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EDUCATION

New York University School of Law, LL.M. (Masters of Law) in Taxation, 1987

Rutgers University School of Law, Juris Doctor, 1984

Rider University, Bachelor of Science in Accounting and Finance (Double Major), 1979, Cum Laude

CIVIC EXPERIENCE

Mayor, Clinton Township, New Jersey, Elected 2000 – 2005

Served two three-year terms for “Faulkner Act” community of 13,000 residents in Hunterdon County, NJ.

Led fight to stop 1,000 plus unit Pulte Homes residential development known as Windy Acres. With Council approved Township Master Plan and received COAH substantive certification protecting municipality from “builder’s remedy” lawsuits. As Mayor and Planning Board member won multiple County Planning and Design Awards for community projects such as Cell Tower ordinance, Community Design Guidelines ordinance and Bicycle Paths Master Plan Amendment. Received Design Award from NJ Parks and Recreation for new community Bundt Park design and construction. Prepared with Finance committee and approved with Council annual municipal budgets, capital improvement budgets and bond ordinances. Served as Director of Public Safety. Negotiated with Council contracts for Open Space acquisitions and administration and police department staffing. Consulted with legal counsel on all lawsuits filed by and against Township. Presided at council meetings and addressed resident’s issues.

Treasurer, Greater Raritan Work Force Investment Board, 2010 – Present

The Greater Raritan Workforce Investment Board is a joint Hunterdon and Somerset County Board. We encourage leadership and partnerships among business, labor, government, social service, local education and community groups to create and support a market-driven workforce development system. “One Stop” career centers provide job training and job placement for unemployed persons. Appointed by Hunterdon County Freeholders.

Hunterdon County Agricultural Development Board (CADB), 2009 – Present

CADB’s goal is to promote Hunterdon County agriculture by preserving agricultural land. We encourage preservation of farms with prime soil and high-density developmental potential. Coordinate CADB preservation efforts with State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC), municipalities, and nonprofit organization farmland preservation efforts. Appointed by Hunterdon County Freeholders.

Hunterdon County Legal Services Advisory Sub-Committee, 2010

Appointed by Freeholders to sub-committee with the Honorable Retired Superior Court Judge Roger Mahon and Anthony Kearns (now serving as Hunterdon County Prosecutor) to examine and analyze legal services required by County and specifically to look for cost savings. We recommended the County hire in house legal counsel to provide most legal services and act as "gatekeeper" for outside legal counsel on as needed basis. The sub-committee's recommendations were adopted by Freeholders resulting in hundreds of thousands of dollars in savings of legal costs for the County.

Hunterdon County Republican Committee, Executive Committee, 2012 – Present

Appointed by Chairman to serve with other Municipal Chairs on twelve member Executive Committee. Member of Website sub-committee responsible for successful complete redesign of HCRC website.

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Hunterdon County Republican Committee, Clinton Township, District 7, Elected biannually 2000 to Present, Elected Municipal Chairman 2012

Serve as grass roots volunteer and organizer for local, county, state and national candidates. Recruit and advise local candidates. Provide voter information. Assist with voter registration, phone banks, direct mailing and door-to-door campaigning. Organize and attend fundraisers for candidates.

Hunterdon County Planning Board, 1997 - 2001, Chairman 1998 - 2000

Responsible for preparing and adopting a Master Plan for the physical development of the County. Review subdivision and site plan applications. Foster cooperation and consistency among municipal Master Plans.

Hunterdon County Planning Board – New Jersey State Development Master Plan Cross Acceptance Subcommittee, 2004 – 2005

Cross-Acceptance review with municipalities and residents of Preliminary State Development and Redevelopment Plan (State Plan) and State Plan Policy Map. Attended meetings and workshops reviewing maximum residential build out potential based on current zoning, environmental constraints and other assumptions. Based on review and input made recommendations for County Growth Management Plan.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Director, Personal Trust Services – Amboy Bank, Old Bridge, NJ, 2000 – Present

Direct wealth management and investment advisory services for Bank's high net worth clients. Provide financial planning, asset allocation and risk tolerance advice to individuals and business owners seeking to grow their asset base and fund their retirement, college education, survivorship and estate tax needs. Advice provided through personal contact with clients. Provide trust administration services including acting as trustee. Stocks, bonds, mutual funds, bond ladders and ETFs used to implement investment strategies. Manage annuity and life insurance sales program for 30 licensed agents at 22 bank branches. Responsible for sales goals, product selection, agent training and NJ Department of Banking agent licensing. Manage bank's 1031 Exchange program wherein bank acts as IRC Section 1031 qualified intermediary providing deferral of capital gains tax liability from the sale of business or investment assets.

Attorney - Sole Practitioner, Pennington, NJ, 1991 - 2000

Estate planning and income tax advice to individuals, estates, trusts, partnerships and corporations. Provide planning advice and document drafting for complex estates utilizing instruments including Unified Credit Shelter Trusts, Family Trusts, Irrevocable Life Insurance Trusts, Generation Skipping Trusts, Personal Residence Trusts, Charitable Remainder Unitrusts and Private Foundations.

Tax Attorney - New York Life Insurance Company, New York, NY, 1988 - 1991

Tax advice on issues relating to operations of the company and its subsidiaries, various insurance products and company investments.

Senior Tax Manager, CPA – KPMG Peat Marwick Tax Department, Short Hills, NJ, 1984 - 1988

Tax planning and compliance services to corporations and high net worth individuals.

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PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

Licenses: Certified Public Accountant, NJ
Certified Financial Planner

Member: New Jersey Bar
Hunterdon County Bar Association