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Education

University of Toledo College of Law
Toledo, Ohio
J.D., *cum laude*, 1980
Editor, *Toledo Law Review*

University of Notre Dame
Notre Dame, Indiana
M.A., 1975
B.A., 1972

Legal

Employment

Varnum
Grand Rapids, Michigan 1985
Partner
Chairman, Health Care Practice Group

Admitted to Practice:
United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan
All Michigan state courts

Practice

Area

Health Care and Life Sciences Law

Professional Affiliations

State Bar of Michigan
American Bar Association (Forum Committee on Health Law)
Michigan Bar Association (Health Law Committee)
Grand Rapids Bar Association
American Health Lawyers Association
Michigan Society of Hospital Attorneys (past President)
Antitrust Substantive Law Committee (AAHA)

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Honors

Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® since 1993

Publications

"The Quest for Clarity: The In and Outs of an Excess Benefit Transaction"
Michigan Health & Hospitals (November/December 1998)

"Hospital Joint Ventures"
Michigan Health & Hospitals (May/June 1998)

"Combating Billing Problems"
Michigan Health & Hospitals (November/December 1997)

"Democratic Decision: No Constitutional Support for Assisted Suicide"
Michigan Health & Hospitals (September/October 1997)

"Physician Recruitment Incentives"
Michigan Health & Hospitals (July/August 1997)

"Worker Classifications: The Redefined Role of the Independent Contractor"
Michigan Health & Hospitals (May/June 1997)

"Proceed with Care: Hospital Board Fiduciary Responsibilities"
Michigan Health & Hospitals (March/April 1997)

"Taxpayers Bill of Rights 2: The Emergency of Intermediate Sanctions"
Michigan Health & Hospitals (January/February 1997)

"PHO Legal Issues" -- Michigan Health Care Institute, March 1994;

"Exclusive Contracts" -- Michigan Health Care Institute, March 1994;

"Advocacy vs. Lobbying vs. Political Activity"--Lobbying in The Non-Profit Sector
Conference, September 1993;

"Michigan Health Law Update"--Northwest Michigan Medical Records Association,
June 1993;

"Health Law Update-1993"--Lorman Business Center (Grand Rapids), June 1993;

"Risk Management in the Emergency Room"--Michigan Health Care Institute, November
1992;

"Health Law Update"--Michigan Medical Records Association, October, 1992;

"Confidentiality of Medical Records"--Lorman Business Center, November 1991;

"Practice Agreements and Contracts of Employment"--Blodgett Hospital Surgical
Practice Residency Program, July 1991;

"Healthcare Regulation"-- Grand Valley State University Physical Therapy Program,
June 1991;

"Michigan Health Law Update"--Mercy Health Services Attorney Symposium, May
1991;

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"Hospital Marketing and the Doctrine of Ostensible Agency"--Michigan Health Care Institute, April 1991;

"Legal Implications of Medical Record Documentation Practices"--Metropolitan Hospital Medical Staff Forum, December 1990;

"Patient Right to Refuse Treatment"--Annual Meeting, Healthcare Association of Michigan, September 1990

Co-Author: Agency Advice Task Force Report

Community Involvement

Diocesan Catholic Schools (Board Member, 2004 - present)

Foundation for Catholic Secondary Education of Greater Grand Rapids (Board, 2000 - present)

Catholic Secondary Schools Board (Board Member, 1999 - present)

Saint Mary's Mercy Medical Center Institutional Review Board (1994 - present)

Saint Mary's Doran Foundation (Board Member, 1990 - present)

St. John Vianney Educational Foundation (past President , 1992 - 2001)

School of Public Administration, Masters' Degree Program, "Health Law and Ethics," Grand Valley State University (Adjunct Faculty, 1995 - 1998)

Dispute Resolution Center of West Michigan (Board Member, 1995 - 1997)

Mercy Respite Care Corporation (Board Member, 1990 - 1996)

World Affairs Council of West Michigan (Board Member , 1990 - 1994)

Leadership Grand Rapids (1992 - 1993)

The Health Channel (Board Member, 1990 - 1992)

Notre Dame Club of Grand Rapids (past President, 1991)