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Occupation: Attorney/Arbitrator/Mediator (AV Rated Martindale-Hubbell)

Education: B.S., University of Wisconsin, 1962

J.D., University of Wisconsin, 1965 M.B.A. University of Wisconsin, 1967

Professional American Bar Association **Memberships:** Illinois State Bar Association

Licensed Real Estate Broker: Illinois

Listed Panels: American Arbitration Association

Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service

Illinois State Board of Education Illinois Labor Relations Board

Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (FINRA)

National Futures Association Circuit Court of Cook County Circuit Court of Lake County Resolute Systems. Inc.

ADR Systems of America, LLC

Publications: "Fraud Enforcement and Recovery Act of 2009".

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in employment agreements."

Corporation, Securities & Business Law Forum: ISBA. (August, 2008)

"Selling securities is a serious business"
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"Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals upholds the use of FLP against

IRS attack"

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"Seventh Circuit decision discusses "deferral" of information as violation

of 10b-5."

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"Offshore trust upheld by Second Circuit."

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Mobile/Manufactured Homes Merchandiser (October, 1985)

"Laws and Orders: The Case of Lyons V. Shane" Real Estate Magazine (August 23, 1985)

"Legal Aspects: The New Tax Reform Act of 1984" Real Estate Magazine. (July 27, 1984)

"Legal Aspects: Private Real Estate Syndications" Real Estate Magazine (March 9, 1984)

"Changes in Illinois Securities Law impact Real Estate Syndications" Real Estate Magazine. (December 9, 1983)

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Experience:

Served as a Hearing Officer for the Illinois Office of Education for over twenty years; Acted as counsel and arbitrator in numerous cases before the Circuit Courts of Illinois, the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (FINRA), the Federal District Courts in Illinois, the American Arbitration Association, and the National Futures Association. These matters include but are not limited to cases involving the discipline and termination of tenured teachers in the State of Illinois; the discipline and regulation of registered representatives in the securities business; cases involving securities fraud under both federal and state statutory and common law; cases for breach of employment agreements and covenants not to compete; cases for specific performance of real estate contracts and ancillary damages; cases for breach of contract and ancillary matters; class actions for securities fraud and ancillary matters; class actions for consumer fraud and ancillary matters; controversies involving buy-sell agreements; and controversies involving franchise agreements and ancillary matters.

Fees:

Mediation/Arbitration: Per Diem Fee \$1,000. The fee is \$1000 per day for hearing, research and preparation of the opinion and award. A hearing day is any portion of a day up to eight hours. Time for research and preparation is prorated.

Docketing Fees: \$300. The Fee is waived if the case goes to a full hearing.

<u>Cancellation</u>: If the scheduled hearing is postponed or cancelled with notice of less than four calendar weeks (28 days), the per diem fee for each day of hearing shall be charged if another matter cannot be set in its place. For hearings scheduled for three days or more, a notice period of six calendar weeks (42 days) will apply.

<u>Travel</u>: Arbitrator charges per diem fee for any portion of a travel day up to eight hours. Fee is prorated for travel time over eight hours for one day at \$125 per hour.