

NEW HAMPSHIRE BAR MEMBERS CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF LAW PRACTICE

—New Admits to the New Hampshire Bar, Fall 1970—



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*NH Bar Members look back
and share advice for the next generation.*

Profiles are based on questionnaires sent earlier this year to New Hampshire Bar members marking 50 years of law practice, and those who responded are included. Responses have been edited for length and clarity.

The unprecedented change that faced new lawyers at the end of the 1960's did not abate with the turn of the decade. 1970 began with the acquittal of the Chicago 7 on charges stemming from the 1968 Democratic conventions, and national riots over the death of Henry Marrow in a race related killing in Oxford North Carolina. 1969 saw a moon landing, but 1970 saw the near tragic explosion of Apollo 13. The Kent State Shootings, Hard Hat Riots, and increasing anti-war protests escalated tensions that spilled over from the previous decade. It was into this environment that our current class of 50-year members entered began their careers.

Times were turbulent in 1970, but also promising. In New Hampshire, a transformation was occurring that saw the mills of Manchester, Nashua, and dozens of smaller cities around the state closing. At the same time, new opportunities were on the horizon with high-tech, electronics, computer industries taking root. The class of 1970 was there to support individuals and industries, and to help navigate the challenges of their time, with devotion to their profession, their families and to their communities.

We celebrate the 50-year Bar members listed in this publication who, like their predecessors, have shared their stories, their wisdom, and their advice on these pages. Our new admittees are entering the practice in times of similar uncertainty, promise and potential. Last year, Dave McGrath noted that, in reading the stories and advice of 2019's 50-year members, "You will undoubtedly note some common themes, such as the importance of civility and community. You will likely also detect genuine humility unaffected by their considerable competence." The same is true this year, and these concepts are as important to our profession as they ever were. Thank you to all of you who contributed, and, On behalf of the New Hampshire Bar Association, congratulations!

—Edward D. Philpot, Jr., President, New Hampshire Bar Association

William S. Boesch



Residence: North Hampton, NH (since 1970)

Hometown: Arlington, Virginia

Family: Wife, Jane Eynon Boesch; Children, William L. Boesch, Esq., Beverly, MA; Jenny Boesch, Concord, NH; Matthew Boesch, Concord, NH; Grandchildren: Smita Boesch-Dining, Concord, NH; Priti Boesch-Dining, Concord, NH; Eli Boesch-Dining, Concord, NH; Owen Brady Boesch, South Hamilton, MA; Innes Brady Boesch, South Hamilton, MA.

Education: AB, The George Washington University; JD, The George Washington University Law School

Military Service: United States Air Force, four years active duty (1967-1971); Total Active and Reserve Duty, 29 1/2 years; Retired Lt. Col.

Areas of Practice: Federal Estate and Gift Taxes; Fiduciary Income Tax; Trust & Estate planning and administration.

Current law firm or employer: Robinson, Boesch, Sennott & Daly, PA

Past law firms or employers: McLane Middleton; Internal Revenue Service Estate Tax Attorney (1973-1967); Office of U.S. Senator E.L. (Bob) Bartlett (D. Alaska) (1959-1967)

Attorney William S. Boesch received his law degree from George Washington University and spent four years in the United States Air Force from 1967-1971. He continued serving as a reservist, retiring after more than 29 years of service as a Lt. Colonel.

"On active duty, I served as a Contracting Officer, arriving at Pease Air Force Base on April 1, 1970, when the Base was actively engaged in bringing the FB-111 into service," he said, explaining that Pease was very busy at this time in the contracting area. "There were challenges every day for me and my 30 plus staff members, both military and civilian. I had no prior experience managing people or programs. I arose at 5:00 each morning, worked at home for several hours, and then long hours at work. I somehow survived all of that, but when I came back as a reservist, I served in the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate where I was challenged to see clients with a wide variety of legal problems (15 - 30 minutes per client)." His most

memorable case, he recalls, involved filing an Estate tax return more than ten years after it was due without an audit at either the federal or state level in Massachusetts. He was told by the Special Administrator at the time that he'd 'pulled a rabbit out of his hat.'

"That was very satisfying," Boesch said.

Boesch, who has worked for McLane Middleton, the Internal Revenue Service and the Office of U.S. Senator E.L. (Bob) Bartlett (D. Alaska) (1959-1967), continues to practice law for Robinson, Boesch, Sennott & Daly, PA. "After twenty-three (almost) years in private practice, my long-time clients need my help and I still enjoy going to the office every day: working with great partners, paralegals, and staff."

Boesch said his love of the law flourished as a tax and estate attorney for the IRS.

When asked who his hero was, Boesch said, Senator Bob Bartlett, who had various staff members who were lawyers or law students. "I followed that pattern," Boesch said. "It was tough going to law school at night. I really came to love the law when working as an estate tax attorney for the IRS. Every case was different, and I was a circuit rider, visiting law firms all over the state. I struck up friendships with great lawyers like Arthur Nighswander, Rob Bass, Charlie DeGrandpre, and Bob Wells, just to mention a few. Those great lawyers (I could add to the list) became my mentors."

Boesch is most proud, he said, of always maintaining an even-handed manner when applying tax law.

"I had a great mentor in the late Albert G. Len, Esq., who took me under his wing and taught me the ropes as an estate tax examiner. He, too, emphasized fairness and balance. I am most proud of the fact that I achieved that in my work for the IRS and provided information and assistance to lawyers and paralegals all over NH, many of whom, I still hear from today."

Boesch has been very involved in his community over the years, serving for nine years on the North Hampton School Board (K-8), School District Moderator, and Town Moderator.

"I think the most meaningful years were those when I was moderating deliberative sessions—again maintaining neutrality and keeping the debates positive and civil. I actually miss that part."

CONGRATULATIONS William S. Boesch



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Nicholas Bull

Residence: Center Lovell, ME

Hometown: Morrison, IL 1945-1963

Family: Children, Elizabeth Bull Placey, Mercer Island Washington; Samuel T. Bull, Esq., Missoula Montana (lawyer married to Huyen-Lam Nguyen Bull) also a lawyer; Whitney Jordan Bull Cromie married to attorney Adam Marshall Cromie, lawyer at Jones Day - Pittsburgh.

Education: Phillips Exeter Academy, 1963; Harvard College, 1967, B.A. Cum Laude; Northwestern University School of Law, 1970, J.D., Cum Laude.

Areas of Practice: General civil practice, including civil litigation. Personal injury, medical malpractice, wealth management, and employment law—both management and employees. Real estate law and environmental permitting.

Current law firm or employer: Nicholas Bull P. C., Lovell, Maine

Past law firms or employers: Thompson, Bull, Furey, Bass and MacColl, Portland Maine - June, 1970 - March 1, 2015

Most memorable case: Everyone he lost (six as he recalls)

For Attorney Nicolas Bull, who earned his J.D. from Northwestern University School of Law in 1970, a B.A. from Harvard in 1967, and graduated from Phillips Exeter in 1963, the law appears to be in his genes. His grandfather practiced for 60 years and his father for 50.

Part of being a lawyer, Bull explains, is the ability to give back to the community. For Bull, this means service work for his alma mater and working closely with his clients.

Bull is proud of the work that he has done over the years, sometimes taking on what he called the "nasty work" that others needed help with.

Attorney Bull practiced law with Thompson, Bull, Furey, Bass and MacColl, in Portland Maine from June, 1970, until March 1, 2015. His most memorable case was, as he says, "Everyone I lost (six as I recall)."

His best advice for new lawyers comes from Satchel Paige, who said, "Don't look back – they might be gaining."

Neil F. Castaldo

Residence: Hanover, NH
Family: Wife, Molly Castaldo; four children
Education: Dartmouth, A.B., 1966; Vanderbilt Law School, J.D., 1970
Areas of Practice: Health Law, Corporate Law
Current law firm or employer: Orr & Reno
Past law firms or employers: Castaldo, Hanna & Malmberg; Hinkley, Allen
Best advice for new lawyers: "Focus first on the 'person-to-person' relationship. Then the lawyer/client and lawyer/opponent issues will be easier to resolve."

After graduating from Vanderbilt Law School in 1970, Attorney Neil Castaldo began practicing law at Hinkley, Allen and Castaldo and later at Orr and Reno, where he continues to practice.

"Fifty years is a meaningful span of time," Castaldo said. When reflecting on his long career, he added, he believes he was able to help his clients solve their problems, "and to point them in a direction that lead them to a resolution and a better place to be."

Castaldo became a lawyer, he said, because he enjoyed the process of sorting through facts, and problem solving.

"It didn't always work out like that, but when it did, it felt great!"

There are people throughout the years who Castaldo credits with providing invaluable insight and wisdom about the law. Some of his mentors include Dudley Orr, Charlie Toll, Ron Snow, Chuck Leahy, and Sherm Horton, as well as Mark McCue, John Malmberg, Peter Burger, and Molly Castaldo.

When asked what success looks like, Castaldo summed it up in a way that might seem strange to those unfamiliar with the relationships established between attorneys and their clients.

"Success for me was the evolution of a client into a friend who was also a client. That's how I measured success," he said, adding, "I hope I did a little good along the way."

Samuel D. Conti

Residence: Frenchtown, NJ
Hometown: Paterson, NJ
Family: Wife, Shirley H. Conti
Education: Seton Hall University, B.A. 1964; Seton Hall University School of Law, J.D., 1970; Fellow, Institute for Court Management, 1971
Areas of Practice: Judicial Administration and Court Management. Admitted to NH (1977), NJ (1970, retired), and US Supreme Court Bars (1980)
Current law firm or employer: Samuel D. Conti, Consultant, Judicial Administration and Court Management
Past law firms or employers: National Center for State Courts; State of Illinois; State of New Jersey



Samuel D. Conti has had a long career as an attorney focused on Judicial Administration and Court Management. He has written and contributed to a stream of papers on a variety of subjects and continues to offer consulting services.

Conti, a former town official in Plaistow, NH, grew up in Paterson, NJ and resides today in Frenchtown, NJ. He graduated from Seton Hall University School of Law in 1970 and was then employed at the National Center for State Courts serving as Regional Director of the Northeastern Regional Office, first in Boston, and later in North Andover, MA. He worked as Administrative Director and as Assistant Administrative Director in Illinois and New Jersey, respectively, after leaving the National Center.

Conti's advice for young lawyers: "Be scrupulously attentive to ethical standards and developing statutory/administrative and case law," he said.

One of Conti's most memorable experiences as an attorney is outlined in a report he contributed to on the Judicial Branch in Nepal. The report was published in the *National Judicial Academy Law Journal* in 2009. It summarizes the result of his visits to Nepal, (a place he said he is very

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The lawyers at Orr & Reno congratulate our former partner and long-time colleague, **Neil Castaldo**, and celebrate his **50-year membership in the New Hampshire Bar Association**.

Neil first came to NH from Cranford, NJ to play basketball at Dartmouth where he captained the team his senior year. He always identified the highlight of his basketball career as taking a charge on Bill Bradley during a game against Princeton. After graduating from Vanderbilt Law School, Neil joined Orr & Reno where he was a highly respected lawyer and trusted advisor to a wide variety of clients, moving to specialize in health care in the 1980's and becoming General Counsel to Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center.

He was an active but understated member of the Concord community in ways as varied as being a regular for many years at YMCA noon time aerobics classes and group runs, helping to found the Friends program and serving a variety of other organizations, including on the NH Humanities Council Board and NH Bar committees. Never one to follow the crowd, since reducing his time practicing law with us, he has a shoe shine stand that he opens once a week in Hanover.

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Samuel D. Conti *continued*

passionate about), over several years, and was funded by the US Agency for International Development through the Asia Foundation. The report details parts of the Judicial Branch of government as it was taking shape under a new Constitution and makes suggestions for ways the courts could be organized, as well as providing content for education and training programs for judges and court support staff.

Conti became a lawyer because he wanted to contribute to the growth and improvement of justice systems and their administration. His heroes and mentors were: Edward B. McConnell, Esq., President, National Center for State Courts; Hon. Frank Rowe Kenison, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of New Hampshire; Hon. Paul C. Reardon, Associate Justice, Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts; Hon. Lawrence Cooke, Chief Judge, Court of Appeals of New York; Hon. Robert Wilentz, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of New Jersey; Hon. Robert N. C. Nix, Chief Justice, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Hon. Samuel Larner, Judge, Appellate Division, Superior Court of the State of New Jersey; Hon. Howard Ryan, Associate Justice, Supreme Court of Illinois; and Robert D. Lipscher, Esq., Administrative Director, New Jersey Courts.

Thomas E. Craig

Residence: Manchester, NH

Hometown: Manchester, NH

Family: Wife, Donna Craig; Children, Matthew, Meredith, Thomas

Education: Saint Anselm College, 1965; Boston University Law School, 1970

Military Service: New Hampshire National Guard

Areas of Practice: Injury Law

Current law firm or employer: Thomas Craig PA

Past law firms or employers: Thomas Craig PA

Most memorable case: *Bonte v Bonte* established the right of viable fetus to sue for injuries.

New Hampshire Attorney Thomas Craig says he is surprised that "50 years have come and gone so quickly." He said he never considered being an attorney as a job, "but more of a pleasurable hobby."

"Fortunately for me, the practice of law has been a lifetime of enjoyment." It wouldn't be an overstatement to say that Craig, born and raised in Manchester, has given more than his fair share of time and energy back to the city of his birth. Craig graduated from Saint Anselm College in 1965 and Boston University Law School in 1970. After this he went to work for 12 years at a general practice firm.

During law school, Craig balanced his time studying while also serving as a member of the National Guard.

"It was always with the underlying understanding that I could be called to active duty," he said. "The Vietnam War was pending. Most of my army friends were called to active duty, but, for some reason, I was left to finish school."

Craig's choice of law was shaped by his father who entered practice in Manchester in 1928.

"He was an active trial practitioner until his death in the mid-1960s," Craig said. "And I stood in wonderment how he could raise and support a large family, be active in politics, and at the same time, conduct an active and admirable trial practice for those many years."

Craig says he takes great pride in his family. It was and is with great pride partaking and observing their upbringing and professional development.

When he's not practicing law, Craig is committed to his community through a number of committees and organizations. He is a former Chair of the NH Bar Association's Client Indemnity Fund as well as former member of the NH Bar's Committee on Cooperation with the Courts. He has been the director of the Manchester Boys Club, the Manchester YMCA, and the Manchester Industrial Counsel. He has also been president and director of the Amoskeag Rowing Club and the NH Trial Lawyers Association (now NH Association of Justice).

His best advice for new lawyers: "Prepare every case as if trial is a certainty."

Daniel D. Crean

Residence: Pembroke, NH

Hometown: Shorewood, WI

Family: Wife, Dianne; Stepchildren: Lisa, Tony, Christina

Education: Yale, BS, 1967; University of Wisconsin Law, JD, 1970

Areas of Practice: Municipal Law

Current law firm or employer: Retired

Past law firms or employers: Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau, NH Office of Legislative Services, NH Municipal Association, Crean Law Firm, NH Public Risk Management Exchange

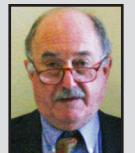
Most memorable case: All of them

Daniel D. Crean's best advice for new lawyers is simple: "Listen."

Crean, whose hometown is Sherwood, WI, graduated with a B.S. from Yale University in 1967 and a J.D. from Wisconsin Law in 1970.

A municipal law attorney, Crean has practiced with a number of organizations over his long career and has been a volunteer in local government in many capacities for many years.

He is most proud, he says, of "Gaining the respect of my peers."

Henry J. Dane

Residence: Concord, MA

Hometown: New York, NY

Family: Several

Education: Haverford College, University of Pennsylvania, Harvard Law School

Areas of Practice: Academic and medical employment, real estate

Current law firm or employer: Dane Brady & Haydon, LLP

Past law firms or employers: Hale & Dorr (Wilmer-Hale)

Most memorable case(s): *Dane v. Registrars*, 374 Mass. 152; *Cadles of Grassy Meadows v. Melcher et al.* Middlesex Superior 2013-P-1357

"When in doubt, do nothing," Attorney Harold J. Dane says, providing his best advice for new lawyers and adding, "Always let the other guy think he won, and when speaking, keep your hands out of your pockets."

"The whole 50 years seems like just yesterday," he says.

"I wanted to do something interesting and challenging that would be of service to people of all circumstances," Dane says, speaking about the reason he became an attorney. Two of the mentors he recalls with fondness are Professor Raoul Berger and the Honorable Robert Braucher.

One of Dane's proudest moments in his career involved bringing the Massachusetts Democratic Party into compliance with the original State and Federal Campaign Finance and reporting laws as its Treasurer in 1977-1981.

Over his long career, Dane has served as the President of the Rotary Club of Concord (MA) and President of the Concord (MA) Rod and Gun Club. He has also served for numerous non-profit organizations involving poetry writing and scholarships for potential military aviators, served on various boards and committees, and Co-chaired the Ethics Section of the Massachusetts Real Estate Bar Association.

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Average income per year... \$9,870

Average cost of a new car... \$3,542

Average monthly rent... \$108

Cost of a gallon of regular gas... \$0.36

Cost of a slice of pizza... \$0.35

R. David DePuy

Residence: Candia, NH

Hometown: Upper Saddle River, NJ

Family: Children, Wendy S. DePuy, Thomas J. DePuy, Hartley J. Seo, Julia M. DePuy

Education: Ramsey High School; Lehigh University; Boston University Law School

Areas of Practice: Litigation

Current law firm or employer: McLane Middleton

Past law firms or employers: McCutcheon, Black, Verleger & Shea, Los Angeles, California

Attorney David DePuy, a graduate of Lehigh University and Boston University Law School, has some sound advice for new lawyers.

"Have as much fun as you can, and as my parents said to me, if you lose, just ask yourself: 'Did you do your best? If so, don't worry about it. You did all that you could.'"

DePuy, who grew up in Upper Saddle River, N.J., said he dreamed of being a lawyer since he was a young boy watching Perry Mason and recalled the respect his parents had for their lawyer Otto Saalfeld, Jr. During his professional career as a litigator, DePuy's mentors have included some of the most highly respected lawyers in New Hampshire.

"My mentors at McLane Middleton have included: Charlie DeGrandpre, John R. McLane, Jr., Stanley M. Brown, Arthur A. Greene, Harriet Mansfield, Jack Middleton, and John Graf."

Over the past 50 years, DePuy said there have been many memorable cases, but two of the most memorable cases were: *Constance Pappas v. Cheshire Medical Center, et al.*, tried with Robert Jauron and *Karin Smith v. Derry Medical Center, et al.*, tried with Paul Chant and Scott Harris.

Professionally, DePuy said, he is most proud of being actively involved in the New Hampshire Trial Lawyers Association for many years (now the NHAJ) and serving for twenty years on the board of the New Hampshire Public Defender.

DePuy's career as an attorney has always demonstrated a commitment to the community around him. He has long been a supporter of the New Hampshire Furniture Masters Association and has been a member of the Raymond Area Rotary Club. For over 30 years, he has also been a legal advisor to the Greater Manchester Black Scholarship Foundation as well as serving for three years as a member of the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Candia.

When asked how he felt about reaching the 50-year milestone, DePuy said, that he is still practicing law, but that "Fifty years have gone by awfully fast and they're not slowing down."

Christopher D. Dye

Residence: Hanover, NH

Hometown: Rochester, NY

Family: Wife, Kesaya E. Noda



Education: BA, Haverford College, Haverford, PA (1962-1966); JD, Cornell University Law School (1967-1969).

Areas of Practice: Criminal defense and civil litigation in state and/or federal courts; general practice, including probate, land use and development; state and federal appeals.

Current law firm or employer: Retired on June 30, 2016.

Past law firms or employers: Legal Aid Defender Society, Kansas City, MO; Crane & Inker, Boston, MA; Office of Thomas C. Troy, Dorchester, MA; Office of Frank Mahady, Hartford, VT; Leahy, Denault, Connair & Hodgman, Claremont, NH.

Most memorable case: *USA vs James Christian Bond* (formerly named Walter Billings) in federal court in Tucson, Arizona in 1977. Bond was charged with criminal drug distribution.

Christopher D. Dye received his JD from Cornell Law School in 1969 and went on to practice law in the states of Missouri, Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

After law school Dye worked for the Legal Aid Defender Society in Kansas City, Missouri, where he worked with two of his heroes, William O. Douglas and Willard B. Bunch.

"Douglas and Bunch ran the public defender's office in Kansas City where I worked," Dye said, adding, "that it was these men who taught me

Congratulations David DePuy and Susan Leahy



From everyone at McLane Middleton, we congratulate you on 50 influential years with the New Hampshire Bar.

We are proud to have you as part of the McLane Middleton family and thank you for your years of guidance, friendship, and commitment to the community.

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how to try cases, including the vital maxims: 'Never ask a question of a witness for which you do not already know the answer,' and 'Everything you do in a courtroom trying a case must relate forward to your closing argument."

Dye said he became a lawyer because of the respect he had for his father's and grandfather's work that he observed growing up in Rochester, NY.

"My father, Stanley M. Dye, and my grandfather, Marvin R. Dye, were both professionals, my father was a CPA and my grandfather was a judge who sat on the New York State Court of Appeals for twenty-one years," he said. "In the summer of 1963, I had completed my freshman year in college and had no money. My father came to the rescue by giving me a horrible, difficult, and dangerous menial job in a glass factory. When I complained, he said, 'You need to know what life will be like without college and graduate degrees.' He was so right!"

One of Dye's proudest professional achievements was filing and winning a motion to suppress, with his colleague Tommy Torry, in *USA vs James Christian Bond* (formerly named Walter Billings) in federal court in Tucson, Arizona in 1977. Bond was charged with criminal drug distribution.

"By a stroke of amazing luck, we had acquired the Feds' entire file in the case, which permitted us on cross examination to impeach the false testimony of DEA agents," Dye said. "After we won the motion, we went to the best post-victory bash I've ever attended, in a place called 'The Smuggler's Inn.'"

Dye, who retired in 2016, has done a significant amount of pro bono work and volunteered on the board of his local library in Plainfield, NH. He is currently a member of the Claremont NH Kiwanis Club, which raises money for young children.

When asked how he feels about reaching this 50-year milestone Dye expressed a sense of surprise and fulfillment.

"I am surprised by the feeling of fulfillment I have when looking back over my past career," he said, "When I was in law school, which was terrifying, and then in my early practice, which was even more terrifying, I never thought the law would ever become enjoyable, but it was, for years."

Richard E. Galway

Residence: Bedford, N.H.

Hometown: Manchester, N.H.

Family: Wife, Anita Galway; Children, Brendan Galway, Aralee Galway; Daughter in Law, Nicole Galway; Grandchildren: Jack & Ryan Galway

Education: B.A., University of New Hampshire; Fulbright Scholar to England; J.D., Boston University Law School

Areas of Practice: General Civil Trial Practice and Worker's Compensation

Current law firm or employer: Retired from N.H. Supreme Court and presently doing mediation under Galway Mediation

Past law firms or employers: Devine, Millimet & Branch for 25 years; The N.H. Superior Court for approximately ten years; the N.H. Supreme Court for approximately six years.

Most memorable case: Determining the constitutionality of the state-wide property tax for educational purposes.



Richard E. Galway, a Fulbright Scholar to England and a graduate of Boston University Law School, served as a New Hampshire Supreme Court Justice for six years. He retired from that position in 2009.

Then Governor John Lynch had this to say about Galway: "Justice Galway has shown an in-depth knowledge of the law and a keen intellect."

Before becoming a Supreme Court Justice, Galway spent 25 years at Devine, Millimet & Branch and 10 years as a Superior Court judge. When asked about this 50-year milestone, he had the following response.

"I really cannot believe that it has been fifty years since my graduation from Law School and admission to the Bar. Perhaps it is because my career was really broken into three parts: Law practice at Devine, Millimet & Branch, my years on the Superior Court and my great fortune to have served on the Supreme Court, or it just may have been that I have thoroughly enjoyed my work over the years and had a lot of fun and satisfaction in doing it."

Galway's choice to become a lawyer was made when he was studying in England. It was there that he decided he wanted to return to New Hampshire and become involved in the legal community. Some of his mentors include his partners at Devine, Millimet & Branch, in particular, Don Dufrene, Joseph Millimet, and Norman Stahl.

"I really feel that I learned how to become the type of lawyer I wanted to be from these distinguished gentlemen and friends."

Justice Galway has written two books in the N.H. Practice Series involving the practice of Worker's Compensation Law in N.H. He said he was honored to receive awards from the Trial Lawyers Association, the N.H. Bar Association and the Manchester Bar Association which mean a lot to me.

Some of Galway's recent work has involved serving on the University System of N.H. Board of Trustees where he was the chairman.

"It was a wonderful opportunity to see the relationship of the students, administrators, legislators, citizens and governors working to provide the best public education possible to our students. It was a work in progress, but very rewarding."

Galway's advice to new lawyers is to "appreciate the ability you have as a result of your admission to the Bar, to influence the direction that N.H. will take in all important social matters, and to help others."

Thomas J. Hammond

Residence: Osprey, FL

Hometown: Manchester, NH

Family: Wife, Kathy Hammond; Children, Thomas Hammond, Amy Comey, Erin Hammond



Education: B.A., St. Anselm College, 1963; East West Center, University of Hawaii A.M 1965; J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, 1965; Tokyo Law School, 1964; Ateneo de Manilla Law School, 1964; Indian Law Institute, New Delhi, 1965.

Areas of Practice: Criminal, personal injury, estate planning

Current law firm or employer: Retired

Past law firms or employers: Sole practitioner

Most memorable case: Home invasion in Gilford, NH. Three subjects invade a private home. He represented one of the defendants who believed her daughter was being harmed by the ex-husband. A jury found her not guilty.

Thomas Hammond resides in Osprey, Florida today but he still spends his summers in New Hampshire, where he was a professor of law at St. Anselm College for 36 years.

Before entering academia, Hammond served as a special agent in the Federal Bureau of Investigation. One of his memorable cases involved being assigned to the bank robbery and sky jacking squad at the New York city office. His squad, he said, was featured in the movie "Dog Day Afternoon," starring Al Pacino.

Professor Hammond has had a dynamic career that crosses between education and the practice of law. He has been an acting prosecutor in Manchester, Chair of the Police commission, a member of the New Hampshire Adult Parole Board, and the founding director of the New England Arson Seminar where he served for 36 years. He has also established a scholarship for New England public safety officials at Saint Anselm College and been a member of the Blue Mass Committee of the Catholic Diocese of Manchester. He became a lawyer out of a desire to help people. David Nixon was a very close friend and mentor.

As for advice to new attorneys, Hammond said: "Give back by volunteering in your community."

Ernest A. Jette



Residence: Nashua, NH

Hometown: Nashua, NH

Family: Wife, Dr. L. Cindy Theroux-Jette; Children, Alexandra B. Jette



Education: Boston College, B.A. (Economics); J.D.

Military Service: Captain, U.S. Army Reserve

Areas of Practice: While on active duty in the army, he was assigned to Post Legal Assistance at Fort Eustis, Virginia, drafting wills for soldiers on their way to Vietnam. After he was discharged, he worked for Southern N.H. Legal Services, which became N.H. Legal Assistance, representing low-income clients. He then went into a general private practice eventually concentrating on civil litigation. He'd been a court-certified mediator since the program began. Now, as his friends have become older, he is once again mostly doing wills and trusts, and mediation.

Current law firm or employer: Attorney Ernest A. Jette, PLLC

Past law firms or employers: Southern N.H. Legal Services; N.H. Legal Assistance; Janelle, Nadeau & Jette; Hamblett & Kerrigan.

Attorney Ernest A. Jette was born and raised in Nashua and has continued to remain committed to his community and his country over his 50 years as a lawyer. When asked how he feels about reaching the 50-year milestone and whether he is still practicing law, he said:

"I can't believe that it has been 50 years! Yes, I am still practicing. I don't know what else to do."

Jette received his B.A. in economics as well as his J.D. from Boston College and later served in the U.S. military, beginning with ROTC in 1963.

"When I went to college in 1963, there was still compulsory service (the draft) and there was a general feeling of obligation to serve the country in the military. I joined ROTC because I wanted to serve as an officer. (It also helped pay my way through school.) I wore the uniform with pride," Jette said. "As the years went on and our involvement (and casualties) in Vietnam increased, more and more people questioned the justification of the war."

In his senior year, Jette said there were more and more protests on campus and that people did not distinguish between the leaders responsible for sending young soldiers to war and keeping them in the war and those in uniform who had little choice in the matter.

"Some people directed their anger at us. I put my uniform on just before ROTC classes and drills and took it off immediately after," Jette said. "When I graduated and was commissioned in 1967, it was at the height of the war. I was lucky to get a delay from active duty to go to law school. Most of my classmates were not so lucky. Most of them went to Vietnam. All were injured in some way. Some of them died."

In his last semester of law school, Jette recalled anti-war protests becoming so prevalent that a lot of schools including his own went on strike and were shut down.

"When I went on active duty, my orders were for about six months in the U.S., followed by a year in Vietnam. But after three months, there began a reduction in force,

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and I was sent home to the reserves. I did not have to go to Vietnam. I was very lucky."

As a Captain in the U.S. Army Reserve, Jette was assigned to Post Legal Assistance at Fort Eustis, Virginia, drafting wills for soldiers on their way to Vietnam. After this, he was discharged, and worked for Southern N.H. Legal Services, which became N.H. Legal Assistance, representing low-income clients. He then went into a general private practice eventually concentrating on civil litigation.

"I've been a court-certified mediator since the program began. Now, as my friends have become older, I am once again mostly doing wills and trusts, and mediation."

Jette said he became a lawyer because, from a young age, he saw lawyers as wise and honorable counselors who helped provide justice for people.

"I grew up with the children of Louis Janelle, who was a lawyer in Nashua and became U.S. Attorney for New Hampshire. He served in the N.H. legislature and on the Nashua Board of Aldermen. He was a candidate for mayor and Executive Council. He had an excellent reputation as a good and honest man. I wanted to be like him."

Jette and Janelle eventually became law partners. He also cites Joe Kerrigan, the senior partner at Hamblett & Kerrigan, where he was a partner for many years, as an excellent trial lawyer and someone he learned a lot from.

Jette's commitment to his clients as an attorney has run parallel with service to his community. He was elected to Nashua's Board of Alderman in 2017 and re-elected in 2019. He has served as the Chairman of the Nashua Regional Planning Commission, President of the Nashua Rotary Club, member of the Nashua Bar Association, and the Nashua Youth Council. Jette has also served as Director of the Greater Nashua Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Nashua Mental Health Center; volunteer to the Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter, Corpus Christi Food Pantry & Assistance, Habitat for Humanity, and Home Health & Hospice Care; member of Boston College University Chorale, Symphony NH Chorus, Nashua Choral Society, and church choir; coach for the Nashua Youth Soccer League; and member of Immaculate Conception Parish Council.

One of Jette's biggest achievements over the years has been earning the trust of his clients and colleagues.

His best advice for new lawyers, he said, is to "Obey the golden rule: treat others (including clients, the courts, and other lawyers) the way you yourself would like to be treated."

Mary Susan Leahy

Residence: Concord, NH

Family: Spouse, Chuck Leahy (deceased 2014), stepmother of Chuck Leahy's five children, Siobhan Ulrich, Chuck Leahy Jr., Matt Leahy, Susie Leahy, and Jon Leahy.

Education: Mount Holyoke College, A.B. economics, 1966; Boston University School of Law, J.D., 1970

Areas of Practice: General practitioner for many years. Present practice includes estate planning, estate and trust administration, real estate law and business planning.

Current law firm or employer: McLane Middleton, P.A., since 2006.

Past law firms or employers: Orr & Reno, P.A., 1971-2006; New Hampshire Supreme Court, 1970-1971

Mary Susan Leahy, a graduate of Boston University School of Law, was the only woman in her bar class.

"I didn't have a female attorney to look up to and to learn from," she says. "I did, however, have Dudley Orr and the man who would become my husband, Chuck Leahy. They were inspiring mentors. And Frank Kenison took a chance on a woman to be his law clerk!"

As a young lawyer, Leahy recalls a memorable case that she remains proud of. The case involved female employees against Public Service Company of New Hampshire which is now Eversource Energy.

"The class action case settled short of trial with Public Service Company of New Hampshire making significant changes to job titles, job classifications and hiring and promotion procedures company wide."

Leahy has been involved with numerous community service projects and boards throughout her career.

She has served on two hospital boards, President of the Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce and NHBA Foundation Board. She was also a founding member of the NH Feminist Health Center as well as Chair of the NH Charitable Foundation.

Her advice for new lawyers comes from years of experience: "Slow and steady wins the race."



Curtis W. Little, Jr.



Residence: North Falmouth, MA

Hometown: Lived during most of my legal career in Bedford, NH.

Family: Wife, Alice DeSouza; Son, Scott

Education: Dartmouth College and Yale Law School

Military Service: Two years in the Army (attended ROTC in College)

Areas of Practice: Corporate banking and securities

Current law firm or employer: Cook, Little, Rosenblatt & Manson, PLLC

Past law firms or employers: Nixon, Hargrave, Devans & Doyle (n/k/a Nixon Peabody) in Rochester, New York and the Lake Placid Olympic Organizing Committee in Lake Placid, New York.

Attorney Curtis W. Little Jr. earned his law degree from Yale University and spent most of his career living in Bedford, NH where he practiced in the areas of corporate, banking and securities. He is currently working for Cook, Little, Rosenblatt and Manson, PLLC.

"I have found that the attorneys I have worked with through the years (both as partners and as adversaries) have in the vast majority of instances, while focused on representing their clients in the best way they saw fit, have acted in good faith and could be relied upon to keep their word," he says, adding that, "I have also always found it better off when representing a client if the other side is well represented. Some of the most difficult situations that I have dealt with involved persons who were unrepresented or poorly represented."

When asked about reaching the 50-year milestone, Little, who is still working "of counsel" at his firm, said, "it's hard to believe, or accept, that I have been practicing law for 50 years."

Little served two years as an officer in the Army, including one year in Vietnam as an adviser to Vietnamese militia forces. "I felt those two years were a valuable experience in terms of growth as an individual and learning to deal with adversity," he said.

Looking back at his choice to become an attorney, Little said it is hard to remember exactly why he became a lawyer, "except that *continued*

Congratulations Curt Little



We congratulate Curt Little on the remarkable accomplishment of practicing law with excellence for 50 years. Our firm is fortunate to have Curt's extraordinary guidance, expertise, and friendship.

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Curtis W. Little, Jr. *continued*

I majored in government in college and practicing law seemed a logical extension of that interest."

"That being said," Little continued, "I never anticipated I would wind up practicing corporate law."

Regarding his heroes and mentors, Little said that while he never practiced with Kimon Zachos, or handled any matters with him as an attorney, "Kimon was someone who, in my later years, was both a close friend and valued consultant on a broad range of matters, both legal and otherwise."

Walter L. Mitchell

Residence: Lower Gilmanton, NH

Hometown: Glen Ridge, NJ

Family: Wife, Carol; four children and six grandchildren

Education: Yale University, Boston University Law School

Areas of Practice: Municipal

Current law firm or employer: Mitchell Municipal Group, P.A. - 25 years

Past law firms or employers: Nighswander, Martin & Mitchell, P.A.

Walter Mitchell, who resides in Lower Gilmanton, cites luck as the reason he has not retired after 50 years.

"Fifty years have passed, and I have not retired," he says, "Why not? Because I have been lucky—I enjoy what I do in my professional life. I enjoy the stimulation, warmth, generosity of spirit, and quirkiness of the people I work with and the clients that we serve."

He credits his long career to the civility and courtesy that he has experienced over the years.

"Further, I have always enjoyed and been impressed with the great civility and courtesy which I have experienced with so many members of our bar and bench. There are many individuals that I could name as examples, but they are but exemplars of an impressive whole. Thank you all."

**Daniel D. Muller**

Residence: Bedford, NH

Hometown: Deerfield, NH

Family: Wife, Ellen Muller; Children, Daniel D. Muller, Jr., Esq., Christopher D. Muller, PhD, Gregory T. Muller, Esq.

Education: University of New Hampshire, BA; Boston University School of Law, JD



Military Service: 1969-1975 Company B, 368th Engineering Battalion, US Army Reserve

Areas of practice: Real Estate, Commercial Finance, Probate

Past law firms or employers: Batchelder and Murphy (Plymouth, NH); solo practice (Plymouth, NH; In house counsel for Land/Vest, Incorporated (Boston, MA); Porter, Hollman and Muller (partner-Manchester, NH; Kfoury and Elliot, (partner-Manchester, NH); Peabody & Brown (NixonPeabody), partner, Manchester, NH office.

"It got here fast," attorney Daniel Muller said, in response to reaching the 50-year milestone.

Muller, a graduate of Boston University School of Law, said he became a lawyer because he likes to help people and enjoys problem solving.

Some of Muller's many heroes and mentors include: Abraham Lincoln, Honorable William F. Batchelder, Honorable Phillip S. Hollman, G.R. Muller (Muller's father), and Clifford B. Titus (Muller's father in law).

Looking over his long career, Muller offers some sound and succinct advice for new lawyers.

"Listen and learn, as law school is only the beginning."

**Congratulations to Walter Mitchell**

Walter is not one for accolades, glory or attention. But on this, his 50th anniversary with the New Hampshire Bar Association, we want to congratulate our colleague, mentor and friend on his many years of practice. Walter's love of the law is something we are honored to see every day, and it is truly a privilege. We look forward to many more years together!

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Vincent A. Murray Jr.

Residence: Hingham, MA

Hometown: Quincy, MA

Family: Wife, MaryAnne Murray; Children, Ross, Stephen, Ryan, Rory

Education: Boston College, BA; Boston College Law School, JD

Military Service: U.S. Army Reserve

Areas of Practice: Business, personal injury, probate and estates, real estate, disability, worker's compensation

Current law firm or employer: Murray Law Office

Past law firms or employers: Sarrouf, Murray & Daley, Counsel for Committee on Insurance, Massachusetts Legislature



Vincent Murray's advice to new lawyers involves hard work and preparation.

"Always remember," he says, "to abide by the canon of ethics, your reputation is so important to your practice, so remember that your practice of law is a marathon and not a sprint."

Murray graduated from Boston College Law School in 1970 and is still practicing law. At 74, he said he has no plans to retire.

"I am 74 years old, and still practicing law and have no plans to retire," he says, adding that "The most satisfaction that I receive in my practice is being able to help people and change their lives for the better."

Murray's decision to become an attorney was influenced by his mother who, he said, always told him she wanted him to become an attorney. He also praises Camille Sarrouf whom he refers to as a mentor.

"I was fortunate to have Camille Sarrouf as my mentor, as he was one of the greatest civil attorneys in the state. His guidance, kindness, advice in the practice of law meant so much to me. I will forever be grateful for the time he spent with me."

Murray has assisted in drafting the nation's first No Fault auto insurance law as counsel for the Massachusetts Insurance Committee, and, in his own practice, he recalled his most memorable case involving a postal employee injured at work.

"In my law practice, I represented a postal employee who was injured at work. It became a bureaucratic nightmare and after 20 years, I prevailed before the National Board in Washington, D.C., and notified the employee shortly before his death."

Murray has coached Youth Baseball in the Town of Hingham for over 35 years and was the manager of the Hingham Legion Baseball Team (Ages 16-19) for 22 years.

Thomas M. Pancoast

Residence: Littleton, NH

Hometown: Ardsley, NY; Lake Worth, FL



Family: Wife, Terrie Lee Pancoast; Children, Jessica Storey (NHBA member), MacLean Nasrallah, Alexandra Johnson; six grandchildren, two step-daughters and four step-grandchildren.

Education: B.E., Vanderbilt University, *magna cum laude* (1966); LL.B., Yale University (1969)

Areas of Practice: General practice in earlier years; office practice now

Current law firm or employer: Solo practitioner since 1973

Past law firms or employers: He built the region's first FM radio station and operated it for 7+ years, although he never stopped practicing law

Thomas M. Pancoast attended Vanderbilt University where he graduated magna cum laude in 1966. After college, he attended Yale Law School graduating in 1969 and moved to Littleton, NH in 1970 where he made his career.

"I decided I wanted to live in the North Country, and being a lawyer was the most feasible way to pull that off. To my surprise, I ended up enjoying it. And I never regretted for a moment adopting Littleton," Pancoast said.

Pancoast's career has been full of colorful cases and interactions with clients, but some of his most memorable cases, he said, rank as follows: his own divorce, his successful defense of a young man caught selling marijuana to undercover state police informants, and a "particularly obnoxious fellow" who had laid claim to a well on his client's land.

"I joke that I lost the custody fight and the final score was 2-1. So, I raised two of my three daughters. Truthfully, this episode adjusted my perspective and led to an enhanced relationship with all three of my daughters of whom I am inordinately proud."

"As to the other cases, Pancoast said, "Permit me to brag."

"The young man was charged with selling some pot to two undercover state police officers (one of whom went on to head the state police) and their informant. He was acquitted by the jury and I thought the ne'er-do-wells would beat a path to my door when word got around, but I never had another request for criminal defense representation. Just as well," he said.

The final case of note for Pancoast involved a rural property dispute, a lot of black flies and a backhoe. The "particularly obnoxious fellow" in question, had "laid claim to a well on my client's land as an implied appurtenance to his 18th century farmhouse. His counsel (since disbarred) requested a view, so counsel, parties and the master were dispatched to the rural location and immediately set upon by black flies. We pointed out a few landmarks of interest and then the rumbling of a backhoe could be heard coming down the road. My adversary proceeded to have his entire front yard dug up to a depth of about 6-8 feet in what was to be a dramatic reveal of an old pipeline leading from his house to the well in issue. The archeology project was abandoned after about an hour of futile excavating, and we adjourned to the old Coös County courthouse where I prevailed."

When asked about how he feels reaching the 50-year milestone, Pancoast said he's "still plugging away."

"It's difficult to say no to people I have known and represented for decades, and their family members and those whom they refer to me," he explained. The profession, or at least being a country lawyer for a long time, becomes an integral part of who you are. By the same token, the profession has changed so radically that I recognize I am becoming an anachronism, so I try to be aware of emerging limitations."

Some of his proudest achievements include serving in the Superior

Court as a regular master in the late 70's and early 80's and his service on the Board of Bar Examiners for 26 years.

Pancoast has some advice for new lawyers that is insightful and focused on the personal side of lawyering.

"Remember that you are a *counselor* to your clients. Remember also that you can always learn from them as well. Keep in mind that this is supposedly a learned profession and that we were trained to employ analytical skills. And be alert to the humor that presents itself almost every day in this business. An occasional chuckle will help keep you sane."

Pancoast has served on the Littleton planning board and school board and as town meeting moderator in the tiny town of Easton where he lived for 5½ years, but, he said, the most meaningful service was his 20 years as "quasi-pro bono counsel" to AHEAD, the predominant developer of affordable housing in the northern half of the state.

Pancoast's biggest achievement, he said, has been his daughters and grandchildren. All three of his daughters are engaged in professional careers in medicine and the law.

"Three remarkable young women, all happily married to terrific men. I couldn't be prouder; they and my grandchildren are my legacy."

Charles C. Platto

Residence: New York, NY

Hometown: New York, NY



Family: Wife, Dr. Lynda Mandell; Children, Jamie, Carey, Jody, Terry

Education: University of Pennsylvania, B.A.; University of Michigan Law School, J.D.; NYU Law School LLM

Areas of Practice: Arbitration, mediation domestic and international commercial and insurance

Current law firm or employer: Law Offices of Charles Platto

Past law firms or employers: Cahill, Gordon & Reindel, New York and Paris; Law Offices of Charles Platto, Vermont and New Hampshire; Wiggin and Dana, New York and Connecticut

Most memorable case: *National Super Spuds v New York Mercantile Exchange* went to the US Supreme Court and *New York Times* distribution cases; Northridge California earthquake and Hurricane Sandy mediations and an XL coverage case that went to the South African Supreme Court

Best advice for new lawyers: "Work hard and honor your values."

Attorney Charles Platto, who says he has always loved the practice of law, continues to work as an arbitrator, mediator and law professor.

When asked how he feels about reaching the 50-year milestone, Platto says, "I have always loved the practice of law, from law school until now. And I'm still practicing as an arbitrator, mediator and law professor."

Platto said he switched from medicine to law in college "when I couldn't get above a C in science and got A's in history."

Platto had been a partner at Cahill Gordon in New York, and then after 20 years, he moved to Vermont to start his own firm. He has been a professor of insurance law for over 25 years at NYU, Vermont and Fordham Law Schools, and an arbitrator/mediator since 2009. He trained all the mediators in NY and NJ for the Hurricane Sandy program.

Gary B. Richardson



Residence: Venice, FL

Hometown: Hopkinton, NH

Family: Wife, Katrina C. Richardson; Son, Justin C. Richardson, Esq.; Daughter, Sarah B. Richardson, Esq.

Education: Boston College Law School

Military Service: US Army

Areas of Practice: Medical malpractice and civil trial work

Current law firm or employer: Retired

Past law firms or employers: Upton & Hatfield, LLP

When looking back at his 50-year milestone, retired Attorney Gary Richardson said he misses the relationship with his clients and colleagues the most.

Richardson, a graduate of Boston College Law School, spent his career at Upton & Hatfield where he specialized in medical malpractice and civil trial work.

His most memorable case, he said, involved a woman he represented who became HIV positive as the result of a blood transfusion.

"This was at a time," he explained, "when the blood banking industry was denying that HIV could be transmitted by blood products. What happened to this woman was tragic." "She consented to allowing a salesperson to be present at a hysterectomy because she was led to believe that the doctor was demonstrating a surgical stapling device to a salesperson. In fact, the salesperson had offered to train the doctor so he could become the first doctor to use this particular device at his hospital." After the stapler

"misfired," Richardson's client was in need of a blood transfusion and, a year later, she was notified that the blood donor had tested positive for HIV. Richardson said that a suit was filed against the manufacturer of the device, the hospital, the doctor, and the blood bank. "Although my client was not gay, she became a strong spokesperson against the prejudice that was shown toward gay men at the time. At the time of trial, she was survived by a devoted husband and two young children. There was not a dry eye in the courtroom, including the judge, the jury, defense counsel and me. She was a wonderful person."

Richardson said he became a lawyer because his mother always told him that she thought he would make a great lawyer. "In my third year of law school, I took an elective trial practice course taught by an adjunct teacher who was a trial lawyer at a large Boston law-firm, and I was hooked. I guess I had always been a plaintiff's trial lawyer at heart."

Richardson served in the Army during the Vietnam War and believes that this war profoundly affected his generation.

"Our generation," he said, "whether you were male or female, whether you personally served in Vietnam or not, whether you believed in serving or you believed in protesting, we were all profoundly affected by the war." His best advice for new lawyers is to "Find what you love to do and work hard to become the best that you can at doing it."

"I think that finding your calling is a great source of self-worth. I was lucky to represent some great clients and have some great cases. There is no greater thrill for me than to win a jury trial in a case that I believed in."

Richardson has been committed to community service, serving as Chair of the Ballot Law Commission for ten years, and on a number of town boards and non-profit organizations as well as Town Moderator for 28 years.

"But nothing," he said, "compared to my eight years in the state legislature. If you are in a position where you can do it, I would highly recommend it."

Brackett L. Scheffy



Residence: Bradford, NH

Hometown: Rochester, NY

Family: Wife, Connie; Children, L. Scheffy, Ariel B. Scheffy

Education: Phillips Exeter Academy, 1961; Boston University, 1967; and Boston University Law School, 1970

Military Service: He was on active duty in the US Navy from 1963-1965.

Areas of Practice: His practice was largely real estate, but with a solo country lawyer's general practice.

Current law firm or employer: He is still self-employed, but so close to being completely retired that the "employed" part is questionable.

Past law firms or employers: He worked for the Boston Legal Assistance Project while in law school and continued to volunteer for it through at least 1975. He was in a small partnership in Boston from roughly 1972 through 1974.

It was the principle of fairness, according to Attorney Brackett L. Scheffy, that stands out regarding his most memorable case. The case was *Adrien Lemire v. Bowlan Lumber Company* (120 N.H. 465 (1980)).

"Adrien came to me long after he was seriously injured as a logger for his brother Roland. The issue, in the case, was the sufficiency of the notice of injury—it had been oral, but it had been clear," Scheffy said, explaining that, "The law, in effect at the time, did not give me optimism, but it did not make sense to my younger self that there could be any fairness in denying a claim based on defective notice when all parties clearly knew exactly what had happened. The insurer was represented by a large Manchester firm; Adrien not so much. The Supreme Court decided correctly." (Douglas, J., for the Court.)

Scheffy, who graduated from Phillips Exeter Academy in 1961 and Boston University in 1967, earned his law degree at Boston University Law School in 1970.

Two years after graduating from high school, Scheffy joined the Navy, where he was a member of the Blue Jackets Choir. He recalled being in bootcamp when the USS Thresher sank during deep-diving tests east of Boston, killing all 129 crew and shipyard personnel aboard.

"Bootcamp for me was when the USS Thresher went down—a day that still saddens me."

Scheffy said bootcamp was easier for him because he passed an audition into the Blue Jackets Choir, which he called, "a high point in my singing career. It meant fewer pushups."

On serving in the military, Scheffy said, "Being in the service creates a

permanent bond with any other veteran—especially a Navy veteran. There is an instant friend and never a lack of memories to share." Scheffy said he became a lawyer after having been influenced by his grandfather.

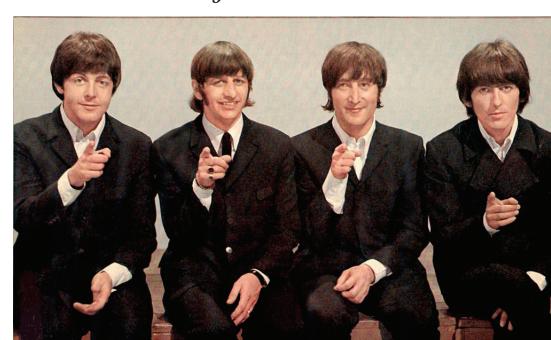
"My grandfather was a lawyer in Boston for his entire adult life and he was a highly influential person in my life. He made me believe no one was more important to him than I was," Scheffy said. "I'm not sure that at the age of 11, when he died, I knew much about what being a lawyer was. I recall a phone call to my mother that warned us he would probably not last more than another day or two. I insisted my mother tell him that I wanted to be a lawyer, thinking that would encourage him to recover. I kept my end of the deal."

Scheffy's involvement in his community has continued throughout his career as an attorney. He has been the Moderator of the Town of Bradford and the Kearsarge Regional School District for nearly forty years as well as various boards including the Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum, New London Hospital, and the Sugar River Bank. Currently, Scheffy is a volunteer at the Friendly Kitchen in Concord and he said that he has done "a great deal of pro bono work." And then, with a sense of humor, "some of it actually intentional."

Over his 50 years as an attorney, Scheffy is proud of the fact that he has always placed his client's needs ahead of his own. When asked how he feels about reaching the 50-year milestone, he said, "I did not need a reminder of longevity."

Remember When... April 10, 1970

*Paul McCartney announces that
The Beatles are breaking up. "Let it Be"
is released as their final album a month later.*



William G. Scott

Residence: Rye, NH

Hometown: Little Falls, NJ

Family: Wife, Naomi Scott; Children, Kerry Pokorny, Josh Scott, Meagan Jannah

Education: Monmouth College; Suffolk University School of Law

Practice area: Business, litigation

Current law firm employer: Boynton, Waldron, Doleac, Woodman & Scott, P.A.

Attorney William G. Scott grew up in Little Falls, New Jersey and attended Monmouth College. He is currently employed at the firm of Boynton, Waldron, Doleac, Woodman and Scott, where he practices business litigation on a reduced scale.

He has served on the Portsmouth City Council, Chaired the Chamber of Commerce and sat on the boards of a number of nonprofits.

His best advice for new lawyers is to remind them "you are bound by your word."

Norman J. Silber

Residence: Gilford, NH



Hometown: Tampa, FL

Family: (Partner, Children): Adult Son, Michael, a web developer

Education: B.A. 1967, Tulane University – major - English; minor-chemistry; J.D. 1969, Tulane University; Admitted to The Florida Bar in 1970; Admitted to the NH Bar in 2007

Areas of Practice: General practice, with emphasis on real estate and corporate matters, but including state & federal litigation, for 40 years in Miami; semi-retired upon moving to NH permanently in 2012 - now limited practice to assisting NH lawyers whose clients have FL matters and issues

Current law firm or employer: Self—semi-retired

Past law firms or employers: Miami office of McDermott, Will & Emery; Miami office of Ruden, McClosky; and other local firms in the Miami market

Attorney Norman J. Silber, who has been very active in the Boy Scouts throughout his life, said he "could not stand the sight of blood," so he chose the law. Yet, reflecting on what advice he would give to new lawyers he said, "You should have gone to medical school, we have too many lawyers and not enough doctors."

That said, Silber is proud of his career in the law, where he practiced state and federal litigation for 40 years in Miami. Since 2012, he has been living in New Hampshire, where he now assists New Hampshire lawyers whose clients have matters pending in Florida.

Silber also served for six years on Grievance Committees of The Florida Bar (probable cause panels) to review ethics complaints against other lawyers.

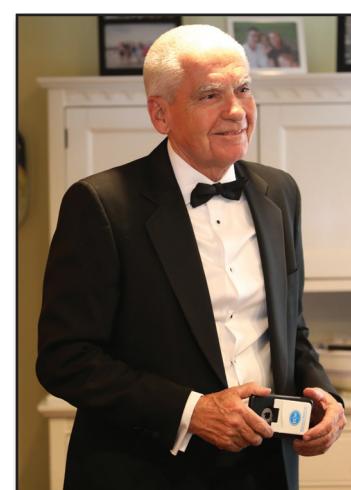
Silber's heroes are Mr. Justice Hugo Black and Mr. Justice Antonin Scalia.

Silber fondly recalls his ability to have helped countless people over the years and said one of his most memorable cases was *Casielles vs. Taylor Rolls Royce*, which was the subject of articles in the *National Enquirer* and *Money Magazine*, case ultimately reported in the Federal Reporter 2d.

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Kurt M. Swenson

Residence: Hopkinton, NH



Hometown: Concord, NH

Family: Wife, Elaine H. Swenson; Children, Todd and Jake Swenson

Education: Concord NH Public schools through 1961; Mt. Hermon School, 1961-1963; Colby College, 1963-1967; BA in Business, Boston College Law School, 1967-1970, J.D.

Areas of Practice: Corporate law with a focus on mergers and acquisitions

Current law firm or employer: Retired

Past law firms or employers: Law Clerk to Honorable Hugh Bownes, US District Court, NH (1970-1971); Associate, Wiggin & Nourie (1971 to 1974); Partner in Wiggin & Nourie (1974- 1983); Chairman and CEO of Swenson Granite Company and all its subsidiaries including Rock of Ages Corporation and Rock of Ages Canada, (1984-2016)

Attorney Kurt M. Swenson spent the majority of his career running the Swenson Granite Company from 1984 until 2016, when he retired as the company's CEO.

Swenson's career in law began somewhat fortuitously. It was his college roommate, he explained, who convinced him to go to law school. At the time, Swenson, who grew up in Concord, was attending Colby College in Maine.

"My college roommate convinced me that since I was a business major, going to The Tuck School for an MBA was a mistake and that I should go to law school for a JD so as to enhance my education and experience," Swenson said, adding that, "Said roommate, dropped out of law school after one semester, went on to get an MBA from Harvard and had a very successful business career."

Swenson did go on to receive his JD from Boston College in 1970 and served in the legal community for thirteen years as a Law Clerk to Honorable Hugh Bownes, US District Court, NH from 1970 to 1971, as an Associate at Wiggin & Nourie from 1970-1971 and as a partner in Wiggin &

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Kurt M. Swenson *continued*

Nourie from 1974 to 1983.

Retirement, Swenson said, has allowed him to dedicate his time to various non-profits, such as The Arthritis Foundation, The Nature Conservancy, The NH Historical Society and the United Way.

When asked what professional achievements he is most proud of, Swenson reflected on his practice of law and his family run business that he dedicated the majority of his career to.

"That's a tough question to answer but I guess it's the simple fact that I enjoyed practicing law a lot for a while and loved being in the business world as a second career," he said. "I guess that I have to be proud that we did not bankrupt or lose the 133-year-old family business and were able to sell it in 2016 for the benefit of many generations of the Swenson family and the company's employees."

Richard F. Therrien

Residence: Pembroke, NH

Hometown: West Side of Manchester, NH. (commonly referred to as Little French Town)

Family: Partner: Nancy L Schwartz; Children: Lisa and Jeffrey

Education: Saint Anselm's College, BA, Philosophy and History; Suffolk University Law School, JD.

Military Service: Drafted in the US Army. Honorable Discharged from 1st Cavalry Division An Khe, Vietnam.

Areas of practice: Concentrated in trial advocacy, real estate, and commercial law.

Attorney Richard Therrien's advice to new lawyers comes from years of experience in trial advocacy, real estate and commercial law.

"Be courteous and accommodating to other lawyers," he says.

Therrien began his career in the NH Attorney General's Office, where he worked from 1970 until 1972. After this, he ran a solo practice until retirement in 2005.

When asked who his heroes were, Therrien said that it was Abraham Lincoln, who he referred to as a "real rascal politician."

Hon. W.H. Dale Townley-Tilson

Residence: Concord, NH

Hometown: Winchester, MA

Family: Wife, Trina, and son, Derek, both deceased; son, Davin, daughter-in-law, Karla, and two grandchildren living in North Carolina.

Education: Boston University, B.S., Engineering; J.D. from Suffolk University Law School

Military Service: United States Air Force

Areas of Practice: Retired, no longer practicing

Past law firms or employers: Perkins and Douglas, State of New Hampshire Legislature, United States Attorney's Office, N.H. Governor's Office, State of New Hampshire Judicial Branch.

Most memorable case: Too many to comment on!

Best advice for new lawyers: Be honest. Be brief and to the point. Be prepared.

Hon. W.H. Dale Townley-Tilson said he became a lawyer because he enjoyed working with people and, "I felt the law was a noble profession." One of the things he is most proud of is having had the honor to serve on the bench.

"I have many fond memories of my years practicing law, especially the friendships established with attorneys and judges through the years," he says.

In the 1960's, Townley-Tilson served in the U.S. Air Force, where he was stationed in the Southwest during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

His community service involvement included serving on several Boards over the years, including the CRVNA and the Police Standards and Training Council.

Hon. Mark W. Vaughn

Residence: Bedford, NH

Hometown: Stamford, CT

Family: Wife, Agnes; Son, Mark Jr.; Daughter, Cathryn

Education: Franklin and Marshall College, 1963; Boston College Law School, JD, 1970

Military Service: U.S. Navy, Officer, Active Duty, 1963-1967

Areas of practice: Commercial law, bankruptcy

Past law firm or employer: Devine Millimet 1970-1993



Judge Mark W. Vaughn's advice for new lawyers is to "be civil to each other" and to "protect the 'rule of law' in this era."

A graduate of Boston College Law School in 1970, Vaughn said he is honored to have reached the 50-year milestone.

"I'm not practicing law at this time. We spend six months in Naples, Florida and six months between Bedford and Alton, NH," Vaughn said.

Vaughn's service in the military began with the Naval OCS the day after the assassination of President Kennedy. He spent three years on the USS Donner out of Little Creek, VA. From there, he rose from the most junior officer to navigator when he left active duty in 1967 to pursue the law.

"I was always interested in the law. I became the legal officer on my ship," Vaughn said. "My heroes and mentors were all the attorneys at Devine Millimet and especially Joe Millimet, Norman Stahl, and John Holland."

Professionally, Vaughn is proud of being elected to the second class of the American College of Bankruptcy and being appointed a U.S. bankruptcy judge by the First Circuit Court of Appeals.

Vaughn lived for 40 years in Mont Vernon, NH where he served on the Town Counsel and as an elected library trustee.

Gary P. Westergren

Residence: Sanbornton, NH

Hometown: Portland, CT

Family: My wife and I have five children and seven grandchildren.

Education: Undergrad: Wesleyan University (1962); Law: Vanderbilt University (1970)

Military Service: U.S. Marine Corps (active duty 1962-67)

Areas of Practice: Primarily civil litigation

Current law firm or employer: NH DCYF staff attorney

Past law firms or employers: Wescott, Millham & Dyer

Attorney Gary Westergren graduated from Wesleyan University in 1962 and Vanderbilt Law School in 1970.

Westergren said he officially retired in 2017, but recently returned to DCYF part time where he has spent over twenty years in the agency's child protection services.

"For me, representing DCYF over the past nearly 20 years in the agency's child protection responsibilities has been very rewarding. I also should mention the many judges regularly involved in those cases who do such a truly outstanding job," Westergren said.

When asked who his most influential mentors have been in his life, Westergren said that it was a difficult question.

"Although it's difficult to pick out just one person among so many truly wonderful people encountered along the way, I will always say that Peter Millham has got to be that person," Westergren said. The most memorable case, he recalls, "was a certain medical malpractice action tried (3 times) with the great Ted Soden on the other side."

When asked about his military service, Westergren looks back with fondness on the friendships he established while serving as a Marine pilot.

"Simply stated, I've always felt privileged to have served," he said. "I was a Marine pilot, which in retrospect was about the best job I've ever had. These days, the continuing close friendships developed in those years are treasured."