992-1993).

*Nebraska Association of Trial Attorneys*.

*Omaha Bar Association* (President, 1990-1991).

*Admitted to practice* in the Supreme Court of Nebraska, the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska, the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, and the United States Tax Court.

*Nebraska State Bar Commission* (Member, 2008 to 2014).

*National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals* (Member, 2010 to present).

*Nebraska Mediation Association* (Member, 2011 to present).

*Nebraska Continuing Legal Education, Inc.* (Member, Board of Directors, 1991-1992).

*Nebraska State Bar Foundation* (Fellow; Member, Board of Directors, 1991 to 1993).

*Judicial Nominating Commission/District Court, 4th Judicial District* (Member, 1983 to 1991).

*American Bar Association Commission on Lawyer Assistance Programs* (Member, 1996 to 1999).

*Civil Justice Reform Act Advisory Group for the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska* (Member, 1991 to 1993).

*Approved mediator* under the Mediation Plan of the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska; approved mediator under the Mediation Program of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.

## **EDUCATION:**

**Legal:** *Creighton University School of Law*, J.D., *cum laude*, June 1974.

**Undergraduate:** *Rockhurst University*, Kansas City, Missouri, B.A., English, 1970.

**Mediation:** 20 hours of training in 1994 by Dispute Management Resources, Inc., of Seattle, WA (sponsored by Midwest Arbitration and Mediation, Inc., an affiliate of United States Arbitration & Mediation); 30 hours of basic training in 1994 by Nebraska Office of Dispute Resolution (sponsored by the Omaha Bar Association); 16 hours of training in 1995 by CPR Institute for Dispute Resolution (required for membership on mediation panel of U.S. District Court for the District of Nebraska); 30 hours of training in 2010 in Family Mediation by the Nebraska Office of Dispute Resolution; and participation, often as a member of the faculty, in various seminars and other programs sponsored by the Nebraska Association of Trial Attorneys, Nebraska Continuing Legal Education, Inc., the Nebraska Mediation Association, the Omaha Bar Association, and the U. S. District Court for the District of Nebraska.

## **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:**

Board of Directors of *Legal Aid Society, Inc.*, now known as *Legal Aid of Nebraska*, 1982 to 1988; Vice President, 1986-1987; President, 1987-1988.

Board of Trustees of *The New Cassel Foundation*, 2012 to 2018.

Advising attorney for *Volunteers Assisting Seniors* ("VAS"), formerly known as *Volunteers Intervening for Equity* ("VIE"), 1978 to present.

Board of Directors (Ex-Officio) of *Safety and Health Council of Greater Omaha, Inc.*, 1990-1991.

Board of Directors of *Nebraska Council to Prevent Alcohol and Drug Abuse*, 1995- to 2003; President 2001-2002.

State Board of Directors of *Combined Health Agencies Drive* ("CHAD"), 2002.

*Creighton Preparatory High School Alumni Council*, 1995 to 1997.

#### **PROFESSIONAL HONORS/AWARDS:**

Creighton University School of Law Alumni Merit Award, 1998.

Nebraska State Bar Foundation Distinguished Service Award, 1998.

#### **MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION EXPERIENCE:**

Successfully mediated to settlement numerous kinds of disputes in federal and state courts of Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota, including personal injury and death (auto, trucking, motorcycle and boating negligence, products liability, premises liability) claims; malpractice (medical, dental, podiatric, accounting, legal and architect/engineer) claims; construction claims; tort and contract claims against the state of Nebraska and political subdivisions; broker-dealer securities claims; insurance coverage (health, disability, etc.), fidelity, and fire and other casualty claims against insurers; banking, commercial and business (corporate and partnership dissolution, non-compete contracts, etc.) claims; wage-hours claims; will contests and disputes involving trusts; age/race/gender-related employment discrimination and sexual harassment claims; Fair Housing Act claims; Federal Employers Liability Act (FELA) claims; claims involving intellectual property rights; and commercial and residential real estate (landlord-tenant, sale, boundary and use) claims. Served as mediator in more than 1,800 mediations as of December 2014.

Rendered binding decisions in arbitration proceedings involving numerous kinds of disputes, including personal injury (auto, trucking, premises liability) claims; construction and real estate inspection claims; agreements between telecommunications carriers under the Federal Telecommunications Act; commercial and business claims; governmental employee (State of Nebraska) disciplinary matters; casualty claims against insurers, and employment discrimination claims.