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"Going to court can be a stressful experience. As a member of the Litigation Department, I try to put my clients at ease by thoroughly explaining the legal process and promptly addressing any questions that come up during the course of litigation. My extensive trial experience allows me to give them a clear picture of what to expect in the courtroom, during depositions, mediation or arbitration, or at other hearings. This approach minimizes a client's anxiety and maximizes my ability to uncover and present evidence, which is helpful to the case. A calm, well-informed client always makes a better witness, which in turn, helps ensure a successful result."

Areas of Practice:

Litigation, Personal Injury, OUI Defense, OSHA, Municipal

Education:

Western New England College, J.D., 1987
Syracuse University, B.A., 1981

Bar & Court Admission:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts
U.S. District Court, District of Connecticut

Professional & Community Activities Include:

Assistant District Attorney, Hampden County, 1988-1994
Chief District Court Prosecutor, Hampden County, 1991-1993

Awards, Achievements & Appointments Include:

Recipient: American Jurisprudence Book Award of Excellence in Property, 1985

Publications & Lectures Include:

Author: "In the Spirit of the Law - What an Employer Risks When Employees Drink At Functions," *Business West*, January 3, 2008
Author: "A Matter of Interpretation - Is Application of the Bay State's Anti-SLAPP Statute Too Broad?," *Business West*, August 6, 2007
Author: "Recovering Attorney's Fees - There Are Some Exceptions to the So-called American Rule," *Business West*, February 5, 2007
Author: "Points of Interest - Changes to the Safe Driver Insurance Plan Aren't a Ticket to Savings," *Business West*, November 13, 2006
Author: "A Capturing the Spirit of the New OUI Law," *Business West*, December 12, 2005
Author: "A Slippery Slope - Retailers and Personal Injury Lawsuits," *Business West*, June 13, 2005
Quoted in Publication: "Matter of FACTA - Credit Information Measure Will Impact Businesses and Individuals," *Business West*, May 30, 2005
Author: "A Matter of Liability - When and What an Employer Risks When Employees Drink At Functions," *Business West*, October 2004
Co-Author: "The HIPPA Learning Curve - Practical Application of the Law is Not Always and Matter of Black and White," *Healthcare News*, November 2003
Author: "Cruises and Casinos - Be Carefree, Not Careless!," *Valley Business Outlook*, July 2003
Author: "Employee or Independent Contractor? The Differences Between State and Federal Regulations Catch Employers in the Middle," *Healthcare News*, July 2003

