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I. Professional	Accrediting Agency or Jurisdiction	Date of Admission
	New York State	June 25, 1975
	SDNY & EDNY	February 3, 1976
	Second Circuit Court of Appeals	September 23, 2003

II. Professional Organization	Date of Admission	Active/Inactive
New York City Bar Association		2001 - Present
Chair, Committee on Foreign & Comparative Law		2005-2008
Council on International Affairs		2005 – Present
Chair, Subcommittee on Islamic Law		2005 – Present
American Branch of the International Law Association		
Chair, Islamic Law Committee		2011 – Present
American Bar Foundation		
Fellow		2011 - Present

III. General professional experience:

Associate, Fried, Frank and Shearman & Sterling – 1974-1983, focusing on, in order, bankruptcy, securities law, cross-border and sovereign finance and restructuring and then bankruptcy again.

Manufacturers Hanover – VP & Head of Special Loan Group of Leasing Corporation and VP & Senior Counsel of Trust Company

Paribas Corporation – Director of Corporate Restructuring

Carvel Corporation – Manager of Discontinued Operations

Partner, Windels, Marx, Davies & Ives and Morrison & Foerster – Headed Workout & Bankruptcy Department in New York

Robert E. Michael & Associates PLLC -- Managing Member of boutique law firm

IV. General pertinent experience:

After spending over 4 years as a bank finance associate at Shearman & Sterling in New York and Paris, I have devoted most of my time in dealing with troubled companies and countries. I believe I am the only person to have headed a workout/reorganization/bankruptcy Department in a law firm, a commercial bank and an investment bank. Have represented clients, mostly offshore entities, and argued cases throughout the country as well as in the SDNY and EDNY Bankruptcy Courts, the SDNY, the Ninth Circuit BAP and the Second Circuit, along with commercial litigation in New York Supreme Courts in New York, Kings, Nassau and Orange Counties.

V. Mediation training:

Institute for Conflict Management, Inc. f Mediation Training & Conflict Resolutions Skills Course sponsored by the SDNY Bankruptcy Court, completed June 28, 1994.

VI. Pertinent bankruptcy training:

Various CLE courses and 38 years of practice.

VII. General pertinent business or legal experience:

As a practitioner who spent 17 years first on the business and financial side of workouts and bankruptcies and then 20 more years combining that with a very active litigation practice, I have seen an enormous cross-section of issues and their failures and successes. Having, e.g., represented Citibank on the Manville Corp. Creditors Committee and chaired a creditors' committee in the United States Lines Chapter 11, and recently represented a NYSE company based in India in the Chapter 11 case of the U.S.'s second largest private mortgage lender in Tucson, Arizona, and a Taiwanese electronics manufacturer acquiring a major electric blanket manufacturer out of Chapter 11 in Portland, Maine, I have been involved in every aspect of dealing with troubled situations, in particular those that involve cross-border issues.

In addition, having been a commercial banker, investment banker and business consultant, I have a deep understanding of financial matters. In fact, as an Adjunct Professor at Pace Law School, I teach an L.L.M. course entitled "Law and Finance." Therefore, mediations involving complex financial and/or international issues would be well within my professional experience and scope. This would be especially the case to the extent that matters governed by or touching upon Islamic law are involved, as I chair two of the few Islamic law Committees in this country and have lectured extensively on Islamic finance matters, including regularly at the United States Military Academy at West Point, and to the Ambassadors of the 58 Member States of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (now the Organization of Islamic Cooperation) at the United Nations.