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Retired General Practice Attorney and Educator | Author
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1956

Earns a Bachelor of Arts in political science from Stanford University.

1956

Serves as a Lieutenant with the U.S. Marine Corps on active duty through 1958 and in the Reserves until 1964.

1961

Earns a Juris Doctor from Stanford University's School of Law.

1962

Spends one year as a legislative intern for the California Assembly's Water Committee; Is admitted to practice law by the State Bar of California.

1962

Is an associate with Creede, Dawson & McElrath in Fresno, CA until 1964, senior partner Frank J. Creede, Jr. being his mentor until retiring as a Judge.

1964

Joins Pettitt, Blumberg & Sherr and is a partner in the firm and successor firms until 1975, senior partner Blaine Pettit being his mentor until retiring as a Judge.

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1975

Becomes a sole general law practitioner in Clovis, CA until 1992; Is a Judge Pro Tem, weekly newspaper columnist & board member of California Trial Lawyers.

1998

Closes his law practice in North Fork, CA and is Of Counsel to a Chapter 13 Bankruptcy Trustee until 2006.

2006

Serves as a staff member of the Greater Fresno Area Chamber of Commerce until 2014.

2016

Publishes Managing Conflict-Strategies to Create & Teach Resolution of Conflict, endorsed by William Ury, Brian Tracy & Vic Conant, among others.

2019

Co-authors Resolving Conflict by Mediation, a Primer.

2021

Is writing Avoiding Conflict, Dinosaur Lawyer (on the exit of the General Practice Attorney) and Irish Boy (his life as a grandson of Irish immigrants).

A Timeline of Professional Milestones