

## **Marguerite T Simon, P.J.Ch. ret.**

### **Professional Experience:**

#### **Javerbaum Wurgaft Hicks Kahn Wikstrom & Sinins, P.C.**

Ridgewood, New Jersey  
November 2010 – present, Counsel to Firm

#### **Law Offices of Lawrence M. Simon**

Ridgewood, New Jersey  
June 2004- November 2010, Counsel to Firm

Practice primarily concentrated in Alternate Dispute Resolution. Serve as mediator and arbitrator in private party and court appointed matters.

Resolution of complex commercial cases, injunctive relief matters, corporate and shareholder proceedings, employment disputes, insurance coverage cases, personal injury matters, land use litigation, prerogative writ actions, contested estates and guardianships, election disputes, and other significant litigated matters.

Rule 1:40 Qualified Mediator and Mediator Mentor  
2006 Professional Lawyer of the Year Award, New Jersey State Bar Association  
2006 Professional Lawyer of the Year Award, Bergen County Bar Association  
2010, 2011 Super Lawyer, New Jersey, Alternate Dispute Resolution

General Editor, Practice Series Volume New Jersey Trial and Appeals, Lexis Nexis 2007

#### **Judge of the Superior Court of New Jersey**

Hackensack, New Jersey  
1984 until retirement on June 1, 2004  
Presiding Judge of Chancery Division 1999 to 2004

Family Part assignment included divorce, custody, termination of parental rights, adoption and domestic violence cases. Special Civil Part assignment involved small claims, commercial matters, and landlord-tenant cases.

In Law Division handled both jury and non-jury cases. Jury matters involved accident cases, product liability cases, medical and other professional malpractice cases, employment discrimination, construction, and business contract disputes. Non-jury cases included matters in lieu of prerogative writs and contract matters. Assigned as judge to oversee the initial Business Court pilot program in Bergen County.

Assigned to Chancery Division in 1997. Named Presiding Judge of Chancery Division in 1999. Chancery Division Assignment included contested election results, ballot and voting issues, and all General Equity matters including corporate and partnership dissolutions, oppressed shareholder cases, receiverships, restrictive covenants, trade secrets, specific performance, constructive trusts, partition cases and oversight of medical emergencies. Probate Part work included will contests, contested trusts, contested and uncontested guardianships and conservatorships.

Supreme Court Committees included:

- Conference of Presiding Equity Judges
- Judiciary-Surrogates Liaison Committee
- Complementary Dispute Resolution Committee
- Judicial Education Committee
- Model Civil Jury Charge Committee (Co-chair)

**Marguerite T. Simon, Attorney at Law**

Oradell and River Edge, New Jersey  
1969 – 1984; Solo practice

Represented major bank in commercial real estate and financing matters. Administration and planning of significant estates.

Contested and uncontested Probate and Guardianship matters. Planning and Zoning including attorney for Municipal Planning and Zoning Boards.

**County of Bergen**

Hackensack, New Jersey  
1980-1981; Assistant County Counsel

Drafting resolutions and memoranda. Representation of patients at involuntary commitment hearings.

**Kissam & Halpin**

New York, New York  
1964-1965; Associate

**Simpson, Thacher & Bartlett**

New York, New York  
1963-1964; Associate

**Bar Admissions:**

- New Jersey-1966
- New York-1962
- U.S. District Court of New Jersey-1966

**Classes and Seminars taught:**

New Jersey Judicial College:

- Orders to Show Cause
- Complementary Dispute Resolution

Institute for Continuing Legal Education:

- Chancery Practice

- How to Try a Medical Malpractice Case
- How to Try a Wrongful Death Case
- Civil Trial Preparation

Bergen Community College

- New Jersey Nonprofit Corporation Law

**Education:**

**University of Virginia School of Law**

Charlottesville, Virginia; LLB-1961

**Barnard College**

New York, New York; BA-1958

**Professional Associations:**

Bergen County Bar Association

- General Equity Committee Co-chair
- Trustee (former)
- Chair, Real Property Committee (former)

New Jersey State Bar Association

- Dispute Resolution Section
- General Equity Committee
- Membership Chair (former)

Women Lawyers in Bergen County

- First President upon adoption of Constitution and By-laws