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I want to serve you as a Guilford County district court judge. For almost two decades, I have worked in both public service positions and in private law firms and have represented people from all walks of life in civil and criminal matters.

I have handled and tried cases in six very different counties all with diverse populations. I won some and I lost some, but I learned from them all. As a result, I have gained valuable insight that I would bring with me to the bench.

If chosen, I will treat all people with dignity and respect. I will strive to continually educate myself on all areas of the law, approach legal and factual issues from an unbiased perspective, learn from my mistakes, and resolve to handle the unexpected with wisdom and grace. I will further work to be introspective, humble, and temper justice with mercy.

Guilford County is my home and where I chose to raise my family. I love my work, my work family, and the law. I've already met many of you and encourage those of you I don't know to reach out.

On February 9, vote to have me serve you and the citizens of Guilford County as a district court judge.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2020 - Present Garrett, Walker, Aycoth, & Olson Greensboro, NC

Trial Attorney

- District and Superior court criminal practice in Guilford and Randolph Counties
- Focus on Driving While Impaired and traffic cases
- Handle 50B and 50C cases
- Handle DMV hearings

2015 - 2020 Dummit Fradin

High Point, NC

Attorney/Managing Attorney

- District and Superior court criminal practice in Forsyth, Guilford, and Randolph Counties
- Focused on Driving While Impaired and traffic cases
- Handled domestic civil matters including custody and 50B and 50C cases
- Supervised criminal docketing paralegal and law office staff

2011 - 2015 Forsyth County Public Defender's Office

Winston-Salem, NC

Assistant Public Defender

- Represented indigent individuals in misdemeanor and felony cases in Forsyth County district and superior courtrooms
- Handled district court bench trials and superior court jury trials

2003 - 2011 The Legal Aid Society of NW NC, Inc./Legal Aid of NC, Inc.

Winston-Salem, NC

Staff Attorney

- Draft pleadings, motions, and orders for custody, visitation and divorce
- Handle 10-day hearings for 50B Domestic Violence Protective Orders in Forsyth, Stokes, Surry and Yadkin Counties; including motions, negotiations, consent orders and trials as needed
- Represented and negotiated on behalf of clients subject to home foreclosure
- Represented clients in permanent and temporary custody actions
- Acted as Guardian ad Litem for minor children in high-conflict custody cases through CAP program, 2004-2007
- Consulted and corresponded with prospective clients on matters such as custody, visitation, and emancipation
- Taught pro se clinics on Divorce and Custody at public library
- Developed pro se materials for Grandparents seeking Custody
- Cooperated with Domestic Violence Advocacy Organizations
- Serviced Spanish-speaking clientele with assistance of translator

1997 - 1999 Guardian Ad Litem Program

Winston-Salem, NC

Volunteer Advocate

- Interviewed juveniles, family members, and social workers
- Organized and summarized case reports for Court presentation
- Presented case recommendation in Court regarding restoration of stable home environment

OTHER EXPERIENCE

- 2019 (March) ABC'S of DWI Raleigh, NC
Instructor
- Prepared and filmed continuing legal education seminar on the fundamentals DWI litigation in district court
- 2016 (February) The Criminal Defense Trial from Start to Finish Raleigh, NC
Instructor
- Prepared continuing legal education seminar on opening and closing statements
- 2010 (June) North Carolina Domestic Violence Protective Orders Winston-Salem, NC
Instructor
- Prepared continuing legal education seminar on representing plaintiffs in 50B protective order actions, presented live and broadcast remotely to several locations of Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge and Rice, PLLC, in North Carolina
- 2010 (February) Trial Briefs Magazine
- Featured in an article about the representation of a disabled woman whose home was saved from foreclosure
- 2005 (Spring) Courses for Community, Salem College Winston-Salem, NC
Instructor
- Developed and taught course for LSAT preparation

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- 2003 - Present North Carolina State Bar
- 2017 - Present High Point Bar Association
- 2015 - Present Greensboro Bar Association
- 2003 - 2015 Forsyth County Bar Association
- 2005 - 2009 Forsyth County Women's Attorney's Association
Secretary/Treasurer, 2006-2007
Vice-President, 2007-2008
- 2009 - 2011 Board Member of the Hispanic League in Winston-Salem
Chair of PR/Marketing Committee

EDUCATION

- 1999 - 2002 Campbell University Norman Adrian Wiggins School of Law Buies Creek, NC
Juris Doctor
- Finalist, 2000 Client Counseling Competition
 - Secretary, 2001-2002 term, Christian Legal Society
 - Member, 1999-2001, Legal Runarounds
 - Member, 2001, American Bar Association
 - Class Honors, Church and State
- 1995 - 1999 Salem College Winston-Salem, NC
Bachelor of Arts in English, Minor in Sociology; cum laude
- Member Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honor Society,
 - Vice President Sigma Tau Delta English Honor Society,
 - Mortar Board, Academic Council
 - Harry and Hanna Smith Social Science Scholar
 - Five-time recipient, Dean's List