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# Profession Accrediting Agency or Jurisdiction Date of Admission

Attorney	New York	1989
	United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York	1989
	2nd Circuit Court of Appeals	1996

I. Professional Organization	<b>Date of Admission</b>	Active/Inactive
American Bankruptcy Institute	2007	Active

# II. General professional experience:

I have practiced bankruptcy law for more than 35 years. I began my career as a Law Clerk (1988-1990) to the Honorable Cecelia H. Goetz, Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of New York. After my clerkship, I spent three years in private practice at the New York City law firms of Dewey Ballantine (1990-1991) and Luskin Stern & Eisler, LLP (1991-1993). In 1993, I joined the United States Trustee's Office, a component of the Department of Justice, as an attorney in the Southern District of New York Office (1993-1996), rising to Assistant United States Trustee in both the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York (1996-2006). In 2006, I was appointed by the Attorney General to the position of United States Trustee for Region 2 (New York, Connecticut and Vermont), serving in that position until my retirement from Government service in 2010. During my tenure as the United States Trustee, I was closely involved in the largest and most complex cases ever filed including Refco, Inc., Lehman Brothers, Chrysler Corporation, and General Motors. Since my retirement I have been appointed as a Fee Examiner in bankruptcy cases pending in N.D.III., SDNY, W.D.NC, Delaware, D.N.J. and Indiana.

I was an Adjunct Professor at St. John's School of Law, I have participated in many panels for national, state and local Bar Associations, including the American Bankruptcy Institute and the New York County Lawyer's Association and lectured extensively at the National Advocacy Center.

#### **III.** General pertinent experience:

As noted above, I have practiced bankruptcy law for over 30 years. I began my career as a Law Clerk (1988-1990) to the Honorable Cecelia H. Goetz, Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of New York. After my clerkship, I spent three years in private practice at the New York City law firms of Dewey Ballantine (1990-1991) and Luskin Stern & Eisler, LLP (1991-1993). In 1993, I joined the

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### **IV.** Mediation training:

In March 2012, I completed a three day Commercial Mediation course sponsored by the New York State Bar Association and Fordham University School of Law. Shortly after being appointed to the Mediation Panel in the Southern District of New York, I was chosen to mediate dischargeability complaints in two related cases. I successfully mediated these matters during a four hour face-to-face session. I have mediated bankruptcy matters in the Southern District of New York and in the Eastern District of New York, settling one case for just under \$1,000,000.00.

### V. Pertinent bankruptcy training:

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# VI. General pertinent business or legal experience:

Prior to attending law school I was a real estate agent and have experience in that area. For more than 20 years I have assisted in operating an antiquarian bookshop and therefore have hands-on small business experience.