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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Member, Prescott, Jamieson, Nelson & Murphy, LLC, Saco, ME (1988-present).

- Trial lawyer with a concentration in divorce, parental rights and responsibilities, children's advocacy, economic and support allocations.
- Complex litigation and general practice for businesses and families.
- Extensive experience with alternative dispute resolution.
- Licensed attorney in Maine and Massachusetts, State and Federal Courts (1983-present).
- Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW), License #LM10173 (2005-present).

Associate, Smith & Elliott, P.A., Saco, ME (1983-1988).

Instructor, Paralegal Education, York County Community College, Wells, ME (2002-2006).

EDUCATION

M.S.W., Boston College School of Social Work, Newton, MA, (2002-2005).

- Concentration in clinical practice.
- Intern, Youth Alternatives' FIS Program, Kennebunk, ME (2003-2005).

J.D., Vermont Law School, South Royalton, VT (1980-1983).

B.A. cum laude, Western New England College, Springfield, MA (1977-1980).

- Major: Psychology; Massachusetts Teacher's Certification (7-12 Social Studies).

LeMoyne College, Syracuse, NY (1976-1977, transferred).

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

At-Large Member, Fee Arbitration Commission, Maine Board of Overseers of the Bar (2007-present).

Fellow of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, Chicago, IL (1990 – present).

Member, Task Force on Electronic Court Record Access (2004-2005).

Member, Justice Action Group, Legal Service Providers of Maine (2002-2005).

- Appointed Adjunct Member, JAG's Leadership Development Group (2006 – 2007).

Board of Governors, Maine State Bar Association (1993 – 2005; President, 2004; President-Elect 2003; Second Vice-President, 2002; Third Vice-President, 2001; Treasurer, 2000).

Director, New England Bar Association (1994 – 2002; President, 2001-2002; Vice-President, 2000-

2001).

Member, Tri-State Commission on Bar Admissions (1998 - 2000).

Maine State Bar Association, Family Law Section (Chair 1993-1994; Vice-Chair 1991-1993).

Member, Advisory Committee on the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure (1990-1999).

Member and Reporter, MSBA Committee on the Unauthorized Practice of Law (1997-1998).

Maine State Bar Association (1983 - present).

Massachusetts Bar Association (1983 - present).

York Bar Association (1987-present; Executive Committee 1990 - 1994; President 1993 - 1994).

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC ACTIVITIES

Volunteer Lawyer-of-the-Day, Family Crisis Services (2006-present).

Advisory Board, Kids Law of Maine, Pine Tree Legal Assistance (2005-present).

Board of Directors, Caring Unlimited, York County's Domestic Violence Program (2004-present; Treasurer 2006-present).

Saco Bay Rotary Club (1991-1997; 2005-present).

- Paul Harris Fellow, The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International (2003).

Saco Bay Lacrosse (Coach 5th/6th grade 2007; President 2007-2008).

Biddeford Youth Hockey Association, Assistant Coach, Squirt Travel (1996-1997) PeeWee Travel (1998-1999); Atoms I Director (1998-1999); Vice-President (2006-present).

Saco Youth Athletics, Coach, Minor League Baseball and Soccer (1992 - 2003).

Board of Directors, Saco Little League (1995 - 2006; President 1997-1999; Manager 2000, 2001).

Coach, St. James Middle School Soccer Team Biddeford, ME (1998-2002).

Manager, St. James Middle School Baseball Team Biddeford, ME (1999).

Saco Soccer Association, Coach U-12, U-14 Travel Teams (1996-1999).

Vermont Law School Alumnae Board of Trustees (1987-1990).

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Maine Family Law Forms: Discovery, Trial and Settlement (Michie-Butterworth 1993 & Supplements 1994-1997; Lexis/Nexus Law Publishing 3d ed. 2001).

The Hydra Hypothesis: Litigating The Minefield of Allegations of Abuse, Chronic Interference and The Rights of Children (Peter Randall Press 1997).

Articles

COSAs and Psychopharmacological Interventions: Informed Consent and a Child's Right to Self-Determination, *Journal of Law and Family Studies* (forthcoming Spring 2009).

Unified Family Courts and the Modern Judiciary as a "Street Level Bureacracy": To What End for the Mythical Role of Judges in a Democracy, *Quinnipiac Law Review* (forthcoming Fall 2008).

The Act of Lawyering and the Art of Communication: An Essay on Families-in-Crisis, The Adversarial Tradition and the Social Work Model, 10(2) *Legal Ethics*, 176 (2007).

Consent Decrees, The Enlightenment, and the Modern Social Contract: A Case Study from Bates, Olmstead and Maine's Separation of Powers Doctrine, 59 *Me.L.Rev.* 76 (2007).

When Co-Parenting Falters: Parenting Coordinators, Parents-in-Conflict, and the Delegation of Judicial Authority, 20 *Me. Bar J.* 240 (2005).

Chronic Conflict Parents and Group Therapy as a Means of Intervention: A Preliminary Proposal, 28(1) *Social Work with Groups* 81 (2005).

Child Protection: Kinship and Family Group Conferencing, 19 *Me.Bar J.* 140 (2004).

Biological Altruism, Splitting Siblings, and the Judicial Process: A Child's Right to Constitutional Protection in Family Dislocation, 71 *U. of Missouri-Kansas City L.Rev.* 623 (2003).

Interim Attorneys' Fees and Expert "Costs": Ask And Your Client May Receive, 18 *Me. Bar J.* 40 (2003).

The Guardian Ad Litem in Custody and Conflict Cases: Investigator, Champion and Referee?, 22 *U. of Ark. at Little Rock L. Rev.* 529 (2000).

Parental Conflict and The Appointment of Referees In Child Custody Cases, 15 *Me. Bar J.* 44 (2000).

Machiavelli and A Unified Theory of Parental Responsibility: A Proposed Statute, 12 *St. Thomas L.Rev.* 95 (1999).

Guardians ad litem: Defenses to Tort Claims, 15 *Fairshare* 11 (1995).

Responsibility for Children: Equitable Distribution, Alimony and Chaos, 1 *Me. Bar J.* 22 (1995).

Welfare Reform Must Be Linked to Responsibility, *Portland Press Herald* (Op-Ed) (June 17, 1994).

The Children Must Come First, *Portland Press Herald* (Op-Ed) (July 9, 1993).

The Liability of Lawyers as Guardians ad Litem: The Best Defense is a Good Offense, 11 *J. of the Acad. of Matrimonial Lawyers* 65 (1993).

Family Law, Financial Forms and Floundering Federalism, 8 *Me. Bar J.* 156 (1993).

Post-Judgment Modification in Divorce: From Best Interests to Repose, 6 Me. Bar J. 12 (1991).

The Constitutionality of Maine's Protection From Abuse Act (And Other Matters), 4 Me. Bar J. 264 (1989).

Workers Compensation, Substance Abuse and Safety in the Working Place: A Proposal, 2 Me. Bar J.100 (1987).

Educational Support for Children of Divorce Beyond the Age of Majority: A Need For Reform, 3 Me. Trial Pract. 54 (1987).

Economic Fairness and Divorce: A Professional Degree as Marital Property in Maine, 2 Me. Trial Pract. 58 (1986)

Co-Author, *Toward a Model Parent Liability Act*, 20 Cal. Western L. Rev. 187 (1983) reprinted in *School Safety Legal Anthology* (1985).

SELECTED PAPERS AND CONFERENCES

Parental Rights and Responsibilities and the Ethics of Confidentiality, National Association of Social Workers-Maine Chapter (2008).

Hot Tips for Family Law Lawyers, Family Law Institute, MSBA (2006).

Who Made You Boss? Thoughts About the Third Branch in a Democracy, New England Bar Association, Boston, MA (2005).

The "Civil Practice" of Law, Bridging the Gap, MSBA (2004).

Constitutional Law: An Up-date, New England Bar Association, Norwich, CT (2004).

Family Law and District Court Practices, MSBA (2003).

Multi-Jurisdictional Bar Admissions, New England Bar Association, Providence, RI (2003).

Underreporting of Income and Support, York Bar Association, MSBA (2003).

Trial Practice and Family Law, MSBA (2002).

The Role of the Guardian ad Litem in Conflict and Custody Cases, The Ben J. Alzheimer Symposium, University of Arkansas School of Law at Little Rock (1999).

New Developments in Family Law, MSBA (1997).

The Impact of Federal Law on Domestic Relations Practice: A New England Perspective, Massachusetts Chapter of American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, Boston, MA (1995).

Family Law: The Economics of Divorce: A Guide to the Financial Issues Facing Your Family Law Practice, MSBA (1995).

The Pro Bono Lawyer: Child Support - Interstate, Military and Tribal Issues, MSBA (1994).
Family Law: Advocacy - Pleadings, Practice and Discovery, MSBA (1993).
Child Support Guidelines Workshop, MSBA (1993).
Grandparents and Extended Family Custody, Parenting Alternatives, MSBA (1993).
Children and Divorce, American Academy of Adolescent Psychiatrists, Washington, DC (1992).
Families and Tort Actions in the 1990's, Maine Trial Lawyers Association (1992).
Updated Rule 80 Explanation at Managing a Family Law Practice, MSBA (1992).
Emerging Issues in Domestic Practice, MSBA (1991).
Criminal Violation of Maine's Protection from Abuse Act, MSBA (1990).
Economic Issues in Divorce, MSBA (1990).

APPELLATE EXPERIENCE

Lund v. Lund, 2007 ME 98, 927 A.2d 1185.
Morin v. Lundrigan, 2007 ME 37, 916 A.2d 202.
Lawrence v. Webber, 2006 ME 36, 894 A.2d 480.
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Kennebunk Savings Bank v. West, 538 A.2d 303 (Me. 1988).

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In re: Simone S., 474 A.2d 500 (Me. 1984).