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LEGAL EXPERIENCE:
October, 2001-December 31, 2009 (Date of Retirement): Supervising Attorney for the Ohio Attorney General, Environmental Enforcement Section, Ohio Department of Natural Resources ("ODNR") Unit: Actively participated in a wide variety of litigation and non-litigation matters for approximately thirteen ODNR Divisions and Offices including the Division of Mineral Resources Management that oversees coal mining, industrial mining and oil and gas production in Ohio. Member of original Attorney General's Alternative Energy Task Force; participant in Ohio Wind Working Group (wind energy) and involved in projects regarding wind energy development on Lake Erie. Defended ODNR and its employees against federal 42 U.S.C. Section 1983 actions, EEOC and OCRC charges and pursued reimbursement for wildlife kills in federal Admiralty Law Limitation of Liability action. Filed civil enforcement actions seeking injunctive and monetary relief in state courts for non-compliance with ODNR's laws and Chief's Orders. Appeared in bankruptcy and probate courts seeking monetary reimbursement. Provided legal advice on bidding procedure for consultant and construction contracts, reviewed contracts and provided various other legal opinions and representation. Reviewed and edited briefs, memoranda, case settlements, advised on trial/hearing strategies, evaluated and oversaw the work of seven Assistant Attorneys General and the unit's Administrative Assistant. Served as a liaison between the Attorney General's Office, ODNR's Administration and Legal Staff and various Divisions. Recipient in 2008 of Attorney General's P.R.I.D.E. Award.

1991-2001: Staff Attorney for the Ohio Attorney General, Environmental Enforcement Section, Ohio Department of Natural Resources Unit assigned to Division of Mineral Resources Management: Represented Division in civil enforcement matters due to non-compliance with Ohio's oil and gas and mining laws including pollution, administrative appeals, bankruptcy and probate matters. Provided non-litigation legal advice to the Division.

1983-1991: Staff Attorney for the Ohio Attorney General Federal Litigation Section: Defended the State of Ohio and state employees in employment discrimination and prisoner rights 42 U.S.C. Section 1983 actions in federal and state courts including as lead counsel in a class action alleging a multitude of constitutional violations at the Orient Correctional Facility.

1976-1983: Staff Attorney for the Ohio Attorney General Claims Section: Personally handled civil litigation for injunctive and monetary relief for workers' compensation and other assessments. Filed and litigated a series of cases against Bureau of Motor Vehicles Deputy Registrars and two surety companies. Appeared in bankruptcy and probate courts. Oversaw collection efforts of special counsel and in-house staff regarding various types of claims owed the State of Ohio. Served, on a part time basis, as Legal Counsel and Assistant Legal Counsel providing legal advice to the Ohio Peace Officer Training Council.

1973-1976: Legal Intern for Ohio Attorney General Claims Section: Legal research, writing and similar activities.

EDUCATION
June, 1976, Juris Doctor Degree, The Ohio State University.
June, 1973, Bachelors of Science in Social Work, The Ohio State University.

ACTIVITIES (ABRIDGED)
Member OSBA Natural Resources Law and Environmental Law Committees; Board of Trustees: Columbus Neighborhood Health Centers (1998-2006) including terms as Secretary and Treasurer; Member City of Columbus, Hilltop Area Commission (1978-1988) including two terms as Chair of Commission and Chair of Zoning Committee.