

PERSONAL

Date of Birth, July 13, 1943 Married. Four children ages 24 through 37. Resident of Jacksonville, Florida since 1971.

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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts - State University of New York Economics And Business Administration (1965) Juris Doctor State University of N. Y. (1968) Department of Justice, FBI Academy (1969)

BAR ADMISSIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

Florida Bar All Courts-(1971)-Bar Number 138456 United States District Court Middle District United States Court of Appeals Federal Circuit, Washington, D.C. United States Court of Appeals Eleventh Circuit United States Supreme Court Certified Mediator-Fl Supreme Court Civil Circuit Certification No. 2901R Certified Mediator-Federal U.S. District Court, Middle District, Florida

Practiced Before all of the above Courts and the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals, the U.S Army Corps of Engineers Board of Contract Appeals, and the United States Postal Service Board of Contract Appeals.

EXPERIENCE

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, District Two. (1995 to 2016 Retired) Senior Attorney/Assistant General Counsel, construction contracts, eminent domain, including litigation and participation in related mediations. Litigated over 100 eminent domain cases and provided legal representation on various Department matters, including contract claims, surety bond issues, procurement/bidding, utilities and agreements with local governments.

<u>PRIVATE PRACTICE</u>, for 23 years, concentrating on construction contract and surety law. (1972-1995) Represented and negotiated on behalf of all participants in the construction process, including general contractors, subcontractors, materialmen, owners and performance and payment bond sureties. Cases involved all manner of construction related claims, contract matters and litigation, including the takeover, completion and administration of numerous defaulted contracts on behalf of completing performance bond sureties. Experience in dealing with various state and federal agencies, including U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Navy, U.S. Air Force, and the General Services and Veterans Administrations.

<u>UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS</u>, Nashville, Tennessee and Jacksonville, Florida Districts. (1970-1972) Served as Assistant District Counsel and represented the Corps in various construction contract claim disputes and appeals before the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Board of Contract Appeals.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, Washington, D.C., Memphis and Nashville, Tennessee offices. (1968-1970) Served as special agent with investigative responsibility involving violations of Federal criminal statutes.

<u>MEDIATOR/ARBITRATOR</u> (1992 - Present) Service as mediator, arbitrator and dispute resolution specialist in all manner of construction industry and commercial disputes. An active participant in promoting industry-wide awareness and use of alternative dispute resolution techniques (ADR).

AUTHOR/SEMINAR PRESENTER Author of <u>The Florida Construction Lien And Payment Bond Claim Manual</u> and instructor for related seminar course. Multimedia presenter on other legal related topics, such as Surety Bond Defaults, Public Contracts, and "How to Survive Your Deposition" and The Mediation Alternative.

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PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS, AFFILIATIONS

Florida Bar Association Jacksonville Mediation Center- Panel Member Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Certified