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WORK EXPERIENCE

- *Bankruptcy Law Coordinator*
South Jersey Legal Services, Inc., Camden, NJ Nov. 2021-Present
- *Dean of Faculty Committee*
American Board of Certification, Bankruptcy Dec.2020-Present
- *Faculty Member*
American Board of Certification, Bankruptcy July 2017-Present
- *Adjunct Professor of Law*
Rutgers Law School, Camden, NJ Aug.1995-Aug. 2008,
Bankruptcy Workshop, Bankruptcy Litigation, Externship Seminar Jan. 2013-Present
- *Program Director*
Bankruptcy American Inn of Court, Cherry Hill, NJ 2011-2017
- *Master*
Bankruptcy American Inn of Court, Cherry Hill, NJ 2003-Present
- *Training Instructor*
Rutgers Law School Bankruptcy Pro Bono Project,
Camden and Newark, NJ Aug.1994-Present
- *Career Judicial Law Clerk* to the Honorable Judith H. Wizmur
United States Bankruptcy Court, District of New Jersey, Camden, NJ Sept.1993-May 2014
- *Judicial Law Clerk* to the Honorable Michael A. Andrew, Jr.
Presiding Judge, New Jersey Tax Court, Trenton, NJ Sept.1992-Aug.1993
- *Nuclear Engineering Staff Instructor*
S3G Nuclear Power Prototype, United States Navy, Ballston Spa, NY July 1984-Mar. 1988
- *United States Navy*
Various commands, USS Nimitz, CVN-68 Sept. 1979-July 1984

EDUCATION

Rutgers Law School

Juris Doctor Camden, NJ
Tax Honors, Rutgers Law Journal, Lead Symposium Editor in
Constitutional Law, 1991-1992, Staff Editor, 1990-1991 May 1992

New School for Social Research

Bachelor of Science Degree in Human Resources and Management New York, NY
Summa cum laude Jan. 1988

United States Navy

Naval Nuclear Power School; Naval Nuclear Power Prototype Sept.1979-Oct.1981

AWARDS

- Citizens Appreciation Volunteer Award, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly Citation, Oct. 2019

- Camden County Board of Freeholders Citation, Oct. 2019
- Gloucester Township Citizen Appreciation Park Wall of Honor Inductee, Oct. 2019
- Certificate of Special U.S. Congressional Recognition, Oct. 2019
- The Robert J. Cooper Bankruptcy Pro Bono Project Excellence Award, Rutgers University School of Law-Camden, Created in Recognition of Service, July 2017
- Pro Bono Alumni Award, Rutgers University School of Law-Camden, April 2012
- Camden County Martin Luther King, Jr. Freedom Medal, Jan. 2011
- Pro Bono Service Award, Rutgers University School of Law-Camden, Sept. 2009
- Partners in Learning, Excellence in Autism Education Award, 2003
- Bankruptcy Law Section, Pro Bono Program of New Jersey State Bar Association Award, April 2002
- Pro Bono Excellence Award, Rutgers University School of Law-Camden, Nov. 1996
- Various Military Ribbons/Citations, United States Navy

PUBLICATIONS

2020	Co-Author, Textbook – “Basic Bankruptcy Law for Paralegals” 5 th Abridged Ed. Aspen Publishers
1995-2021	Rutgers Law School-Camden and Newark, Pro Bono Programs, Attorney and Student Training Manuals and Appendix
2017	Co-Author, Textbook – “Basic Bankruptcy Law for Paralegals” 4 th Abridged Ed. Aspen Publishers
2014	Co-Author, Textbook – “Basic Bankruptcy Law for Paralegals” 3 rd Abridged Ed. Aspen Publishers
2012	Contributing Author, Case Management Manual for United States Bankruptcy Judges, 2d Rev. Ed.
2011	Co-Author, Textbook – “Basic Bankruptcy Law for Paralegals” 2 nd Abridged Ed. Aspen Publishers
2008	Co-Author, Textbook – “Basic Bankruptcy Law for Paralegals” Abridged Ed. Aspen Publishers
2006	Reviewing Author, New Jersey Bankruptcy Manual
2005	Contributing Author, NJICLE Practical Skills Series on Bankruptcy

1992 Comment: “Likelihood of Confusion and Trademark Infringement -- Vocal Similarity is Accorded Little Weight in a Confusion of Source Case”, 23 Rutgers L.J. 409 (1992)

LECTURES/PRESENTATIONS

2020-Present South Jersey Bankruptcy Practitioners Group, Webinar, Presenter

- ▶ Helping a Difficult Client – A Hypothetical Fact Pattern, Dec. 2021
- ▶ Ask the Chapter 7 Trustees, Nov. 2021
- ▶ Dischargeability of Student Loans, Oct. 2021
- ▶ In re Larzelere, A Case Study, Oct. 2021
- ▶ Potential Ethics Pitfalls on Social Media and How Retainer Agreements Protect the Bankruptcy Attorney, Feb. 2021
- ▶ Going Forward in the “New World” of Bankruptcy/Changes Practitioners Can Expect, Jan. 2021
- ▶ Bankruptcy Judges Panel Discussion, Dec. 2020
- ▶ Recent Amendments to the Local Bankruptcy Rules and Procedures, Oct. 2020

May 2021 South Jersey Legal Services, Inc., Bankruptcy Basics, Webinar, Presenter

April 2021 South Jersey Legal Services, Inc., Bankruptcy Basics, Webinar, Presenter

April 2021 Hon. William H. Gindin Bench Bar Conference, Recent Bankruptcy Case Decisions, Panelist

June 2020 South Jersey Legal Services, Private Attorney Involvement Program, Social Media Ethics and Professionalism in Bankruptcy, Webinar, Panelist

Feb. 2020 Rowan College at Burlington County, Who Can Be a Debtor, Means Testing, Guest Speaker

Nov. 2019 Rowan College at Burlington County, Corporate Business Entities, Guest Speaker

2003-2018 Bankruptcy American Inn of Court, Master, Monthly Presentations, Master

2014-2016 Military Assistance Project, Philadelphia, PA, Pro Bono Bankruptcies, Guest Speaker

Jan. 2015 Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Bankruptcy Conference, Corporate Bankruptcy, Rule 9011 and Safe Harbors, Panelist

May 2014 Hon. William H. Gindin Bench Bar Conference, Pro Bono Bankruptcy Cases, Panelist

Jan. 2013 Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Bankruptcy Conference, Chapter 11 Casino Bankruptcies, Panelist

June. 2012 Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Bankruptcy Conference, Chapter 9 Bankruptcy, Panelist

Nov. 2011 State of New Jersey AOC, Judicial College, Intersection of Bankruptcy and State Law, Panelist

June 2009 NBI Philadelphia Bankruptcy Forum, Panelist

2005-2021 Financial Literacy Project for the New Jersey Bankruptcy Lawyers’ Foundation, High School

Presentations, Instructor

2005-2015	Chapter 13 Personal Financial Management Course, Bankruptcy Solutions, Panelist
2000-2005	Chapter 13 Debtor Education Workshop, Debtor Presentations, Panelist
May 2000	Municipal Court Administrators Seminar, Bankruptcy and Municipal Court Law, Speaker
Aug. 1994- Present	Rutgers Law School-Camden, Pro Bono Program, Attorney and Student Training, Instructor

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Association of the Federal Bar of New Jersey, 2021-Present
- Camden County Bar Association, 2021-Present
- Ocean County Bar Association, 2021-Present
- South Jersey Bankruptcy Practitioners Group, Steering Committee, 2020-Present
- American Bankruptcy Institute, 2019-Present
- Forms Modernization Project, Bankruptcy National Forms Committee, 2013-2014
- The Morris Stern U.S. Bankruptcy Court/Rutgers-Newark Law School Pro Bono Project, Steering Committee, 2011-2015
- Bankruptcy Pro Bono Services Subcommittee for the New Jersey State Bar Association, 2008-2015
- Bankruptcy American Inn of Court of New Jersey, Steering Committee 2011-2017, Master 2003-Present
- Past Co-Chair ABA Litigation Section, Bankruptcy & Insolvency Litigation Committee, Pro Bono Subcommittee 2003
- The Hon. Judith H. Wizmur Bankruptcy Pro Bono Project, Steering Committee, June 1994-Present
- New Jersey State Bar Association
- Pennsylvania State Bar Association

BAR ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey Supreme Court, Jan. 1993
- District Court for the District of New Jersey, Jan. 1993
- Pennsylvania Supreme Court, Dec. 1992

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Highland Soccer Stars, Autism Special Skills Director, Sicklerville, NJ, 2005 to Present
- South Jersey Soccer League, Mount Laurel, NJ, Trustee 2005-2015, Vice President 2015-2020; League Referee Liaison 2018-2020
- South Jersey Soccer Leagues (Boys & Girls) Staff Coaching Instructor, 2018-Present
- Highland Youth Soccer Club, Gloucester Twp., NJ, Travel Commissioner 2000 to 2004, Vice President 2004 to 2007
- New Jersey Youth Soccer Association, State Coaching Instructor, 2015-Present
- USSF National “D” License Soccer Coach; NSCAA Goal Keeper 1 Certificate
- ABA Trained Therapist (Autism, PDD spectrum)

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST