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<b><u>I. Profession</u></b>	<b><u>Accrediting Agency or Jurisdiction</u></b>	<b><u>Date of Admission</u></b>
Attorney	New York Bar	1965
	U.S. District Court, S.D.N.Y.	1968
	U.S. District Court, E.D.N.Y.	1968
	U.S. Court of Appeals, 2d Cir.	1981
	U.S. Court of Appeals, 11 <sup>th</sup> Cir.	1982
	U.S. Court of Appeals, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Cir.	1984
	U.S. Court of Appeals, 5 <sup>th</sup> Cir.	1987
	U.S. Court of Appeals, 7 <sup>th</sup> Cir.	1990

<b><u>II. Professional Organization</u></b>	<b><u>Date of Admission</u></b>	<b><u>Active/Inactive</u></b>
American Bar Association	1960s	Yes
N.Y. City Bar Association	1960s	Yes
N.Y. State Bar Association	1960s	Yes

**III. General professional experience:**

Partner/associate, Donovan Leisure Newton & Irvine, 1968-98; Clerk, Hon. Walter R. Mansfield, Southern District of New York, 1966-67.

Litigation and trial attorney experienced in representing clients in federal and state courts, in arbitrations and mediations and in proceedings before departments and agencies of the U.S. involved in regulation of business. Focus has been on complex corporate disputes and class actions involving, among other things, securities, bankruptcy, commercial real estate, joint ventures, mergers and acquisitions, insurance, banking (including lender liability), antitrust and many other areas of corporate involvement in a wide variety of industries. In charge of Donovan Leisure's public service program for many years. Emphasis over the last 15 years on service as a neutral in mediations and arbitrations of complex business disputes.

#### **IV. General pertinent experience:**

V. Advisory Board of the World Arbitration and Mediation Report, Juris Publishing; U.S. Council for International Business, Arbitration Committee; full member Society of Professionals in Dispute Resolution (SPIDR); included in The International Who's Who of Commercial Arbitrators (Internet edition); CPR Commission on the Future of Arbitration (1999-2000); AAA Securities Arbitration Task Force, chair of Committee on Awards (1992); Advisory Committee on N.Y. State Court ADR Program; Judge, Private Adjudication Center, Duke University. He has spoken on the subject of mediation and/or arbitration to a wide array of professional and bar association groups, corporate legal departments and law school classes, as well as to groups such as the legal department of the Navy.

Selected as mediator and/or arbitrator in an array of complex business disputes involving, among other things, mergers, acquisitions and contested dissolutions, including an attempt to force the dissolution of a \$100 million limited partnership; claims of mismanagement against the managing agent of a large number of New York City office buildings; a claim that a power company's negligence caused a blackout which damaged and shut down a large factory and led to a substantial loss of corporate profits; claims arising from large investments in oil and gas limited partnerships; valuation of a corporation; alleged breach of a contract to purchase 400 oil wells; a 50% shareholder's disability and withdrawal from a corporation which manufactured aircraft components; a claim that a large volume of high security paper used for currency was defective; alleged deception in connection with sales of large numbers of corporate owned life insurance policies; asserted breach of a contract to manufacture and deliver 500 rapid transit cars; reorganization of a computer software company in light of serious differences among the principals; alleged breach of a joint venture to manufacture and sell pickup trucks in Argentina; termination of a major real estate franchise in Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore; alleged breach of a contract to lease certain jet planes; failure to deliver several large shipments of crude oil; and claims related to a partner's withdrawal from a major law firm.

#### **V. Mediation training:**

He participated in the training required to be a mediator in the mediation program of the federal district court, Southern District of New York. This was two full days of training in December, 1993. The program sponsor was the Center for Public Resources. In 1996, he had two full days of mediation training by the American Arbitration Association. He has participated as an instructor in American Arbitration Association mediation training programs. In addition, he has mediated for the American Arbitration Association, the Center for Public Resources and he has served as a mediator in the New York State Court mediation program.

**VI. Pertinent bankruptcy training:**

Adversary proceeding on behalf of Trustee of Argo Communications Corp. against Centel Corp. (BR, S.D.N.Y. No. 91-5237 (FGE)); various adversary proceedings on behalf of Trustee of Harvard Knitwear, Inc. (BR, S.D.N.Y. No. 189-43696-353).

**VII. General pertinent business or legal experience:**

Awards for highest grades in eight separate law school courses; Law Review Editor, 1964-65; Editor, co-author, "Donovan Leisure ADR Practice Book", John Wiley & Sons, 1991, which received CPR's award and honorarium for best dispute resolution book of the year; Author "Managing the Large Complex Case", DISPUTE RESOLUTION JOURNAL, American Arbitration Association, April, 1996; numerous litigation, arbitration and mediation articles over past 10 years in NEW YORK LAW JOURNAL, NATIONAL LAW JOURNAL and elsewhere; Author, various chapters, "ADR Techniques, Corporate Counsel's Guide", Business Laws, Inc., 1989; Chapter Author, "ADR in the Construction Industry", John Wiley & Sons, 1991; Board of Editors, AAA's ADR CURRENTS.