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**PERSONAL**

Born: July 17, 1950, Chicago, Illinois  
Marital Status: Married

**EDUCATION**

Washington University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri, J.D. 1975

Associate Editor, Urban Law Annual  
Chairman, Legislative Drafting Project, Woman's Group

Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa, A.B. 1972, Political Science

Honorable Mention, Political Science  
Dean's List, Academic Years, 1971-1972

**LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee, Inc., 1991 - June, 2011

Co-ordinator, HELP Project (Helping Elderly with Legal Problems). Representation of low-income Milwaukee County residents, age 50 and older, in civil and administrative matters, with emphasis on public benefits and advanced directives; provided training on disability legal issues and powers of attorney to physicians, attorneys, lay advocates, and community organizations.;

Manager, Social Security Advocates Work Group. Established a consortium of advocates and Social Security Administration Managers to work collaboratively in identifying and resolving systemic issues and decreasing the waiting times for disability determinations; co-chaired quarterly meetings; managed an electronic list-serve for local Social Security advocates.

Marquette University Law School - Lecturer in Law, 1982 - 1991

Co-director of the law school's Legal Clinic for the Elderly. Instruction and supervision of students in various aspects of civil law and office management. Representation of clients in administrative and civil legal proceedings.

State Public Defender's Office, Juvenile Division, 1978-1979

Chief Staff Attorney of the Milwaukee Juvenile Division. Administrative and training responsibilities for 8 attorneys and 5 support personnel. Trial and appellate representation in civil and delinquency cases.

Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee, Inc., 1975 - 1978

Staff attorney in both the Juvenile Public Defender's Office and Civil Division of the Legal Aid Society. Trial and appellate representation in civil and criminal cases.

St. Louis Legal Aid Association, Welfare Division, 1974 - 1975

Legal Intern; counsel for clients at fair hearings and appeals; legal research on law reform issues.

American Bar Foundation Research Grant, Summer, 1974

Co-author of a report on state implementation of the Water Pollution Control Act, published in Urban Law Annual, Vol. 10, 1975; field research and investigation as to land-use implications.

## **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS**

Member, State Bar of Wisconsin, 1975 through present;  
Board Member, Jewish Community Relations Council, 2011 through present;  
Board Member, Milwaukee Aging Consortium, 2001 - 2004.

## **HONORS**

State Bar of Wisconsin, 2006 Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year;  
Social Security Administration, 2010 Outstanding Public Service Recognition.

References furnished upon request.