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"I make sure that my clients receive fast, reasonably priced, quality legal services. I work hard to make sure that they feel that they made the right choice in selecting both my firm and me, promptly returning phone calls and answering correspondence. My clients become my friends as well as my best references for future business, so I make sure that they understand what I am doing on their behalf, and that they have input into all key decisions. Keeping clients informed and involved is as important to me as it is to them."

Areas of Practice:

Bankruptcy & Reorganization, Healthcare

Education:

Boston College, J.D., 1974

University of Massachusetts, B.A., cum laude, 1971

Bar & Court Admission:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts

U.S. District Court, District of Connecticut

U.S. Court of Appeals, 1st Circuit

U.S. Tax Court

U.S. Supreme Court

Awards, Achievements & Appointments Include:

Designated as Best Lawyer in *Best Lawyers in America*, 2016-2017

Designated as Super Lawyer in *Boston Magazine*, 2004-2015

Designated as 2013 Top Rated Lawyer in Health Care by Martindale Hubbell

Recipient of MA Bar Association's Community Service Award, June 2007

Selected as Area's Best Bankruptcy Lawyer, Western MA Law Tribune, July 2002

Recipient, Unsung Hero Award, The Jimmy Fund

Professional & Community Activities Include:

Member, Board of Directors, Community United Way of Pioneer Valley, 2005-Present; Incorporator

Member, Board of Directors, Jimmy Fund Council of Western MA, 1983-Present; President, 1990-1992

Adjunct Faculty Member, Bay Path University MBA Program, 2014-Present

Member, Board of Directors, Hampden County Bar Association, 2016-Present; Chair of Bankruptcy Committee, 2016-Present

Judge, *BusinessWest's* Inaugural Forty Under 40 Award

Publications & Lectures Include:

- Lecturer, Bankruptcy & Insolvency, Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Forum, May 2016
- Know the Rules: What You Need to Know About Medical Records in Massachusetts, *Healthcare News*, January 1, 2014
- Contributor: Friendly Ice Cream Corp. Files for Bankruptcy, WGGB TV, October 5, 2011
- At the United Way, Community Matters, *BusinessWest*, September 20, 2007
- Quoted, "Odds Are ... Experts Say the Nation Will Likely Skirt a Recession, but All Bets Are Off," *BusinessWest*, December 24, 2007
- How to Hire a Lawyer - The Yellow Pages Is Not the Place to Begin a Search, *BusinessWest*, February 6, 2006
- United Way is there to help, Republican, December 7, 2005
- Chapter and Verse - New Bankruptcy Law Changes the Rules of the Road, *BusinessWest*, May 16, 2005
- Guest, WARE Radio Show, "Dealing With Financial Problems? Sometimes Bankruptcy Is Best," 2004

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