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Undergraduate Work. West Virginia Wesleyan College, Buckhannon, West Virginia. Bachelor of Science degree, 1966. Major: zoology; minors: chemistry, English. Inducted into Beta Beta Beta, biology honor society.

Graduate Work. Ohio University, Athens, Ohio. Master of Arts degree, 1968, 18th Century English Literature. Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas. Completed all course work and comprehensive examination for the Ph. D. in English Literature. Teaching assistant: taught 2 3-hour Freshman Composition courses each semester for 6 semesters. Withdrew from doctoral program in order to attend law school.

Military Service. United States Navy, active duty 1968 - 1972. Inactive Reserve 1972 - 1974. Honorably discharged in 1974 at YN2 (E-5). Served aboard USS Springfield, CLG-7 (light cruiser) and USS Newport News, CA-148 (heavy cruiser), attached to staff of Commander, Second Fleet. Served ashore in Carrier Airborne Early Warning Training Squadron 120, Naval Operating Base, Norfolk. Cosmic (US and NATO) Top Secret clearance with Crypto Access (required FBI background investigation).

Legal Education. Washburn University College of Law, 1975 - 1977. Juris Doctor degree, December, 1977 (completed law school in 2 1/2 years). Sat for and passed the Florida Bar Examination in February, 1978. Admitted to practice in all Florida courts; United States District Court (Middle District, Florida); United States Circuit Court of Appeals, 11th Circuit; United States Tax Court; United States Supreme Court. Qualified as Arbitrator by Florida Supreme Court, 1995. First Certified as Circuit Civil and Family Law Mediator 1993. Recertified in Circuit Civil mediation 2010; Certified in Appellate mediation 2011.

Professional History.

- Assistant Public Defender for Charlotte County, Florida, June, 1978-December, 1978.
- Associate with Law Office of James E. Moore, III, January, 1979 - December, 1980.
- Shareholder in Hall & Widmeyer, P.A., January, 1981 - March, 1986.
- Sole Practitioner, Law Office of Stephan B. Widmeyer, March, 1986 - present.

Professional Experience.

- Extensive jury trial experience, both criminal and civil (no longer involved in criminal law).

-Extensive civil bench trial experience (family law, contracts, lien foreclosures, commercial disputes, real estate disputes including boundary disputes and quiet title actions.)

Mediation/Arbitration Experience

-I was first certified as a Circuit Civil and Family Mediator in 1993 (re-certified in Circuit Civil in 2010); Mediator Number 4326RA. Recently certified as an Appellate Mediator. I have been an active mediator since 1993, mediating more than 1300 disputes in various areas of the law, including, but not limited to, consumer/business disputes, personal injury and products liability cases, contract disputes, construction disputes, probate contests, family issues, and foreclosures. I am a Certified Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Program mediator, and I am rostered with both the Collins Center and Conant Center RMFM Programs. I estimate that, since 1993, between 25% and 30% of my practice has been as a mediator.

-With Hal Frank Wotitzky, Esq., I formed Mediation Education, LLC in 2010 for the purpose of offering mediator training courses and continuing education courses. Our Circuit Civil Mediator Certification Training Program was certified by the Florida Supreme Court in 2010. I am an approved Assistant Trainer. My presentations in our Circuit Civil Training program total approximately eight (8) hours. We have successfully conducted four circuit civil training courses to date.

-Sole arbitrator in several cases, both court-referred non-binding arbitration and voluntary binding arbitration.