

NEW HAMPSHIRE BAR MEMBERS CELEBRATING

50 Years of Law Practice



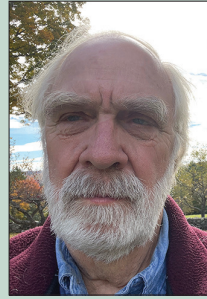
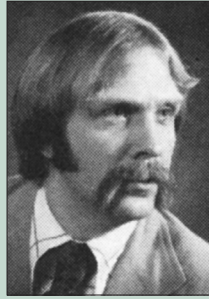
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New Hampshire Bar members look back and share career highlights and advice for the next generation.

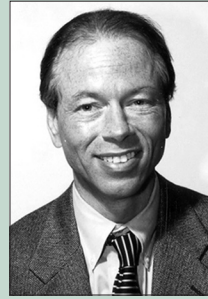
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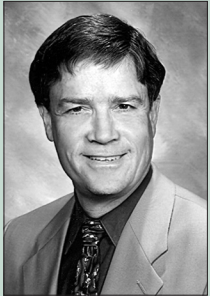
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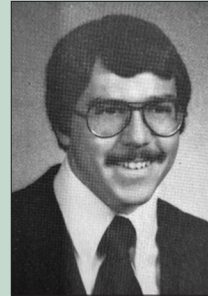
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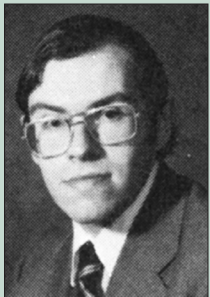
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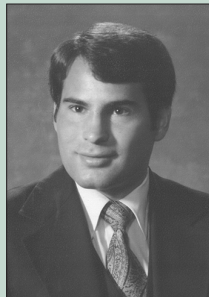
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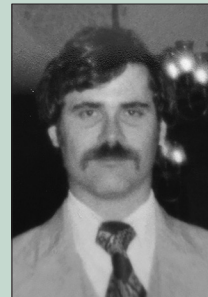
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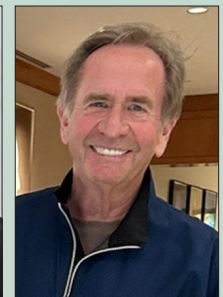
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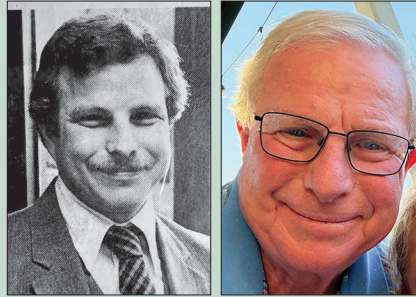


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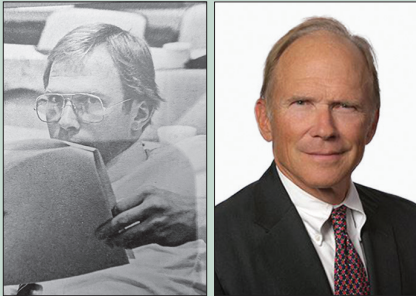
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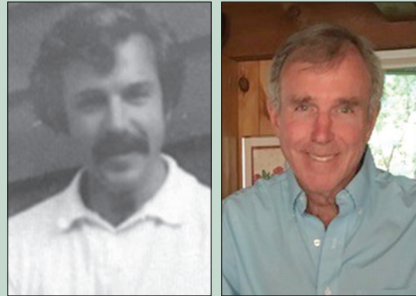
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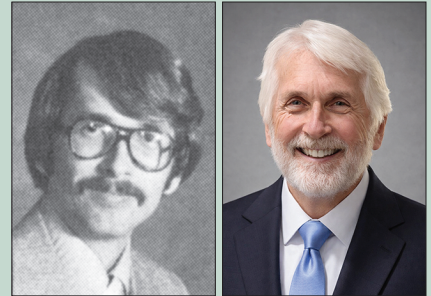
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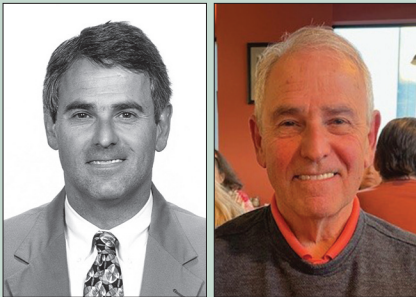
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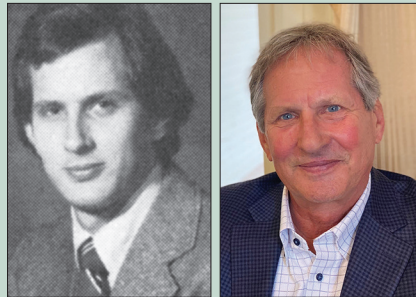
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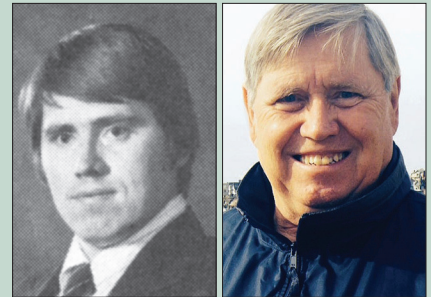
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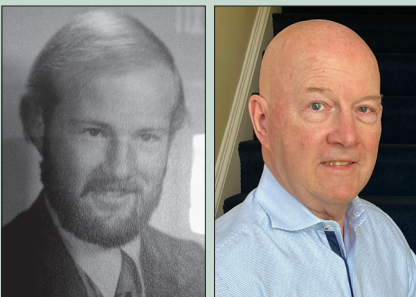
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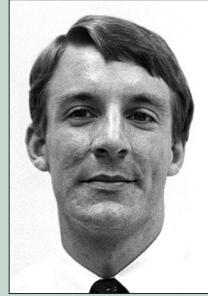
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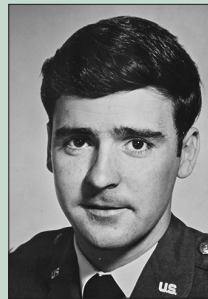
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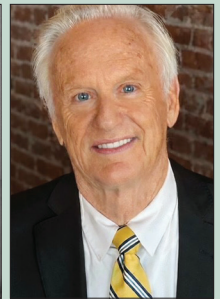
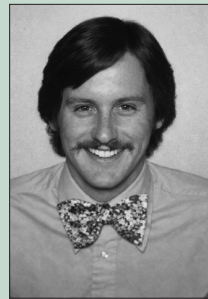
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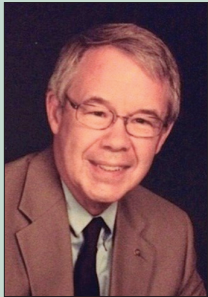
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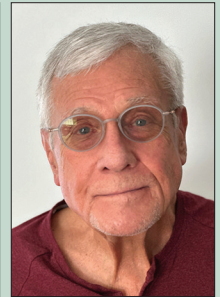
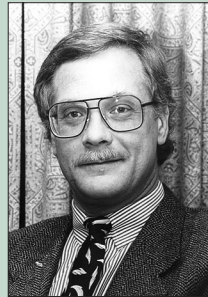
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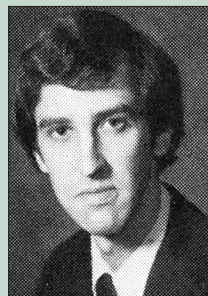
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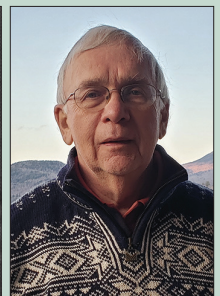
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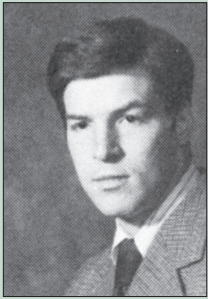


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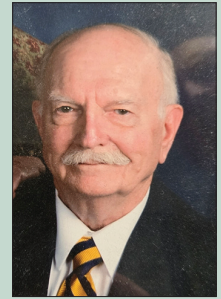
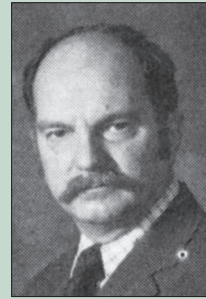
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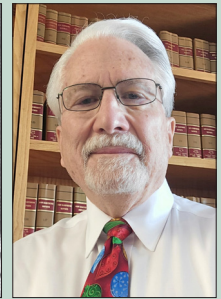
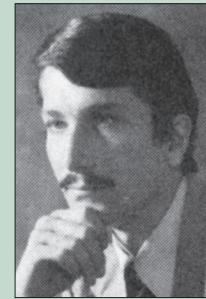
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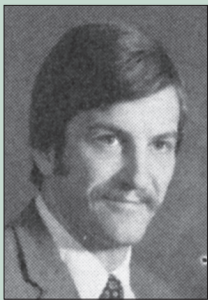
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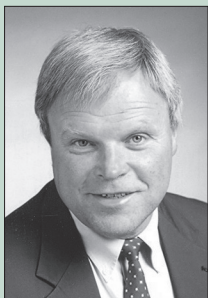
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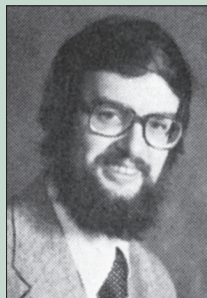
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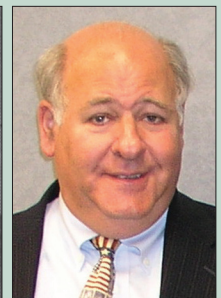
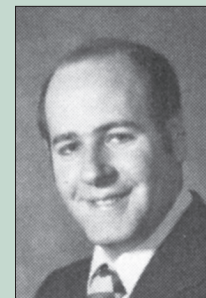
Edward W. Stewart, Jr.



Edward M. Van Dorn, Jr.



Richard J. Walsh, III



Howard J. Zibel

A Message from the Bar President

Dear Esteemed Colleagues,

It is with deep respect and admiration that I extend my heartfelt congratulations to those of you celebrating 50 years of legal practice. This remarkable milestone reflects not only longevity, but also an enduring commitment to the rule of law, the pursuit of justice, and service to your communities.

Over the course of your distinguished careers, the legal profession has undergone extraordinary transformation. You began practicing in an era defined by paper files, typewriters, and in-person research, when the pace of legal work was measured differently and the tools of the trade required a distinctly hands-on approach. Since then, you have witnessed—and adapted to—the rise of digital technology, electronic filing systems, online legal research platforms, and virtual court proceedings, all of which have reshaped how justice is delivered.



Beyond technological change, the substance of the law itself has evolved dramatically. You have navigated significant developments in constitutional interpretation, civil rights, corporate regulation, environmental law, and countless other fields. The legal landscape has become more complex, more interconnected, and more responsive to the shifting needs of society. Through it all, you have remained steady guides for your clients and trusted stewards of the legal system.

Your 50 years of practice represent not only personal achievement, but also a legacy of mentorship, integrity, and public service. You have trained generations of our state's attorneys and judges, contributed to the strength of New Hampshire's legal institutions, and upheld the highest standards of professionalism.

As we honor this extraordinary accomplishment, we also thank you—for your wisdom, your resilience, and your unwavering dedication. Your careers stand as a testament to the profound impact that thoughtful, ethical, and committed attorneys can have over a lifetime.

With sincere appreciation and congratulations,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Derek D. Lick". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Derek D. Lick
New Hampshire Bar Association President

James R. Anderson

Residence: Savannah, GA
Family: Sandra G. Anderson (spouse); Christopher Anderson and Jason Wheeler (children)
Education: University of Maryland (1972); Franklin Pierce Law Center (1976)
Military Service: US Army (1968–1971)
Areas of Practice: Retired
Current Firm or Employer: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: Anderson Law Office; State of NH



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? All the good jobs were taken.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Jack W. Hutton (father-in-law)

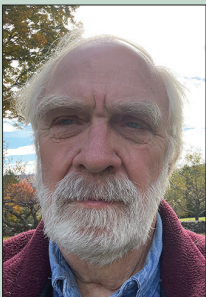
What advice do you have for new lawyers? Honesty, integrity, good communication

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Child abuse prosecution

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I served on the planning board, zoning board, budget committee, rotary, and Concord Country Club.

Hanford L. Auten, III

Residence: Acworth, NH
Family: Gail Wilson (spouse); Naima Piluszezwska (granddaughter)
Education: Dartmouth College, BA (1969); Suffolk University Law School, JD (1976)
Military Service: Infantry, US Army (1969–1971)
Areas of Practice: Retired
Current Firm or Employer: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: Jon S. Auten (1976–1980), Charles V. Spano (1980–1994), Department of Children, Youth and Families (1994–2000). Stopped practicing in 2000. After that, became a volunteer fireman, EMT, apprentice electrician, human rights investigator for the Human Rights Commission, and a child support enforcement officer for DCYF, retiring in 2020.



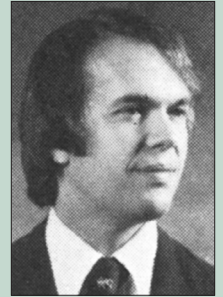
Who were your heroes or mentors? Hon. Albert D. Leahy

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were

most meaningful to you? A number of organizations related to youth services and disadvantaged members of society.

Hon. Francis H. Ayer, Jr.

Residence: Keene, NH
Family: Glenda R. Ayer (spouse of 57 years)
Education: University of New Hampshire (1970); Suffolk University Law School (1975)
Military Service: US Army (28 years)
Current Firm or Employer: US Administrative Law Judge since 1994
Past Firms or Employers: Veterans Law Judge (presidential appointment); Staff Judge Advocate 187th Infantry Brigade (sep); Deputy Commander 78th Legal Support Organization; Senior Defense Counsel Attorney



Frederick J. Bailey, III

Residence: Wolfeboro, NH
Education: University of Pennsylvania, BA, MA (1973); University of Chicago, JD (1976)
Past Firms or Employers: Bowker, Elmes, Perkins, Mecsas & Gerrard



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? To be able to effectively assist people in addressing their concerns.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Gerhard Casper

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Legal education is a good background for many endeavors apart from traditional legal careers. Be open to these possibilities.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I was chairman of the Seacoast Shipyard Association, a community organization dedicated to maintaining the viability of the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

Congratulations on 50 years!

Christopher V. Bean

Residence: Jaffrey, NH

Family: Claire R. Bean (spouse of 55 years); Andy and Katie (children); five wonderful grandchildren

Education: Dartmouth College, BA; Franklin Pierce Law Center, JD; Boston University School of Law, LLM

Areas of Practice: Corporate and general business law

Current Firm or Employer: President and CEO, D.D. Bean & Sons, Co.

Past Firms or Employers: Upton, Sanders & Smith; Tower, Bean & Crocker; Bean Law Office



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I decided to become a lawyer because I wanted to make a meaningful impact on my community and help individuals and businesses navigate complex legal challenges. The ability to advocate for others and solve problems has always been a driving force in my career.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Throughout my career, I have been inspired by leaders who demonstrate integrity, dedication, and a commitment to service. My mentors include senior colleagues from my early years in law, as well as community leaders who taught me the importance of giving back.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? My advice to new lawyers is to approach every case with diligence and empathy. Build strong relationships, never stop learning, and always strive to serve your clients and community with integrity.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I am proud of establishing my own law practice and serving my community through my legal expertise. While I cannot pinpoint specific cases, I have always found great satisfaction in helping clients resolve complex legal issues and achieve their goals.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? Yes, I have been deeply involved in community service. I co-founded and served as director and secretary of the Jaffrey War Memorial Committee for 35 years, was the inaugural president and director of the Monadnock Conservancy for 10 years, and served as a trustee of the Hampshire Country School for a decade. Additionally, I chaired the Jaffrey Planning Board for nine years and contributed to several other civic and charitable organizations.

Peter G. Beeson



Residence: Kennett Square, PA

Family: Laura Kiernan (spouse); Nick and Mike (children, both lawyers); three grandchildren

Education: Yale University (1967); Cornell Law School (1975)

Military Service: US Army (1968–1970). During my final year, I served in Vietnam as first lieutenant, infantry branch.

Areas of Practice: Retired

Current Firm or Employer: Retired

Past Firms or Employers: US Department of Justice, Criminal Division (1975–1977); House of Representatives Select Committee on Assassinations (1977–1979); US Department of Justice, Land and Natural Resources Division (1979–1981); Criminal Enforcement Division, US Environmental Protection Agency (1981–1984); Office of New Hampshire Attorney General (now the Department of Justice) (1984–1992); Nelson, Kinder, Mosseau & Gordon (1992–1998); Devine, Millimet & Branch (1998–2013); Expert consultant for legal ethics and standard of care issues (2013–2015)



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I wanted my life to make a difference either as a trial lawyer or in environmental protection. Public sector lawyers seemed well-positioned to gain these opportunities. So for my first 17 years, I worked as a trial attorney with the Justice Department's criminal and environmental divisions; as head of the EPA's first Criminal Enforcement Division; and then as an environmental trial lawyer and homicide prosecutor in New Hampshire.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My heroes and mentors were Ramsey Clark, US Attorney General and civil rights activist; Martin Luther King, Jr., leader in the American civil rights movement; and Barbara Keshen, Arnie Alpert, and Representative Renny Cushing, steadfast opponents of capital punishment in New Hampshire.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? My advice for new lawyers is to always tell the truth, especially with judges, clients, and opposing counsel. Take on challenges that will allow you to grow. Seek opportunities to work with experienced lawyers. Learn and abide by the rules of professional conduct.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I built and managed the EPA's criminal enforcement division; prosecuted a homicide case that established the reliability of forensic technology for use in New Hampshire criminal prosecutions; started and chaired a risk management committee for a New Hampshire firm that resolved conflicts and numerous other professional responsibility issues; and received the NHBA's E. Donald Dufresne Award for Outstanding Professionalism.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? Outside of law-related activities, Bar

committee work, and political activities, I spent most free time with my wife and our two boys, coaching soccer and baseball teams, and supporting their “careers” as junior golfers (it’s very difficult for a New Hampshire golfer to be competitive in warmer states). I also enjoyed camping, skiing, and developing mutually strong and supportive relationships that endure today.

Mae C. Bradshaw (Bolten)

Residence: Cape Coral, FL

Family: Frank Burton Dibble, MD (partner)

Education: Connecticut College, BA, *cum laude* (1966); Suffolk University Law School, JD (1976)

Areas of Practice: Estate planning, probate, and small business in NH, ME, MA, and FL

Current Firm or Employer: sklawyers, PLLC

Past Firms or Employers: Bradshaw & Associates; Beit, Stevens, O’Flaherty & Bolten



dissuaded, she persevered to deliver on the objectives at hand.”

For seven years, I served as trustee of Salem State University. For 66 years, I have been active in numerous roles for my alma mater, Phillips Academy Andover (Abbot). I also served on the board of the NHSPCA for 15 years, created their foundation, and then served 10 years as trustee of their foundation.

Robert Brookes

Residence: Henniker, NH

Family: Connie Brookes (spouse); Maureen Brookes (daughter)

Education: Rutgers University, BA (1971); Temple University School of Law, JD (1976)

Areas of Practice: Insurance law

Current Firm or Employer: Robert Brookes, Attorney at Law

Past Firms or Employers: Law firm of Martin, Crashaw & Mayfield (Haddonfield, NJ) (1976–1984); CIGNA Corporation and successor/related companies (1984–2015)



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? As a social worker after college, I felt powerless to help those most needy and believed as a lawyer I would be empowered to have a greater impact to effect positive change.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My first senior partner, Harvey Beit, and my colleague, the late Patricia McKee.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Put yourself in the shoes of your client and care about their needs. Keep working as hard as you did in law school.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I still have loyal clients from 50 years ago. *In the Matter of Herbert Fowler & Cheryl Fowler* (factors of alimony); *Rossmann v. Rossmann* (allocation of pension calculation in divorce); are both landmarks in the field of domestic relations.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? For 36 years, I have been an active Rotarian, having served as president of the Exeter Rotary Club and assistant governor for District 7780. I have been president of the Rockingham County Bar Association and a member of “the Rock.” For 40 years, I served my town of Rye in numerous capacities: chair of the Historic District Commission; chair of the Heritage Commission; chair of the Capital Improvement Planning Committee; and member of the Select Board. I also participated on many other local boards, including the Rye Library Committee; the Town Center Committee; and the Rye Town Hall Committee. As quoted from the 2022 Rye Annual Report Dedication, “In whatever Mae did, she did from the heart and with vigor and enthusiasm. She set an example for many to follow to set aside time to give back to the Town of Rye. Never to be

Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I went to law school because I couldn’t make a living as an artist, but once there I believe I found my true calling.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My heroes are Willam O. Douglas, Thurgood Marshall, and William J. Brennan.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Remember that we’re a learned profession, not a business.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I am most proud of doing pro bono work for Salvadorian asylum seekers in the 1980s.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? The most meaningful was being a New Jersey high school mock trial competition judge and a University of Pennsylvania Law School trial team judge.

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— Robert Brookes

Douglas R. Chamberlain

Residence: Hooksett, NH

Family: Linda J. (Canfield) Chamberlain (spouse); Samuel D. Chamberlain and Sarah R. (Chamberlain) Stockton (children)

Education: Harvard College (1973); Columbia Law School (1976)

Areas of Practice: Corporate, tax, trademarks and copyright, employee benefits, healthcare, and historic preservation law

Current Firm or Employer: Retired

Past Firms or Employers: Wiggin & Nourie, PA (1976–2002); Sulloway & Hollis, PLLC (2002–2017)



Thomas P. Colantuono

Residence: Manchester, NH

Family: Lauren Colantuono (spouse); Marianna Colantuono (daughter); Forrest, Avery, and Zoie (stepchildren)

Education: Duke University (1973); Boston College Law School (1976)

Areas of Practice: Civil and criminal litigation, general practice

Current Firm or Employer: Ward Law Group, PLLC

Past Firms or Employers: Hamblett & Kerrigan (1976–1978); Office of Attorney General (1978–1981); Law Office of Thomas P. Colantuono (1981–2001); US Attorney’s Office (2001–2009); Bianco Professional Association (2009–2019)



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I was interested in history, government and politics, and business and economics. I didn’t fancy a career in academia and thought this would be a good way to keep my options open.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My mentor at Wiggin & Nourie was John R. Monson, a senior corporate partner and a demanding taskmaster, who was immensely helpful to me getting established in practice, improving my legal writing and drafting skills, and introducing me to the health care, tax, and employee benefits fields.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Cliché but nonetheless true: clients value courtesy, candor, respect, and responsiveness as much – or even more – than the substantive legal advice rendered.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? My 41 years advising small and mid-sized businesses, professional groups, and health care practices in particular; building a reputation for expertise and quality service in the employee benefits field; and, in later years, working on a number of interesting preservation projects around the country in the federal historic tax credits field.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I sat on several Bar committees over the years, including the CLE and Legislation Committees, and served for many years as chair of the NHMCLE Board. I also served Grace Episcopal Church in Manchester in several capacities for over 20 years. I was a founder of and active for many years in the New Hampshire Employee Benefits Council, and have served for many years as an officer and board member of the Harvard Club of New Hampshire.

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— Douglas R. Chamberlain

Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I knew that I wanted to become a lawyer ever since the eighth grade, based primarily on three motivations. First, in reading about US history, I was impressed by how many of our founding fathers were lawyers. Second, I was a big fan of the *Perry Mason* show. Third, I wanted to help people, and doing so as a lawyer seemed to be the best fit.

Who were your heroes or mentors? As a young lawyer, I looked up to David Nixon, Chuck Douglas, and Tom Rath, and I tried to emulate their careers in some small way.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Pace yourself. Don’t shortchange yourself on downtime and vacations to recharge your batteries. You are no good to your clients or your firm members if you burn yourself out at a young age. Always tell the truth. The best thing that anyone can ever say about you is, “his/her word is his/her bond.” Keep your priorities straight – God, family, work – in that order for a long and successful life.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? A noteworthy memorable case occurred early in my career when I was still learning how to be a lawyer. I was serving as an assistant attorney general in the Consumer Protection Division of the Attorney General’s Office when a fellow down in Plaistow started running a Ponzi scheme called the “Circle of Gold.” It created quite a stir and attracted persons from all over the area to go to Pelham to purchase \$100 “shares” with the promise of thousands of dollars in return. We filed an injunction action to shut him down. When it came time for a hearing in the Superior Court in Manchester, the courtroom was packed with his supporters who wanted the court to deny the injunction so that they could become rich. The clerk of the court, Mr. Murphy, escorted me into the courtroom, and loudly announced, “Make way for the attorney general.” The crowd booted loudly! It was a bit intimidating, but we won the injunction to shut down the scheme. Then we prosecuted the defendant criminally under the outdated Securities Law in effect at the time. We obtained a conviction, but the Supreme Court overturned it on appeal, ruling that the actions of the defendant did not fit the definitions in the law. This led to the legislature passing an updated and modernized Securities Statute, which has

since been further updated as RSA 421-B. This was the first – and hopefully the last – time I have been booted in a courtroom.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I served 20 years in elected and appointed office, including three and a half years as an assistant attorney general, six years as a state senator from District 14, three years as an executive councilor from District 4, and seven and a half years as the United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire. I also served on several boards, coached my daughter in youth soccer and softball, and was active in various parishes over the years. I am currently a member of the Knights of Columbus, and formerly I was a member of the Derry Rotary Club. My years in office had many meaningful moments, but the two that I would highlight because of their lasting impact on the City of Manchester are my roles in the modernization of its airport and the construction of the Southern New Hampshire University Arena.

Who were your heroes or mentors?

“As a young lawyer, I looked up to David Nixon, Chuck Douglas, and Tom Rath, and I tried to emulate their careers in some small way.”

— Thomas P. Colantuono


Frederick J. Coolbroth

Residence: Meredith, NH
Family: Jeaneen M. Coolbroth (spouse); Frederick J. Coolbroth, Jr. and Dana L. Coolbroth (sons)
Education: University of New Hampshire, BA (1973); Boston College Law School, JD (1976)
Current Firm or Employer: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: Devine, Millimet & Branch, PA (1985–2010); Public Service Company of New Hampshire (1976–1985).



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? The practice of law offered a career of interesting and challenging work helping clients deal with legal matters.

Who were your heroes or mentors? At PSNH, my mentors were Ralph Wood, Russ Winslow, Pete Caron, and Pete Cameron. With the Sulloway firm as PSNH’s primary New Hampshire counsel, I came to know and work with Franklin Hollis, Martin Gross, Larry Spellman, and other members of the firm. At Devine Millimet, my leading mentors were Joe Millimet, Norman Stahl, John Holland,



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What advice do you have for new lawyers? New Hampshire is a special place to practice law, and you can help continue that tradition by conducting your practice with professionalism, courtesy, and civility.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? My practice involved primarily utilities, energy, telecommunications, and corporate finance. The most memorable cases would have to be the PSNH bankruptcy case and the acquisition by FairPoint of the Verizon New Hampshire landline properties. I have also served on the New Hampshire Board of Bar Examiners since 1987 and am proud to have been a participant in bar exam reforms leading to the adoption of the Uniform Bar Exam and in the development of the Daniel Webster Scholar program at the University of New Hampshire Franklin Pierce School of Law.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I was active in various nonprofit organizations, of which the most meaningful to me were in the field of health care.

Randall F. Cooper

Residence: Cumberland, ME

Family: Carolyn Lucet (spouse); Riley L. Cooper and Tristan L. Cooper (children)

Education: Dartmouth College (1969); Boston University School of Law, JD (1976)

Military Service: United States Navy

Areas of Practice: Occasional land use issues

Current Firm or Employer: Cooper, Cargill, Chant, PA

Past Firms or Employers: William D. Paine, II; solo; Dickson, Fauver & Cooper



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I was a third-generation attorney, so it seemed like the right thing to do.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My heroes and mentors are my father; John McLaughlin, Clerk of Carroll County Superior Court; and Justice William Grimes.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? My advice is no matter what, tell the truth.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I helped make a lot of law, a significant amount of which was on the losing side. I was very involved in property rights and inverse condemnation cases, which as I learned is almost impossible to assert in New Hampshire.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? The most meaningful were the NHBA, the National Conference of Bar Presidents, the Mt. Washington Valley Economic Council, and the zoning board of adjustment for the Town of Eaton.

Edward L. Cross, Jr.

Residence: Naples, FL

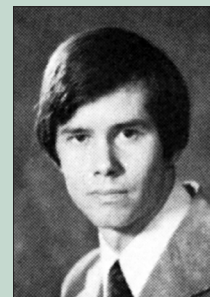
Family: Louise Atwater Cross (spouse); Gregory Cross and Douglas Cross (sons); Christopher Reinhart (stepson)

Education: Bates College (1972); Cornell University School of Law (1976)

Military Service: Connecticut Army National Guard and US Army Reserve (1972–1978)

Areas of Practice: Retired

Past Firms or Employers: McLane Middleton (1976–1980); Office of the New Hampshire Attorney General (1980–1984); Wiggin & Nourie (1984–1993); NH Public Defender (1993–2016)



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I felt that through the practice of law, I might have the opportunity to make a difference in someone's life.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Attorney Robert Wells (McLane Middleton); Attorney Barbara Keshan (NH Public Defender)

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Never forget that the practice of law is a privilege, not a right, and conduct yourself accordingly.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Months after her case was closed, a former client of mine who suffered from mental health issues and who'd been the victim of repeated acts of sexual abuse sent me a letter. In it, she wrote that after my representation of her ended, there were occasions when she experienced such intense emotional pain, she seriously thought about committing suicide. She added that what helped her come to terms with these thoughts were the memories she had of the respectful manner in which I treated her during the period of time I was her lawyer.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? During my years at the Attorney General's Office and the NH Public Defender, every day I went to work, I genuinely believed I was performing a community service and not simply going through the motions of everyday life. Also, after I retired, I represented a number of abused women under the auspices of the DOVE Project.

Congratulations Randy Cooper on your incredible milestone of 50 years with the New Hampshire Bar!



The Attorneys and Staff of Cooper Cargill Chant congratulate Randy Cooper on a phenomenal career – your dedication and commitment to the law, our firm and its employees are an inspiration to us all!

Thank you for your 50 years of service to the Bar and 48 years with our firm!

Hon. Bruce F. DalPra

Residence: Manchester, NH
Family: Benjamin DalPra and Adam DalPra (children)
Education: Holy Cross College (1971); Suffolk University Law School (1976)
Areas of Practice: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: Kelliher, Clougherty & DalPra (1976–1982); Per Diem Marital Master (1982–1987); Self (1981–1991); Full-time Marital Master (1991–2022)

Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I was always interested in the law and justice.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My mentor was Peter Bourque, Marital Master. One of the finest men I have ever known.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? My advice for new lawyers is to do your best; leave arrogance by the door; and treat all colleagues and clients with respect.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I was fortunate, honored, and humbled to work for the people of New Hampshire as a marital master for 36-plus years. I always endeavored to be competent and fair and to give all who appeared in court an opportunity to be heard. I am sure there will be some who maintain that I did not fare very well. However, I am most honored by the respect which dozens of colleagues, court staff, and friends have expressed.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? Yes. I was on the board of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Greater Manchester for several years, serving as president in the mid-1980s. I volunteered as a youth soccer coach, board member, and referee from 1986-1991 (or thereabouts). I was a coach, board member, and umpire for Manchester East Little League from 1986-2014, serving as president on a few occasions. Since 2014, I have served in the same capacity for Manchester Cal Ripken (successor to Manchester East Little League) and have served as president since 2020. I am an assistant district commissioner for New Hampshire Cal Ripken. All have been meaningful.

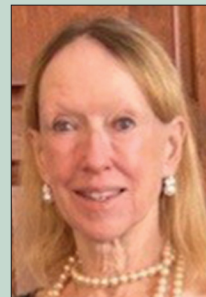
What advice do you have for new lawyers?

“My advice for new lawyers is to do your best; leave arrogance by the door; and treat all colleagues and clients with respect.”

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Rebecca H. Dent

Residence: Solon, OH
Family: George W. Dent, Jr. (spouse); Chole Dent (daughter); Cullen McCulloch (son-in-law); Delia Dent Chaturvedi (daughter); Ravi S. Chaturvedi (son-in-law)
Education: Barnard, BA (1970); New York University, MA (1972); Columbia Law School (1975)
Areas of Practice: Retired
Current Firm or Employer: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: Kozusko Harris Duncan; Spieth Bell; Jones Day; Simpson Thacher



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I was starving as a film and poetry scholar.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My mentor was Richard T. Watson at Spieth Bell.

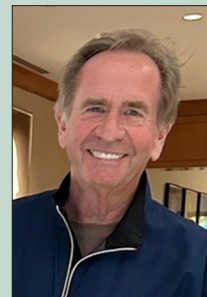
What advice do you have for new lawyers? Work hard, check your work, be serious but humane, drop dishonest or crazy clients and law partners, find a type of law you genuinely enjoy, and make yourself a rewarding life.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I am most proud professionally of having forged multi-decade relationships with clients who became friends also, and retaining for decades clients I “inherited” after my senior partner’s sudden and unexpected death.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? My most meaningful community service was Lawyers for the Arts.

Fred J. Desmarais, Jr.

Residence: Manchester, NH; Chatham, MA (United States and Irish Citizen)
Family: Janice (spouse); Kelly, Erin, Jason, Jonathan (children); 10 grandchildren
Education: University of New Hampshire (1972); University of Baltimore Law School (1976)
Areas of Practice: Civil litigation
Current Firm or Employer: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: Law clerk for the New Hampshire Superior Court; Wiggin & Nourie, PA; Desmarais, Ewing & Johnston, PLLC; Desmarais Law Group, PLLC



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I became interested in trial work watching *Perry Mason* with my parents. It struck me as challenging and intellectually engaging work and a meaningful way to help people.

Who were your heroes or mentors? I was very fortunate to clerk for Superior Court Justices King, Batchelder, and Laughlin. Each of them, in different ways, demonstrated that the practice of law is more about temperament and fairness than intellect. They treated every lawyer and litigant with respect and patience. I also had the privilege of practicing law with Attorneys Dort Bigg, Bill Orcutt, and Wright Danenbarger at Wiggin & Nourie Law Firm. Although each had different courtroom styles, they were meticulous in preparation and had the ability to connect with juries.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Be straightforward and trustworthy. Once a judge or lawyer doubts your word, you never get it back.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I was fortunate to have tried over 200 civil jury cases ranging from simple automobile cases to complex product liability and commercial cases in state and federal courts. I also helped establish the initial Rule 170 Volunteer Mediation Program in civil cases. It allowed litigants to resolve disputes without costly and lengthy litigation.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? For many years, I volunteered as a court mediator. I also served on numerous school, church, and youth program boards and coached youth sports.

Karl O. Durand

Residence: Lee, NH

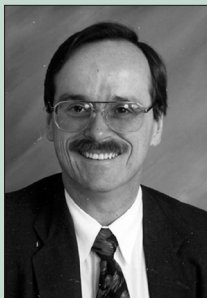
Family: Joyce (spouse); Kori (daughter); Max (son-in-law); Victoria and Alethea (granddaughters)

Education: University of the Pacific (1973); McGeorge School of Law (1976)

Areas of Practice: Prosecution (criminal law)

Current Firm or Employer: State of New Hampshire, Department of Safety

Past Firms or Employers: 603 Legal Aid; Legal Advice and Referral Center, NH; Human Rights Commission; Law Offices of Emmanuel Krasner; Law Offices of Fisher, Willoughby, Clancy & Durand; Strafford County Attorney's Office



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? My goal has always been to assist others with legal matters but who might not have the ability to hire an attorney. This has led me down many different pathways in my career, but I always try to find the path that allows service to others.

Who were your heroes or mentors? In a 50-year career as a lawyer and legal educator, there have been too many individuals, lawyers, and judges to mention that have mentored me or been heroes to emulate.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Always make time for yourself, your family, and your spiritual health.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? No particular cases are memorable. I have spent many years teaching paralegal and criminal justice students in local colleges in New Hampshire and Maine. Many of these students have gone on to be lawyers, paralegals, law enforcement officers, and members of the court staff. I am most proud of what they have done and what teaching can offer to others.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? Most meaningful was time spent on a childcare advocacy board of directors and my involvement with the Girl Scouts when my daughter was young, including several years on the board of directors. I have also enjoyed involvement with middle and high schools over the years.

Abigail Elias

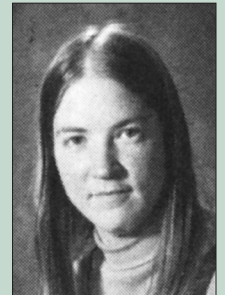
Residence: Ann Arbor, MI

Family: Three children, one grandchild

Education: Brandeis University (1973); Harvard Law School (1976)

Current Firm or Employer: Retired

Past Firms or Employers: Clerk to Justice Edward Lampron, NH Supreme Court; National Labor Relations Board (Region 1) Boston; US Department of Justice Civil Rights Division; City of Detroit Law Department; Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone, Detroit, Michigan; City of Ann Arbor City Attorney's Office, Ann Arbor, MI



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I decided to become a lawyer because I had an interest in giving back to the community.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My heroes and mentors were Pauli Murray, Jacob Stein, and Coleman A. Young.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? My advice would be to follow your passion, dig deep, and pay attention to details.

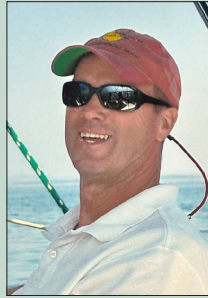
What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I am most proud of working on a voting rights case providing for Navajo language translations of ballot questions and voter information in New Mexico; restoring funding for a sewage treatment system for the Lummi tribe in Washington state; preserving the independence of Mariner's Church from the Episcopal Diocese of Detroit; winning a decade-long battle for the City of Ann Arbor against an unreasonable claim for taking without compensation; and a pro bono case representing a client on

death row in Georgia.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? Yes, I was involved in community service, and my participation included a variety of miscellaneous activities.

Hon. Michael R. Feeney

Residence: Durham, NH
Family: Catherine (spouse); Mitch and Ben (sons)
Education: University of New Hampshire, BA (1970); Suffolk University Law School, JD (1975)
Military Service: Medic, US Army (1970–1972)
Current Firm or Employer: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: Feeney Law Offices (1976–2011); Sullivan County Probate Court Judge (1995–2015)



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I was able to go to law school on the GI Bill after Vietnam, and no employers were knocking down the door to hire me.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Audie Murphy.

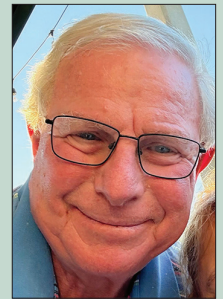
What advice do you have for new lawyers? First, listen more than you speak. Second, work with the best and most trustworthy, hardworking people.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Every termination of parental rights case over which I presided as probate court judge is memorable, and was necessary to achieve a better opportunity for a good life for a child.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I served 10 years as the Sunapee town moderator.

Stephen R. Goldman

Residence: Concord, NH & Naples, FL
Family: Ann (spouse); Andrew and Lauren (children)
Education: Boston State College (1973); Franklin Pierce Law Center (1976)
Areas of Practice: Estate planning/probate
Current Firm or Employer: Bianco PA
Past Firms or Employers: Goldman & LeBrun PA





Why did you decide to become a lawyer? In my junior year in college, I took a pre-law course, and the professor encouraged me to apply to law school. Before that, I had no idea what I wanted to do.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My heroes are Ted Williams, Bobby Orr, Bill Russell, Tom Brady, and President Obama.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Never be afraid to ask for help or seek advice from an experienced lawyer... new lawyers often feel nervous and insecure!

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I was fortunate enough to try some very complex and challenging cases and receive substantial jury verdicts and recoveries that made a real difference in the lives of my clients.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I served on the Concord Hospital Board of Trustees and was founding chairman of the Concord Hospital golf tournament, which raised substantial funds for cardiac care. I was also president of Concord Youth Hockey and Concord Little League and coached hockey, baseball, and softball.

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William J. Hamilton

Residence: Billerica, MA
Family: Married with four children and five grandchildren.
Education: University of Massachusetts, Amherst (1970); Suffolk University Law School (1976)
Current Firm or Employer: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: Strouse & Noon, PC; Marcotte Law Firm



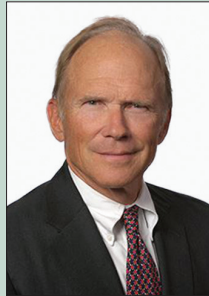
Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I became a lawyer because I wanted a career where I could help people directly.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My heroes were John F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King, Jr., and too many more to mention.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? My advice is to work hard but life balance is critical.

David R. Hardy

Residence: Hebron, NH
Family: Anne Davidson Hardy (wife); Treat Hardy (son)
Education: Reed College, BA (1971); Georgetown University Law Center, JD (1975); New York University School of Law, LLM (1979)
Areas of Practice: Federal taxation
Current Firm or Employer: McDermott, Will & Schulte
Past Firms or Employers: Osler, Hoskins & Harcourt; Thelen, Reid, & Priest; Sage Gray; Breed Abbott & Morgan



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? Because of the combination of theoretical and practical.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Quality personal skills enhance quality legal advice.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? NYS Bar Tax Section Executive Committee (2003–present); chair of the IBA Taxation Committee (2006 and 2007); president of the International Tax Institute in NYC (2008–2010); chair of the ABA Public Utility Tax Committee (1989–1995).

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I was involved in the church and the zoning board of adjustment in Hebron.

Nicholas D.N. Harvey, Jr.

Residence: Fairlee, VT and Vero Beach, FL
Family: Connie (spouse); Kol, Tim, Dan, and Liza (children); and six grandchildren
Education: Colgate University (1970); University of Puget Sound Law School (1976)
Military Service: Officer in the US Air Force (1970–1972)



Areas of Practice: Before retiring, I specialized in representing closely held business owners and in estate planning, trust, and probate administration.

Current Firm or Employer: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: Stebbins Bradley, PA

Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I sought a career that would enable me to help other people and a specialty that allowed me to control my own life.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Jack Stebbins (my former senior partner) who was a fine mentor, and like a second father to me.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? My advice for new lawyers is to be patient and flexible, work hard, really listen to others, and respect everyone you meet.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I am proud of helping estate planning clients focus on what is truly important to them and their family, especially when there are special needs and conflicting interests.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I represented a few abused and neglected children through the New Hampshire CASA program. I also worked with and supported several land conservation organizations.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases?

“I am proud of helping estate planning clients focus on what is truly important to them and their family, especially when there are special needs and conflicting interests.”

— Nicholas D.N. Harvey, Jr.

Russell F. Hilliard

Residence: Portsmouth, NH

Family: Jo (spouse); Julie, Marie, Ben, Sarah, and Margaret (children); and eight grandchildren. They call us Babu and Bibi (Swahili for grandparents).

Education: Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, BS (1973); Cornell Law School, JD (1976); Boston University, MA (1985)

Areas of Practice: Professional discipline, civil litigation

Current Firm or Employer: Upton & Hatfield (1980–present)

Past Firms or Employers: Dunn & Hilliard (1976–1980)



best trial lawyers New Hampshire has ever seen. But he never took himself too seriously and found humor in all that he did.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? My advice would be to get involved in Bar activities – it will make your practice and personal life more rewarding.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? I am most proud of my work representing lawyers in disciplinary cases. It started in 1983 and became a major part of my practice. While lawyers can sometimes be difficult clients, their appreciation for your work on their behalf is most rewarding. Also, our defense of the NHBA when the Legislature sought to disintegrate the Bar consumed my year as president (2003–04), but was successful.

Any memorable cases? I had many fascinating cases, ranging from homicides as a new lawyer to complex commercial litigation later. One federal matter took me to Moscow for a week of depositions where my adversary/host treated all of the lawyers to wonderful meals and tours.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I helped found the Hopkinton Rotary Club in 1996. It continues to be an important and strong part of the community. I have traveled to Tanzania more than 10 times to volunteer with a Lutheran organization that nurtures relationships between churches there and here in the United States. Jo and I have many friends there that are important parts of our lives. I served as a public member of the Legislative Ethics Committee from its creation in 1991 until 2009. I have been involved with my church, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Newington, for many years, and currently serve as president of its council.

Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I was headed for a career in engineering when my college summer job brought me into contact with lawyers. Between that and characters like Atticus Finch, I was drawn to law school.

Who were your heroes or mentors? There were several, but if I had to name one, it would be Ernest T. (Skip) Smith, III. I worked with him for almost 20 years and undoubtedly watched one of the

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On behalf of everyone at Upton & Hatfield, LLP we are honored to celebrate our esteemed colleague for dedicating five decades to the practice of law. Your unwavering commitment, wisdom, and integrity have left an indelible mark on our profession and inspired generations of attorneys.



Thank you for your leadership, mentorship, and friendship. We look forward to having you guide and shape the next generation for many more years.

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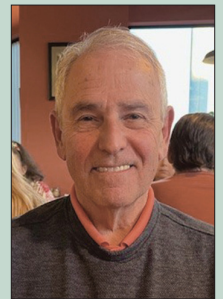
Residence: Bedford, NH

Family: Margie Hodes (spouse); David and Adam Hodes (sons); and two grandchildren

Education: American University (1972); Franklin Pierce Law Center, JD (1976); Boston University, LLM (1982)

Current Firm or Employer: Happily retired

Past Firms or Employers: Bossie, Kelly & Hodes (and its variations); Hage & Hodes.



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I wanted to make the world safe for democracy (but then I got a mortgage and a car loan and life changes).

Who were your heroes or mentors? My heroes were Walter Cronkite (I was a broadcast journalism major), and Senator Eugene McCarthy.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? My advice would be first, to the extent possible, participate in the pro bono program; secondly, I would advise you to reach out to experienced practitioners of the Bar for guidance and advice. You will find most members of the Bar to be receptive to your request for help. Thirdly, don't allow your clients to dictate your ethical responsibilities. You will experience some difficult choices during your career.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? My most memorable case was *Robin C. v. Richard Schweiker*, 532 F. Supp 677, in which the court declared NH RSA 561:4 to be unconstitutional. It took me six years and many appeals/hearings to get to that result. The result being that my client was entitled to receive social security benefits.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I taught at Franklin Pierce as an adjunct faculty member for 10 years, and I found that to be extremely rewarding. I also taught the NH Bar section on Real Estate Law for new members for some 10 years, which I greatly enjoyed. When I started to practice law, attorney advertising was prohibited. So, community service was the avenue for you to become known in your community. During the course of my career, I served on multiple nonprofit boards and Bar association committees; participated in the pro bono program and on my town's zoning board of adjustment and budget committee; held 40 years membership in Rotary International; and served my Temple – all of which was fulfilling in many aspects.

Morgan A. Hollis

Residence: Nashua, NH

Family: Tracy (wife); Courtney Duran, Austin Hollis, and Faith Conway (children)

Education: Middlebury College (1972); University of New Hampshire (1976)

Areas of Practice: Land use, commercial real estate, corporate, commercial

Current Firm or Employer: Gottesman & Hollis, PA

Past Firms or Employers: City of Nashua



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? For the intellectual challenge of solving problems and assisting people.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My mentors were H. Philip Howorth and David Gottesman.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Listen, ask a lot of questions, and be prepared.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Representing clients through the constantly changing maze of regulations of land use, including challenging

regulation through the courts (including Supreme) and establishing clear legal guidelines.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I currently serve as president of the board of directors of the Greater Nashua YMCA, and on the board of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Greater Nashua. I also received the Citizen of the Year Award from the Greater Nashua Chamber of Commerce.

Robert E. Jauron

Residence: Swampscott, MA

Family: Sally Jauron (spouse); Katherine, Laurie, and Caroline (children)

Education: Brown University, AB (1971); Suffolk University Law School, JD cum laude (1976)

Areas of Practice: Retired

Current Firm or Employer: Retired

Past Firms or Employers: McLane, Graf, Raulerson & Middleton, PA; Velcro Group Corporation



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? My older brother, Wayne, whom I admired, was an attorney and urged me to consider that career choice, and I felt it would be a good match for my interests and aptitudes.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My brother Wayne was a mentor, and I was also fortunate to work with, and learn from, a number of talented, experienced attorneys at the McLane firm, including Jack Middleton, Bob Raulerson, John Graf, Charlie DeGrandpre, Jim Muirhead, Dave DePuy, Bruce Felmlly, and Jim Hood.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Try to secure a position that best suits your interests and aptitudes and provides opportunity for satisfying and rewarding work. If at some point it no longer affords such opportunities, move on to something that will.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I feel some satisfaction from having helped many clients resolve countless issues and achieve goals during my years in private practice and subsequently in my position as legal counsel for the Velcro companies.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? Those that involved serving as a volunteer coach for youth sports teams and serving on committees involved with organizing fundraising events for charitable organizations.

Nils P. Johnson, Jr.

Residence: Lyme, NH

Family: Kathleen Johnson (spouse); Attorney Kristen Johnson, Judge Molly Johnson, Attorney Nils Peter Johnson (children)

Education: Dartmouth College, Boston University Law School

Areas of Practice: Business law, estate planning, oil and gas law

Current Firm or Employer: Johnson and Johnson, Canfield, OH



cause I enjoyed learning it. I did not enjoy applying it. Law seemed similar in that it required logical thinking. And I liked the prospect of helping people.

Who were your heroes or mentors? I have too many heroes and mentors to list.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? If you are not sure about something, don't be afraid to ask questions.

Any memorable cases? I wrote the NH Supreme Court brief for a case that was decided on the placement of a comma.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I very actively campaign for political candidates who I think will benefit our country. I make phone calls, knock on doors, and help arrange meet and greets.

Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I wanted to become an attorney because my father and grandfather were attorneys.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My heroes were Dwight Eisenhower, John Glenn, Muhammed Ali, and Martin Luther King, Jr.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? My advice would be to find an area of the law that is complex and nuanced (i.e. that has barriers to entry).

What achievements are you most proud of professionally?
Any memorable cases? I'm proud to have served thousands of families.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I am an artist and have painted murals or paintings for: the Ohio Supreme Court, the City of Canfield, Youngstown YMCA, Butler Museum of American Art, and Dartmouth College.

Elizabeth R. Jones

Residence: Manchester, NH

Family: Two daughters and one granddaughter

Education: Villanova University, BS (1973); Villanova School of Law, JD (1976)

Areas of Practice: Social Security Disability

Current Firm or Employer: Jones Disability Law, LLC

Past Firms or Employers: Moquin & Daley PA (1984–2021); Laflamme, Champagne & Moquin PA (1981–1983); Johnson, Johnson & Murphy, PA, Pompton Lakes, NJ (1979–1980); Passaic County Legal Aid Society, Wanaque, NJ (1976–1979)



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I majored in math be-

Robert J. Kasper, Jr.

Residence: Walpole, NH

Family: Barbara (wife); Demere K. Hess, Johanna K. Snider, Anne K. Bluhm, Christina K. Posillico (daughters)

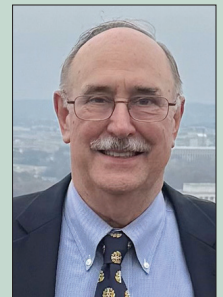
Education: Stanford University (1972); Duke University (1976); Naval Justice School (1977); US Naval War College (1994)

Military Service: Captain, US Navy Reserve (1977–2004)

Areas of Practice: Corporate and partnership law, contract, commercial litigation, real estate, landlord/tenant, probate, trusts and wills

Current Firm or Employer: Kasper & Associates; Walpole Creamery

Past Firms or Employers: Kasper & Rogers; City of South San Francisco; Mitchell, Herzog, and Kasper; US Navy Reserve



Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I've been a member of the American Legion since 1992, I currently serve as legal counsel for the board of directors of the Fall Mountain Scholarship Fund, Inc., and I'm a member of the Knights of Columbus.

What advice do you have for new lawyers?

"My advice would be to find an area of the law that is complex and nuanced (i.e. that has barriers to entry)."

– Nils P. Johnson, Jr.

Barbara R. Keshen

Residence: Concord, NH
Education: Connecticut College (1970);
 New England School of Law (1976)
Past Firms or Employers: Attorney
 General, New Hampshire Public De-
 fender, ACLU-NH



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I could talk. I had no other marketable skills.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Atticus Finch, Thurgood Marshall, and Linda Dalianis.

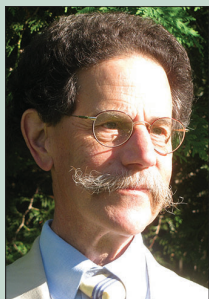
What advice do you have for new lawyers? Love your work. If you don't, find another job.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I tried cases in every court in New Hampshire and had clients in every single jail.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I was the chair of the New Hampshire Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty from 2006 to 2019, when the death penalty was finally repealed in New Hampshire.

Emmanuel (Manny) P. Krasner

Residence: Farmington, NH
Family: Patricia L. Frisella (spouse);
 Becca Frisella-Krasner and Nathaniel
 Frisella-Krasner (children)
Education: Harvard University (1969);
 Rutgers University Newark School of
 Law (1976)
Current Firm or Employer: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: Coolidge
 Law



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? Being a child of the 1960s, I thought it would be a good way to help people in need of help. I wanted to be Atticus Finch in *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

Who were your heroes or mentors? I had many heroes, including Clarence Darrow, Arthur Kinoy, Nelson Mandela, and John F. Kennedy. I had no formal mentor, but when I started to go off the rails, Don Whittum or Art Hoover would call and say, "...kid, you shouldn't..."

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Keep it civil, even when you feel strongly about your case. Listen when an older lawyer takes time to tell you something. Don't let the practice swallow your personal life.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I am proud to have brought high-quality legal representation to people who otherwise could not get it. I am proud to have represented the American Federation of Teachers-NH for 40 years, and the Clamshell Alliance for 24 months. I am proud of *Acadia Ins. v. McNeil*, 142 NH 815 (1998), which established that the family motor was not subject to admiralty law and covered by the family homeowners.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I served as a town meeting moderator and on various municipal boards and committees. I was on the boards of Strafford County Homemakers and Strafford Guidance. I sequestered books published by Strafford Guidance, which the county commissioners wanted to burn. My work with the town planning board helped change the Town of Farmington for the better.

Michael P. Lehman

Residence: Boulder, CO
Family: Jan McClure (spouse); Julia,
 Emma, Rebecca (children); and five
 grandchildren
Education: Williams College, BA
 (1972); University of Virginia School of
 Law, JD (1976)
Areas of Practice: Healthcare law and
 medical malpractice defense
Current Firm or Employer: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: Sulloway &
 Hollis (1976–2019)



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? Good question.

Who were your heroes or mentors? There were many lawyers far senior to me who put up with a lot as I was trying to figure out how to be a decent lawyer without screwing up too much. At Sulloway, Larry Spellman, Ted Soden, and Mike Lonergan. And, at the risk of leaving out some important names from other firms, Phil Peters, Don Dufresne, Bob Chiesa, and (a bit younger) Jim Shirley and Jim Wheat come to mind. As to heroes, I think I need to nominate the many brave attorneys and judges who are standing up for democracy and a fair judicial system while they have been under relentless attack since 2016.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? My advice would be to keep going when the going is tough. One bad day does not a trial make.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? In 2005, it was a real privilege to be invited to

join some terrific New Hampshire trial bar colleagues as members of the American College of Trial Lawyers. As to cases, I won a lot and lost a few, but the losses will always remain the most memorable.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? Yes, but in retrospect, probably not enough. In addition to various Bar committees, I served at times on boards and/or committees of Concord Hospital, Capital Region Healthcare, Riverbend Community Mental Health, Five Rivers Conservation Trust, the City of Concord Trails Committee, and no doubt others lost in the mists of time.

Hon. Alice Spelas Love

Residence: Bedford, NH
Family: Adam and Ashley (children)
Education: Wayne State University; Detroit School of Law
Current Firm or Employer: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: New Hampshire Judicial Branch as marital master; Devine, Millimet, Stahl & Branch



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? Up until I started college, I thought that I would become a teacher. Then I majored in political science and enjoyed the subject. I also realized that I could be independent if I pursued a career in law. I never regretted the choice.

Who were your heroes or mentors? The Honorable Richard Galway and Joseph M. McDonough, Esq.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Your reputation is invaluable. It takes a lifetime to build but can be destroyed in a single moment of poor judgment. Always act ethically and treat others well. Represent your clients to the best of your ability, which means, at the very least, being prepared in the courtroom.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I was involved in a couple of civic organizations in the Manchester area for the short time that I was in private practice. Once I became a marital master, I had to leave those organizations. Then I served on the board of directors at my church for several years.

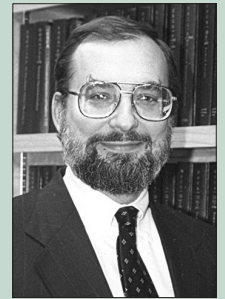
Who were your heroes or mentors?

“The Honorable Richard Galway and Joseph M. McDonough, Esq.”

— Hon. Alice Spelas Love

Richard J. Maloney

Residence: Manchester, NH
Family: Hon. Barbara A.M. Maloney (spouse); Joshua Maloney, James Markham, Sara Markham Voogt (children); five grandchildren
Education: Saint Michael’s College (1972); Albany Law School (1975); SUNY Albany School of Business (1978)
Areas of Practice: Tax and finance
Current Firm or Employer: Self-employed
Past Firms or Employers: Wiggin & Nourie; Maloney & Kennedy, PLLC



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? From an early age, I noticed that lawyers seemed to be at the center of things. That was where I wanted to be.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My first mentor was a senior lawyer at the Albany office of the IRS, where I had my first job. Based on his guidance, I went to business school and then got a job in Boston with an international accounting firm. He taught me to be sure I knew what I wanted to do with my career.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? 1. Be prepared for hearings, meetings, and mediation. You need to know the facts and the goals. 2. Listen. Sometimes things you thought were not important are very important to the judge or the other party. 3. Be succinct. Unfortunately, it is human nature to talk too much. Focus on the important concepts.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? The bulk of my career has been in finance and business. My proudest moments have come from clients who thanked me for advice given long ago but which had a great significance in their lives.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I have served on a number of boards, each meaningful in its own way, including New Hampshire PBS, New Hampshire Public Defender, Girls, Inc., and the New Hampshire Business Industry Association. Given my background, my contribution and challenge would generally be finances. Lawyers can bring skills and perspective to nonprofit organizations. It is part of our civic obligation.

What advice do you have for new lawyers?

“Don’t be afraid to push yourself.”

— Charles R. Mannix, Jr.

Charles R. Mannix, Jr.

Residence: Bar Harbor, ME

Family: Joan Mannix (wife); Morris, Martin, and Madeline (children)

Education: Duquesne University (1975); Duquesne University Kline School of Law (1976)

Military Service: US Air Force (1976–2006)

Areas of Practice: Medical law

Current Firm or Employer: Charles R. Mannix

Past Firms or Employers: US Air Force (Judge Advocate); Dartmouth Medical School



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I wanted to help those who needed assistance.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My mother and father.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Don't be afraid to push yourself.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? A case that went to the Supreme Court.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I taught non-lawyers about what you can do with the law.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Justice William F. Batchelder taught me that good lawyers keep their clients out of court, and that nobody knows more about the case than the parties themselves. And that applying a little “fireside equity” would go a long way to resolving an issue as “litigation is the failure of logic.” George T. Ray, Jr., was a great example of a small-town real estate attorney who was generous with his time assisting a new young lawyer. He taught me to always leave a real estate title better than you found it. Bobby Kennedy taught me to dream of a better world for all.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Always take the high road and try to find the point between two parties upon which resolution can be based. Always be ethical – New Hampshire is a very small state and Bar, so we all know who the bad apples are. Never take in a divorce case or landlord/tenant dispute. If a new client ever tells you, “don't worry, I will pay you,” he won't. Don't take yourself seriously, and do not wear a baseball cap, tee shirt, or a fleece vest with your firm name and logo on it. If you have a chance to be a better spouse/parent or a better lawyer, be the former. Do not be afraid to try something new. Care about what you do.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? My law school grades would not predict the level of fun and interesting matters I was allowed to handle. Having my son become a top-notch attorney (over my strong objection) and remain a great guy is my crowning achievement, and my daughter may still join the Bar.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? Boards were fun, but volunteering to coach and fundraise for youth sports was more rewarding.

John J. McCormack, III

Residence: Plymouth, NH

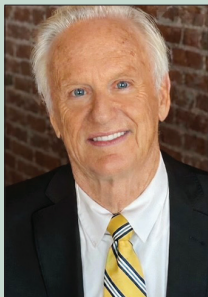
Family: Deborah C. McCormack (wife); John J. McCormack, IV (Missy) (son); Whitney S. McCormack (Kristen) (daughter); two grandsons

Education: University of New Hampshire, BA (1971); Suffolk University Law School, JD (1975)

Areas of Practice: Business and real estate development, conveyance, and related matters

Current Firm or Employer: Self-employed

Past Firms or Employers: I have been a sole practitioner since 1977, and prior to that, I was employed by a Concord firm.



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? In 1971, I was very concerned about trying to make a positive impact on a very tumultuous and polarized world – or at least trying to do so. It seemed that the law would be the right profession which would allow me to try.

Timothy R. Morgan

Residence: Alton, NH

Family: Deanna O'Shaughnessy (wife); Colin, Kelly, Allison (children)

Education: Michigan State University (1973); University of Toledo College of Law (1976)

Military Service: Special Warfare Team, US Navy

Areas of Practice: Prosecution

Current Firm or Employer: Wolfboro Police Department

Past Firms or Employers: Royer & Gallagher – American Arbitration Association (1976–1978); Trust Company of Ohio (1978–1982); United Banks of Colorado (1982–1994)



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? After being a member of the United Steel Works Union, I was interested in labor law. After helping a fellow sailor through a captains' mast hearing, I became interested in advocacy.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My high school crew coach, who taught us hard work, teamwork, dedication to purpose, and humility.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Your degree opens up a wide variety of careers for you to pursue. Don't be afraid to try more than one. Diverse experiences can greatly enrich your life.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Developing a system that allowed banks to manage and provide investment advice to mutual funds.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I was chairman and member of the Town of Alton Zoning Board.

Who were your heroes or mentors?


"My high school crew coach, who taught us hard work, teamwork, dedication to purpose, and humility."

— Timothy R. Morgan

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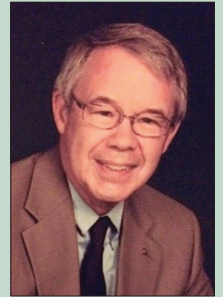
On behalf of everyone at Upton & Hatfield, LLP we extend our warmest congratulations to Thomas W. Morse as he celebrates an extraordinary milestone in his career - 50 years of law practice!

Thank you for your commitment to your clients, the community at large, and the NH legal community.

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Thomas W. Morse 



Residence: Concord, NH

Family: Nancy D. Morse (spouse); Jennifer Dragonette (daughter); Christopher D. Michaels (son)

Education: Amherst College (1969); University of Maine School of Law (1975)

Military Service: Air Defense Command, US Army

Areas of Practice: Estate planning and trust and estate administration wind-up

Current Firm or Employer: Upton & Hatfield, LLP (of counsel)

Past Firms or Employers: Hall, Morse, Anderson & Spinella, PC; Upton & Hatfield, LLP

Why did you decide to become a lawyer? To follow in the footsteps of my father and grandfather, both Concord lawyers.

Who were your heroes or mentors? The Honorable Justice David Souter

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Always take your client seriously but never take yourself seriously. Read Justice Joseph Story's poem, "Advice to a Young Lawyer" (1831). Your two greatest virtues are patience and kindness. You don't know everything; never be afraid to ask for help.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Settlement administration by *cy pres* action with the good offices of the New Hampshire Director of Charitable Trusts, of the assets and endowments of New Hampshire Centennial Home for the Aged (Concord), following its closure in 1994.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I'm a 45-year member and past director of the Concord Rotary Club. Also, a vestryman and junior warden at St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

William A. Mulvey, Jr.



Residence: Rye, NH

Family: Judy (wife); three children; seven grandchildren

Education: University of New Hampshire (1973); Suffolk University School of Law (1976)

Areas of Practice: Mediation and arbitration

Current Firm or Employer: Mulvey, Cornell & Mulvey

Past Firms or Employers: Burns, Bryant, Hinchey, Cox & Shea

Why did you decide to become a lawyer? My grandfather sustained significant injuries in an industrial accident, and through discussions with him, it became apparent that workers and individuals needed caring, competent attorneys.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? A. Become very good at and specialize in one or two areas of practice. B. Spend quality time with your family. C. Spend 10 minutes a day being kind.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Taking on the asbestos industry for the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard workers and their families.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? Coaching youth sports for many teams and many years, and coaching high school basketball.

Deborah Groban Olson

Residence: Hanover, NH

Family: Richard (husband); Daniel, Joshua, and Elizabeth (children); eight grandchildren

Education: University of Wisconsin, BA (1971); University of Wisconsin Law School, Order of the Coif (1976)

Areas of Practice: Employee ownership, cooperatives

Current Firm or Employer: Deborah Groban Olson, Attorney at Law, PLLC

Past Firms or Employers: National Labor Relations Board



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? To represent unions, workers, activists, and the underrepresented.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Father Jose Maria Arrizmenderritta, John Logue, and Bernie Sanders.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Find work that makes a difference for the non-wealthy.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Creating and assisting seven nonprofits, workers, labor unions, and minority-owned companies to use worker ownership to give people control over their work lives. Being a pioneer in creating worker ownership in unionized companies and creating and supporting some of the most democratic worker-owned companies, such as Republic Container, Franklin Forge, Once Again Nut Butter, and Carris Reels. Also, guiding and supporting Co-op Rhody in developing a group of union worker co-ops in Rhode Island that are building a cooperative support network. Writing law review articles, white papers, organizing and speaking at conferences, and helping unions use worker ownership to increase the control working people have over their lives. (See

case studies on my website esoplaw.com.)

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I was a founder or founding executive director of the Michigan Employee Ownership Center, Center for Community Based Enterprise, Joint-Cities Development, Capital Ownership Group at Kent State University, IngenuityUS, and L3C. I served on the boards of the National Center for Employee Ownership, Circle Pines Center, Once Again Nut Butter, and Co-op Rhody. I worked as a voter protection volunteer in most elections over the past 40 years. I also coached Odessey of the Mind.

Hon. James R. Patten

Residence: Wolfeboro, NH

Family: Kathleen C. Patten (spouse); Erik W. Patten, Enid T. Clement, Reid B. Patten, and Rory C. Gentry (children)

Education: University of South Dakota (1969); University of South Dakota School of Law (1976)

Military Service: Security Agency, US Army

Current Firm or Employer: Retired

Past Firms or Employers: Sole practice until 1990, when I became part of the New Hampshire Judiciary – first as a special justice until I became a full-time judge in 2006. After mandatory retirement at 70, I became a retired per diem judge until June 2025.



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? Although he never practiced as a lawyer, my father graduated from the same law school in 1949, after he returned from service in World War II.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Several law school professors. Additionally, several of the well-known lions of the New Hampshire bench and bar in the late seventies and early eighties were worth emulating. Judges Maher and Kelly were always leaders to look to for steady direction in all respects judicial as I served as a judge in Probate Court, District Court, then Circuit Court.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Whether with clients, colleagues, courts, or staff, always be honest, courteous and as patient as possible. Listen carefully, think, and then speak, remembering always that just because someone says something doesn't mean you have to or should respond. When presenting anything to the court, in whatever form, always FOCUS, FOCUS, FOCUS – and the less said, the better.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I believe that I served the citizens of this state, and all those who I encountered as a judge had a full and fair opportunity to be heard and that their rights were carefully considered in that process.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I consider my judicial service as a valuable community service.

H. Boone Porter, III

Residence: Sandwich, NH

Family: Margaret C. Porter (spouse of 48 years); Charles E. Porter (son); Martha M. Porter (daughter)

Education: Yale University, BA (1972); New York University School of Law, JD (1976)

Areas of Practice: Complex trust administration, trust litigation, corporate and commercial transactions, and business litigation

Current Firm or Employer: Self-employed as a professional trustee

Past Firms or Employers: Gibbs, Roper, Loots & Williams (now von Briesen & Roper); Altheimer & Gray; Quinn, Jacobs, Barry & Miller; Lewis Rice (and predecessor Brown, Korolchik & Fingersh); and the Porter Law Offices, LLC



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? There were two reasons. First, I always loved the TV show *Perry Mason*, starring Raymond Burr. Second, I had two uncles by marriage. One was a civil litigator with a big Philadelphia law firm, the other was a tax lawyer in New York City. Both were greatly respected. I thought if I became a lawyer and worked hard, people might feel the same way about me.

Who were your heroes or mentors? I would not use the word heroes, but my mentors were Clay R. Williams and Robert J. Loots in Milwaukee; Melvan M. Jacobs in Chicago; Jack N. Fingersh in Kansas City; and Lawrence B. Gibbs in Washington, DC.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Fully understand the scope of your task. Master all the facts and their nuances so that you know them cold. Master the applicable rules of law and their exceptions. Never make assumptions. Stay current with developments in the law.

Be intellectually honest with yourself and others. Always be ethical. Your word is your bond. Hence, if you make a representation to another person, your representation must be 100 percent correct. If you make a promise, strictly abide by it. If your word is no good, nobody will trust you and your practice will fail.

Keep your clients informed. The most important document that you will ever draft is a letter to your client. It must be brief but complete. Instructions must be clear. You must explain complex matters in everyday language. You must strike the right tone of being informative but not condescending. The client must feel that you are “value added,” not an “unwelcome expense.”

Don’t be afraid to ask yourself and others questions. Always ask yourself, “why?” Don’t be afraid to seek help from other lawyers, or even to decline an engagement, if you are asked to handle

a matter outside your competence. Remember, referring a client to an expert is advice. Clients will respect and appreciate that advice; and yes, they will come back to you.

Be open-minded and receptive to considering new ideas and approaches. Don’t be afraid of your opponents, no matter who they are, and don’t let yourself be bullied by anyone. The best way to stay out of trouble is to avoid “bad deals.” If you are asked to handle a matter that makes you feel uncomfortable, decline the engagement. No fee, no matter how large, is ever worth your integrity. Always be polite. Being polite costs you nothing but will always reflect well on you.

Get your work done on time and avoid asking for extensions. Sometimes a request for an extension is unavoidable, but minimize those requests.

Develop strategies for building your clientele. In that respect, always be aware that there are people who try to use young lawyers. Avoid them. Be selective in who you take on as clients, and over time, don’t be afraid to cull undesirable clients. When two or more people come to see you in your office, make sure you always identify who will be your client up front. Always use a written engagement letter that spells out the exact scope of your engagement and any exclusions; how your fee will be calculated; and what will be the billing arrangement. Remember, if a potential client balks at paying a retainer fee up front, do you think they will pay you an even larger amount at the back end when your work is complete? Don’t waste your time with potential clients who will not recognize the value of your services.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? The first case is *Porter v. Ogden, Newell & Welch*, 241 F.3d 1334 (11th Cir. 2001), a case of first impression in the Eleventh Circuit. I am proud of achieving all the novel state legislative enactments; federal and state administrative tax rulings; state court rulings; and contracts that, together with the federal action, culminated in a perfect result after 12 years of hard work. Some, but not all, of those proceedings are described in the Eleventh Circuit Court’s opinion. Following the issuance of the court’s opinion, I was able to recover 100 percent of all compensatory damages (the costs of mitigation); plus 100 percent of all litigation expenses (including all attorney fees); plus nine percent interest on both those amounts; plus hundreds of thousands more in lieu of punitive damages. The facts uncovered in the federal case also enabled me to subsequently obtain novel Missouri state court and further IRS administrative relief. All the state legislative and IRS administrative relief that I obtained was subsequently “baked into” Uniform Trust Code §8-814, enabling countless others to avoid the unfair ordeal that my family had to endure.

The second case is *Porter v. Town of Sandwich*, 153 N.H. 175 (2006), also a case of first impression. My wife and I were the very first people to obtain property tax relief under RSA ch. 79-D. However, the town sought to renege on its obligations under that statute and the historic easement agreement that had been entered thereunder. This case established that a town’s failure to abide by the terms of a historic easement agreement is enforceable by an action for breach of contract and not by proceedings for tax abatement.

The third case is *Achey v. Linn County Bank*, 261 Kan. 669 (1997), another case of first impression. This case established that a Kansas corporation may lawfully consummate a reverse stock split to compel minority stockholders to be “cashed out” for the

fair market value of their shares. For some obscure reason, most Kansas corporate lawyers had thought this could not be done, but this case established otherwise.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I have variously served terms as: (i) chairman of the NHBA's Military Law Section; (ii) a member of the NHBA's Legislative Committee; (iii) the chairman of the Town of Sandwich Historic District Commission; (iv) the vice chairman of the Town of Sandwich Planning Board; (v) a member of the Town of Sandwich Board of Zoning Adjustment; and (vi) a member of the Executive Committee of the Lakes Region Planning Commission.

Gregory T. Prymak

Residence: Parkville, MO
Family: G. Ann Schultis
Education: University of Alabama (1973); Boston University School of Law (1976)
Current Firm or Employer: Federal Emergency Management Agency
Past Firms or Employers: Devine, Millimet, Stahl & Branch (1976–1983); Community of Christ (1986–2015)



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? My mother persuaded me that it would be an honorable and rewarding profession (she was right).

Who were your heroes or mentors? Norman Stahl and Bartram Branch.

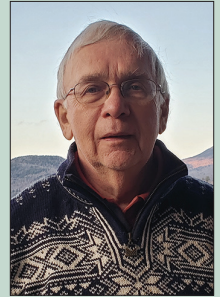
What advice do you have for new lawyers? Always be yourself, and don't lose control of what you do (e.g., the process, the narrative, the analysis) and who you are (your values, your integrity, your sense of worth, etc.).

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I indigenized the theological framework and programmatic foundation of my church in Africa. I also wrote the policy for our church in the US that authorized LGBTQ persons to be ordained to ministry and our ministers to officiate same sex marriages.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I'm a member of civic organizations that promote the worth of all persons and the betterment of their living conditions, especially in terms of food, housing, and educational opportunities.

Michael R. Randall

Residence: Rumney, NH
Family: Louise Randall (spouse); Jameson Randall and Rebecca Dossey (children)
Education: University of New Hampshire (1971); Suffolk University School of Law (1976)
Military Service: Infantry, US Army Reserve
Current Firm or Employer: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: Law Office of Richard P. Brouillard; Office of Belknap County Attorney; Michael R. Randall Attorney; Randall & Bownes Attorneys; New Hampshire Department of Employment Security



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I was stopped for a speeding ticket when I was a senior in college. I decided to contest the charge and spent the entire morning in the Exeter District Court, being the last case called. I was just fascinated by the process and the apparent logic of how disputes were resolved.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My father, Carl O. Randall, Jr.; Richard P. Brouillard; Judge William Batchelder; Michael M. Black; Commissioner John J. Ratoff.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Study the facts, research the law, and know your case. Be true to your ethics and honesty – your reputation means everything. Be courteous and respectful to all others, especially the court, even when you wish otherwise. You'll think better of yourself afterwards.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Belknap County Pro Bono Attorney of the Year; authored reference book summarizing Cases of New Hampshire Unemployment Insurance Law.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I volunteered for various local organizations over the years, including serving on town committees and participating in legal aid programs. Helping people navigate legal challenges and contributing to community development were especially meaningful to me.

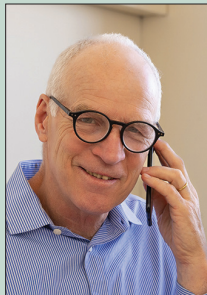
Who were your heroes or mentors?

"My father, Carl O. Randall, Jr.; Richard P. Brouillard; Judge William Batchelder; Michael M. Black; Commissioner John J. Ratoff."

— Michael R. Randall

Randolph J. Reis

Residence: Washington, NH
Family: Kimberly Kirkland (spouse); Katy and Laura (daughters); Evan and Liam (stepsons); six grandchildren
Education: Fordham University (1972); Franklin Pierce Law Center (1976)
Current Firm or Employer: Retired
Past Firms or Employers: Abramson, Reis, Brown & Dugan; Reis Law; Reis & Kirkland



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? As an undergraduate, I took a business law course and enjoyed the logic and reasoning involved in addressing legal issues.

Who were your heroes or mentors? David Nixon.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Be careful in your choice of clients and partners. Seek clients worthy of your empathy and partners who share your values.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Providing competent representation to deserving clients in litigation. Earning the trust and respect of clients, opposing counsel, and the court. Memorable case: *Bronson v. Hitchcock Clinic* 140 NH 798 (1996).

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I took a three-and-a-half-year hiatus from practicing law following my first wife's death. I did volunteer work for New Hampshire Legal Assistance in a class action case, and I began working as a CASA volunteer for abused and neglected children. Those activities reminded me of the positive impact of our profession.

Why did you decide to become a lawyer? While at George Washington University in Washington, DC, I interned for a New Mexico senator. The secretary for the press officer was a bright female with her master's in political science from a major university, yet she was assigned to a younger, not-so-bright male press officer. I knew that a law degree would command more respect.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My legal mentor and life hero was Dr. Robert H. Rines, founder of Franklin Pierce Law Center, visionary, physicist, inventor, patent attorney, explorer, entrepreneur, professor, musician, the most loyal of friends, my dean, employer, law partner, inspiration, and guardian angel. My political hero was Senator George McGovern.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Prioritize family time. Find others who do the work that you love and collaborate, sharing as generously as you can, and accepting their help with grace.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? 1. My political activism as a Democrat organizing state and federal campaigns. 2. My activity in the National Employment Lawyers Association (NELA), and the founding of the New Hampshire NELA. 3. My five years as member and then chair of the New Hampshire Commission for Human Rights.

Any memorable cases? *Knickerbocker Toy Co., Inc. v. Winterbrook Corp. and St. James Doll Creations, Cite as 554 F.Supp. 1309 (1982)*. I defended a Louisiana job creation agency employing Black women living on the bayou, who made Black and white rag dolls (from a Raggedy Ann and Andy McCall's sewing pattern) from copyright infringement claims brought by Knickerbocker Toy Co., which was then the largest toy company in the world, owned by Warner Communications, which was then a multi-billion dollar media conglomerate. The heir to the Raggedy Ann fortune saw the Black dolls in a department store and directed his licensee to stop their manufacture.

Also, with gratitude to the thousands of clients seeking justice in the workplace, the majority being women with gender discrimination claims, who entrusted their legal rights to me.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? My political organizing for Democratic candidates and my own races for Governor's Executive Council in 1988 and 1990 against a 20-plus year incumbent. Also, my membership/then chair of the New Hampshire Commission for Human Rights (1979-1985).

Nancy A. Richards-Stower

Residence: Yarmouth, ME
Family: Rev. Richard M. Stower (husband); Jonathan Douglas Stower (son)
Education: George Washington University, BA (1973); Franklin Pierce Law Center, JD (1976)
Areas of Practice: Employees' civil rights
Current Firm or Employer: Law Offices of Nancy Richards-Stower
Past Firms or Employers: Law Offices of Robert B. Fitzpatrick; Rines & Rines



What advice do you have for new lawyers?

"Prioritize family time. Find others who do the work that you love and collaborate, sharing as generously as you can, and accepting their help with grace."

— Nancy A. Richards-Stower

Richard L. Rodman

Residence: Manchester, NH
Family: Anne (spouse); three children
Education: Adelphi University (1956); New York Law School (1975)
Military Service: First Lieutenant, US Marine Corps (1956–1958)
Past Firms or Employers: Law Offices of Raymond A. Cloutier; Law Office of Richard L. Rodman



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? After teaching, as a professor of chemistry at the United States Merchant Marine Academy for eight years, I felt the need for a challenge.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My mentor was Raymond A. Cloutier, who was the Hillsborough County Attorney when I was an Assistant Hillsborough County Attorney.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Practicing law is a combination of law and running a business. Take some courses in the business side of running a law office.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Having successfully argued appeals before the New Hampshire Supreme Court.

Any memorable cases? Helping Concord citizens and clients get through stressful cases impacting their lives.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I was on various nonprofit boards and I'm a citizen activist. I volunteered for 20 years as a producer for Concord High School hockey games and sporting events, videotaping them for local cable access Concord TV.

James N. Sessler

Residence: Laconia, NH
Family: Sally S. Sessler (spouse of 54 years); Melissa, Abigail, and Timothy (children)
Education: American University, BS (1973); Franklin Pierce Law Center, JD (1976)
Areas of Practice: Real estate, probate, and estate planning
Current Firm or Employer: Sessler Law Office, PLLC
Past Firms or Employers: Fitzgerald & Sessler



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? It was a natural extension of the political/social activism of the 1960s and 1970s.

Who were your heroes or mentors? James C. Cleveland

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Stay humble and give back to your community.

Charles A. Russell

Residence: Concord, NH
Family: Jane Cormier Russell (spouse of 42 years)
Education: Salem State College, BA (1973); Franklin Pierce Law Center, JD (1976)
Areas of Practice: General practice, administrative law
Current Firm or Employer: C.A. Russell Law Office



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I was looking for (and found) a very challenging and interesting career.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Robert Rines (Franklin Pierce Law Center founder) and Jimmy Carter.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Don't let the stress of lawyering overwhelm you and ruin your personal life.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally?

Lonnie (Lon) E. Siel

Residence: Epsom, NH
Family: Emily Elisabeth Siel (daughter)
Education: University of New Hampshire, BA (1972); Suffolk University Law School, JD (1976)
Areas of Practice: Employment, tax, administrative
Current Firm or Employer: New Hampshire Department of Employment Security



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? My father was career military with extensive military intelligence and military police experience who became a chief of police following his retirement from the military. I watched him prosecute cases in the Pittsfield Municipal Court. My mother was a legal secretary who ultimately retired from working in the Civil Division of the Merrimack County Superior Court. The law naturally flowed from my background and interests. I was good enough at math that I attended the Ad-

vanced Studies Program at Saint Paul’s School in the summer of 1967. I discovered I did not want to make math my career, so that cleared the path for law.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Not surprisingly, my parents. We had incredible discussions at the dining room table about the Cuban Missile Crisis, Kennedy assassinations, etc. When I started law school, one of the welcoming speeches indicated we would be taught to think like attorneys. I discovered that in many ways I already did.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Keep your ego out of the way. It is more important to be correct and accurate than to be right. I have endeavored to be a resource, both within and outside of NHES.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I have simply sought to be accurate and thorough. I have never thought, “good enough for government work,” or become jaded. It is very pleasing to find solutions and win-win outcomes when there are competing interests. Applying the law to new fact-patterns I have not seen before is intellectually delightful.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I have been on the board of an international adoption agency for over 30 years. More recently, I am on the board of Granite State Christian Legal Aid, Inc. dba Shepherd’s Call Legal Aid. Our first monthly legal clinic was on November 8, 2025. My full-time employment will be ending soon, and I plan to engage in opportunities to serve in a pro bono capacity in furtherance of Micah 6:8.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? The ability to help people in a very difficult environment for them.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? [Serving on the] Riverbend board for six transitional years.

Hon. Larry M. Smukler

Residence: Concord, NH
Family: Shannon Rule and Kara Smukler (children)
Education: Pennsylvania State University, BS (1973); Temple University School of Law, JD (1976); Maine Media College, MFA (2019)
Areas of Practice: Retired Superior Court judge
Current Firm or Employer: Retired; active practice as an artist
Past Firms or Employers: PA Public Utility Commission; MA Department of Public Utilities; Franklin Pierce Law Center; State of New Hampshire (NH Attorney General, NH Public Utilities Commission, Superior Court Associate Justice)



Seton David Siff

Residence: Concord, NH
Family: Nancy (spouse); Jonathan and Jennifer (children)
Education: DePauw University (1968); Franklin Pierce Law Center (1976)
Military Service: US Marine Corps (1969–1972)
Areas of Practice: Compensation Appeals Board, New Hampshire Department of Labor
Current Firm or Employer: Self-employed
Past Firms or Employers: Self-employed



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? Interest and opportunity.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Carroll Jones

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Pass the bar exam on the first try.

Why did you decide to become a lawyer? After undergraduate school, I continued with an M.Ed and was working as a counselor. It occurred to me that my clients would benefit much more from the practical assistance that could be provided by an attorney than the talking assistance I was providing. So, I applied to law school.

Who were your heroes or mentors? My fictional hero was Atticus Finch. I’ll always be grateful to Harold Perkins, who was my judicial mentor, friend, and colleague.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? It is an obvious but often overlooked fact that judges talk about the lawyers as much as the lawyers talk about the judges. Reputation is important. The attorneys that I most enjoyed working with were those who were well prepared, were able to hone in on the issues that were most important to the case, and who represented their clients with a high degree of professional integrity.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Before I was appointed to the bench, my most memorable case was when I worked in the Attorney General’s office and represented the state in the PSNH bankruptcy. As a judge, there were many memorable cases – some were highly publicized and some were not. I was most proud of the work I did on those cases where my overall goal of getting it right coincided with achieving appropriate justice for the litigants under the facts and the law.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were

most meaningful to you? Since I retired, I have served on the boards of several nonprofits.

Edward W. Stewart, Jr.

Residence: Brookfield, CT

Family: Leslie (wife); Edward III, Kate-lynn (children)

Education: Bowdoin College (1973); University of Maine School of Law (1976)

Areas of Practice: Workers' compensation and personal injury litigation

Current Firm or Employer: Retired

Past Firms or Employers: Office of the Attorney General; Brown & Nixon; Nixon, Hall & Hess; Hall & Stewart; Stewart & Murphy; Shaheen & Gordon; New Hampshire Department of Labor; Workers' Compensation Appeals Board



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? Growing up during the social changes of the late 1960s and early 1970s instilled in me a strong sense of civic responsibility and fairness. I was drawn to the law as a way to serve others, and I ultimately focused my practice on workers' compensation, representing individuals injured on the job. It provided a meaningful opportunity to advocate for people at a vulnerable time in their lives and to help ensure they were treated fairly.

Who were your heroes or mentors? I have been fortunate to have been guided by several important mentors throughout my career. David Souter, my first employer, instilled in me the importance of ethics and professional values that have remained central to my work. Stanley Brown and David Nixon taught me the fundamentals of preparing and trying a case, shaping my development as a trial lawyer. Mike Hall, my longtime partner, provided steady day-to-day mentoring and perspective that kept me grounded over the years.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Maintain objectivity at all times. Thoroughly prepare for every trial or assignment. Refrain from making negative remarks about colleagues or opposing counsel.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? In 2008, I was the first New Hampshire attorney elected as a Fellow in the College of Workers' Compensation Lawyers. In 2018, I received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the New Hampshire Association for Justice for my extensive accomplishments as an attorney, leadership and legal advocacy, and dedication to the rule of law and the right to trial by jury.

Hon. Mary Miles Teachout

Residence: Norwich, VT

Family: Peter Teachout (husband); Woden, Zephyr, Chelsea, Dillon, and Cabot (children)

Education: Harvard/Radcliffe College (1968); University of Washington Law School (1975)

Areas of Practice: Retired Vermont Superior Court Judge

Current Firm or Employer: Retired, but sitting by special assignment

Past Firms or Employers: Norris Hoyt; Brownell, Hoyt & Brooks; Brownell & Moeser; Teachout, Brooks, Moore & McNally

Why did you decide to become a lawyer? To help people, and I found it interesting to work out problems.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Norris Hoyt, sole practitioner in Norwich, Vermont, who gave me a great start in law practice.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Find a good mentor.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I was in the first group of non-resident lawyers allowed to become members of the New Hampshire Bar after the Supreme Court decision that struck down the exclusion of non-residents.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? Volunteer pro bono assignments representing people I otherwise would never have met.

Edward M. Van Dorn, Jr.

Residence: Hebron, NH

Family: Sally Batton (wife); Alexandra Van Dorn (daughter)

Areas of Practice: Whatever they say

Current Firm or Employer: Retired

Past Firms or Employers: Van Dorn & Curtiss; Van Dorn & Cullenberg; Coyle & Van Dorn; Heppner, Elwood & Van Dorn; Wolin & Garrubo



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? To correct widespread injustice.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Jerry Spence, William O. Douglas, and Thurgood Marshall.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? If you are going to be a courtroom lawyer, learn the rules of evidence and civil procedure inside and out.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? I was given the NHTLA yearly trial lawyer reward. Memorable cases: *Knapp v. Tennessee Gas Pipeline Co.* 150 NH 494 (2004); *Marquay v. Eno*, 139 NH 708 (1995); *Jackson v. Conrail*, 223 NJ Super 467 (App. Div. 1988).

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I'm a member of a variety of nonprofit boards, including Pemi Valley Habitat for Humanity, the Bridge House, and a homeless shelter in Plymouth.

Richard J. Walsh, III

Residence: Bedford, NH

Family: Carol S. Walsh (spouse); Richard J. Walsh, Stephen C. Walsh (sons)

Education: Brandeis University (1973); Case Western Reserve University School of Law (1976)

Areas of Practice: Plaintiff's personal injury and retirement

Current Firm or Employer: Richard J. Walsh, III, PA

Past Firms or Employers: McDowell & Osburn; Law Office of Emile Busiere



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? Not smart enough for medical school, but I loved to argue and to work for underdogs.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Judges Marty Loughlin, John King, and William Batchelder, who gave me my first job in 1976. Attorney James A. Connor, a true "Philosopher King" of the law.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? "Do the right thing. It will gratify some people and astonish the rest." – Mark Twain

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Any time you could win a jury verdict and beat the offer. Any time I argued at the New Hampshire Supreme Court and won.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? I was a longtime volunteer neutral in the original Rule 170 program in superior court. I was involved in scouting for Pack 5 and Troop 414 Boy Scouts of America in Bedford as an assistant scoutmaster and merit badge counselor for the citizenship badges (community, nation, and world).

Why did you decide to become a lawyer?

"Not smart enough for medical school, but I loved to argue and to work for underdogs."

— Richard J. Walsh, III

William (Ned) Whittington

Residence: Hanover, NH

Family: Christiana Whittington (spouse)

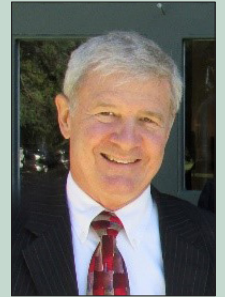
Education: Duke University Law School (1976)

Military Service: Captain, US Army JAGC, Kaiserslautern, Germany

Areas of Practice: Commerical litigation and general corporate

Current Firm or Employer: Whittington Law Associates, PLLC

Past Firms or Employers: Bell, Boyd & Lloyd (Chicago), now K L Gates; Brooks McNally Whittington Platto & Vitt; Whittington, Melendy & Girdwood



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? I thought it would be an effective vehicle to improve the world and provide justice.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Work hard and be fair, but don't count on the law to solve problems or bring happiness. Cultivate non-law relationships and activities which will bring lasting satisfaction and joy.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? My 1994 oral argument to the US Supreme Court in *Field v. Mans*. Also, some minor victories for clients who will never be heard of.

Howard J. Zibel

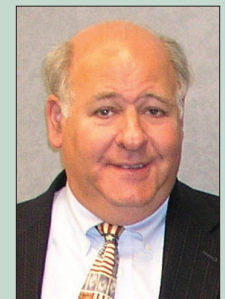
Residence: Bow, NH

Family: Gay (spouse); Cindy and Lori (children)

Education: Cornell University (1971); Cornell University Law School (1976)

Current Firm or Employer: Retired

Past Firms or Employers: Cleveland, Waters & Bass; New Hampshire Supreme Court



Why did you decide to become a lawyer? You either became a lawyer or a doctor. I chose to be a lawyer.

Who were your heroes or mentors? Ted Williams was my hero. Robert Clark was my mentor.

What advice do you have for new lawyers? Slow and steady.

What achievements are you most proud of professionally? Any memorable cases? Winning cases at the New Hampshire Supreme Court.

Were you involved in community service? If so, which were most meaningful to you? Teaching Hebrew at the local Temple Beth Jacob.

In 1976

US President
Gerald Ford

SCOTUS Chief Justice
Warren E. Burger

US Attorney General
Edward H. Levi

NH Governor
Meldrim Thomson, Jr.

NHSC Chief Justice
Frank R. Kenison

NH Attorney General
Warren B. Rudman
David H. Souter
(who later became a
US Supreme Court Justice)

Politics and National Events

Jimmy Carter elected President of the United States (November 2)
Carter defeated incumbent President Gerald Ford in a close election following the Watergate era, signaling a shift in national mood toward political reform.

United States Bicentennial celebrations (July 4)
Nationwide commemorations marked 200 years since the Declaration of Independence, including parades, public events, and international tall ships visiting US ports.

Legal and Judicial Developments

Buckley v. Valeo (January 30)
The US Supreme Court ruled that limits on campaign spending violated free speech, fundamentally reshaping campaign finance law.

Craig v. Boren (December 20)
The Court established the “intermediate scrutiny” standard for gender based discrimination cases under the Equal Protection Clause.

In re Quinlan (March 31)
A New Jersey Supreme Court decision affirmed the right to remove life support, becoming a landmark in medical ethics and end-of-life law.

Science and Technology

Viking 1 successfully lands on Mars (July 20)
The first US spacecraft to land on Mars transmitted detailed images and data from the planet’s surface.

Apple Computer Company founded (April 1)
Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak formed Apple and introduced the Apple I, accelerating the personal computer revolution.

Concorde begins commercial supersonic service (January 21)
Commercial flights between Europe and the Americas dramatically reduced transatlantic travel time.

Microsoft officially registered (November 26)
The formal incorporation of Microsoft marked an early milestone in the rise of the software industry.

Entertainment and Culture

Rocky released, becomes the year’s highest grossing film (November 21)
The film won the Academy Award for Best Picture and became a defining underdog story of American cinema.

The Muppet Show debuts on television (September 5)
Jim Henson’s groundbreaking variety show gained an international audience and long-lasting cultural influence.

United States Bicentennial influences pop culture
Red, white, and blue themes dominated music, fashion, advertising, and television throughout the year.

Sports

Summer Olympics held in Montreal
The Games were marked by a large African boycott and by extraordinary performances, especially in gymnastics.

Nadia Comăneci scores the first perfect 10 in Olympic gymnastics
At just 14, she redefined competitive gymnastics and became a global sports icon.

Super Bowl X (January 18)
The Pittsburgh Steelers defeated the Dallas Cowboys, reinforcing the Steelers’ emerging NFL dynasty.

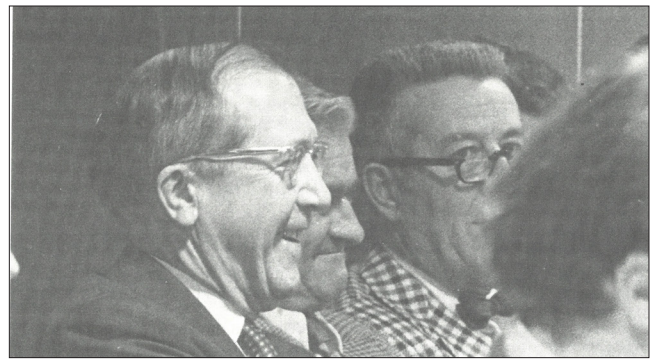
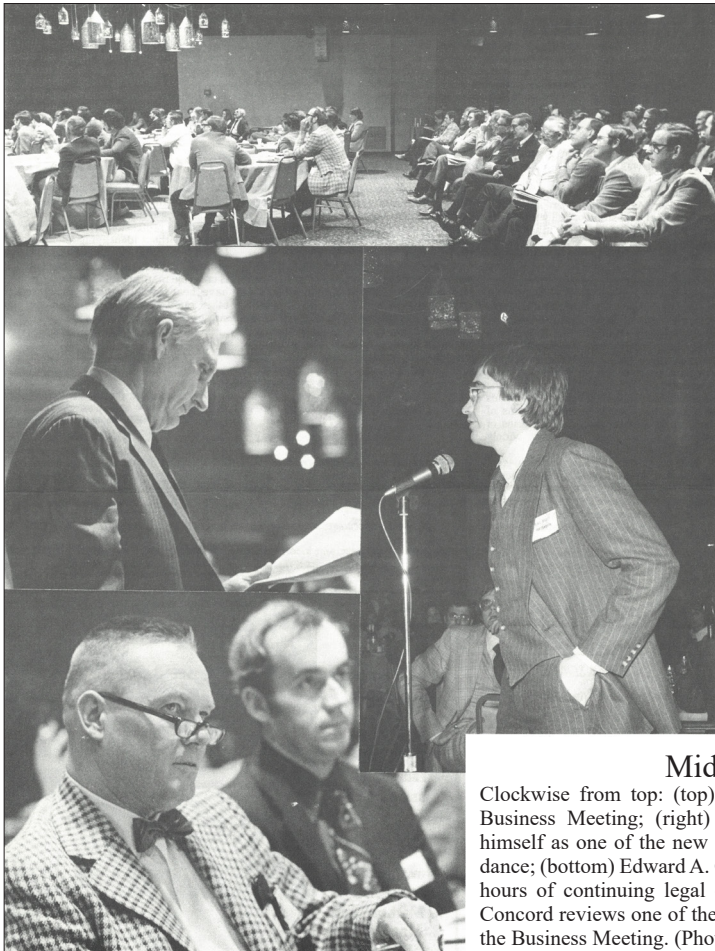
Cincinnati Reds win the World Series (October 21)
The “Big Red Machine” swept the New York Yankees for their second consecutive championship.

New Hampshire in 1976

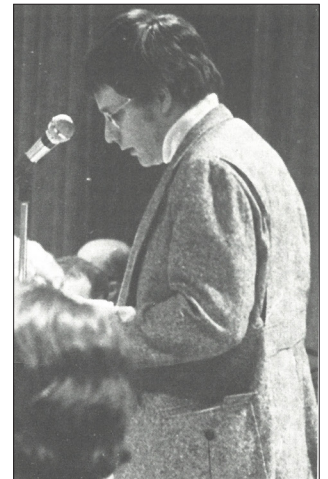
The American Freedom Train, a traveling Bicentennial exhibit, made an official stop in Manchester, drawing large crowds and showcasing historical documents and artifacts.

The Cars played their first-ever live show on December 31 at Pease Air Force Base.

Harvest Festival 1976 was held on October 2 at the Canaan Fairgrounds, featuring Bob Seger & the Silver Bullet Band, Canned Heat, and other blues rock artists. Attendance was estimated at up to 30,000 people, making it one of the largest music festivals in New Hampshire history.



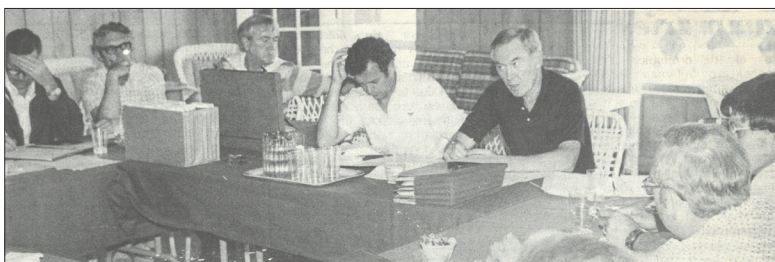
More views at the January Mid-Winter Meeting in Bedford, attended by over 360 lawyers and their spouses: top left, (left to right) Judges John King, Martin Loughlin, and Wayne Mullavey enjoy one of the light moments in the debate over advertising; right, Board Member Ross Deachman of Plymouth raises a question about a committee report.



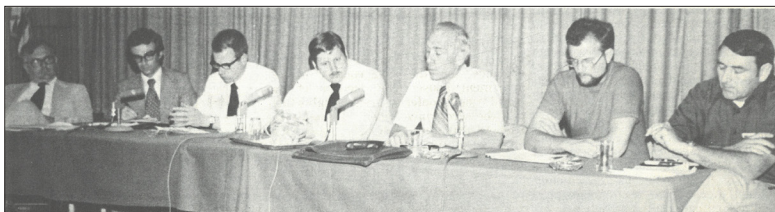
Mid-Winter Meeting

Clockwise from top: (top) a quorum was never in doubt for the 1976 Business Meeting; (right) William G. Scott of Portsmouth introduces himself as one of the new admittees welcomed by the Friday dinner and dance; (bottom) Edward A. Gage of Exeter takes in one of the 21 classroom hours of continuing legal education offered; (center) Robert P. Bass of Concord reviews one of the 26 committee reports submitted in advance of the Business Meeting. (Photos by Richard Grady)

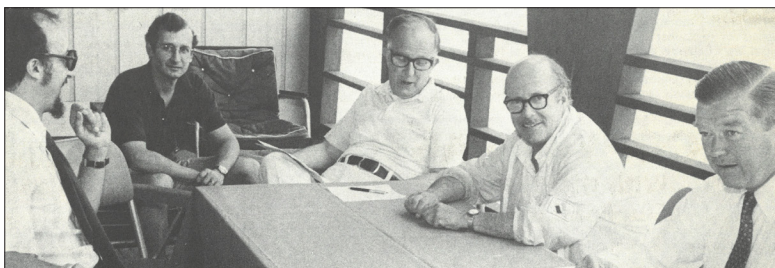
Views from the Annual Meeting



Top: Joseph M. Kerrigan presides over his last Board of Governors' meeting. Left to right, incoming Secretary Louie C. Elliott of Newport, incumbent Governor Lawrence E. Spellman of Concord, Vice President and President-elect John B. Pendleton of Concord, Kerrigan, Vice President-elect Robert L. Chiesa (dotted shirt) of Manchester, Grafton Governor L. Jonathan Ross of Manchester.



Second photo: The full panel at work on "Recreation-Related Law." William D. Paine of North Conway, James E. Higgins of Manchester, White Mountain Natural Resources Coordinator John Howe, Panel Chairman William H. Hopkins of Plymouth, State Parks Director George Hamilton, Society for the Protection of NH Forests Community Affairs Director Malcolm Taylor and AMC Hut System Manager Joel White.



Bottom: Members of the Special Committee on the Administration of Justice. Left to right: John M.A. Rolli of Littleton, George R. Freund of Keene, Ernest L. Bell of Keene, N. Michael Plaut of Keene, and Chairman Mayland H. Morse of Concord.

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More Annual Meeting Views

Left: Poolside drama, excerpts from the Spoon River Anthology, was part of the Lawyers' Wives of NH Program.

Top: NH Legal Assistance Director (and *Law Weekly* co-publisher) George Bruno, with Nashua attorney Laura Kahn, conversing at one of the social functions.

Bottom: Joseph M. Kerrigan, NH Gov. Meldrim Thomson, Jr., and President-elect John B. Pendleton talk just before the banquet at which Thomson spoke and at which President Kerrigan was given a standing ovation for his successful year in the top Bar office.



At a meeting of the NH Bar Special Committee on Education, the Law Related Education Project is discussed by Past President Arnold P. Hanson of Berlin, Co-Chairman Hon. William A. Grimes of Dover, Michael C. Meyers of Concord, Co-Chairman Anthony A. McManus of Dover, and Past President Donald R. Bryant of Dover. Also present were Ernest A. Jette of Nashua and Bar Executive Director Joseph S. Hayden.



...And Still Another View of the Annual Meeting

A portion of the panel and audience in "Hour in Handle Publicity for You and Your Clients" at the NH Bar Association's summer meeting. Left to right, William A. Kelley of Manchester, *Concord Monitor* Reporter Margaret Warner, Micki Stiller of Concord, and John Czeucik of Manchester.



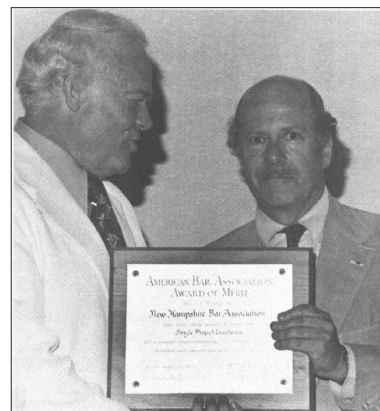
One of the Land Use Seminar panels: Peter Rotch (far left) of Manchester, NH Bar President John Pendleton of Concord, Panel Co-chairmen Peter Guenther and Robert Eaton of Manchester, and Continuing Legal Education Restudy Committee Chairman James Muirhead, also of Manchester.



A view of the audience at a 1976 Land Use Planning and Control Seminar in Concord. The excellent program attracted more than 275 registrants.

Attorney N. Michael Plaut of Keene (right), NH Bar Association delegate to the American Bar Association, receives an ABA Award of Merit for Single Project Excellence from past ABA President Chesterfield Smith. The award honored the NH Bar Association for beginning its monthly *Bar News* and its successor, the *NH Law Weekly*, at an annual cost of only about \$4 per lawyer (3 NHLAW 45). Such publications had previously been considered beyond the ability and resources of a small state bar association.

Owned by its publishers, *Law Weekly* was supported primarily by advertising. However, the Bar Association bought a subscription for all of its 1,300-plus members at a cost of \$5,800 per year.



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*This list is not all-inclusive of the 2026 50-year members. Some of our members who have practiced law for 50 years did not wish to be recognized (not listed here), and some did not wish to answer the questionnaire (listed here but not profiled within the booklet).

