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Presenter, *Child Protection Proceedings in Michigan*, University Health Education Committee Symposium on Child Abuse and Neglect, University of Detroit Mercy, January, 2003.

- Member, American Bar Association
- Member, American Association of Law Schools
- Member, State Bar of Michigan
- Executive Committee Member, Children's Law Section State Bar of Michigan
- Member of the Legislation Drafting Committee, Children's Law Section, SBM
- Elected to two-year term Council Children's Law Section, SBM (2021-2023).
- Member, Association of Legal Writing Directors. Served as member of the Publishing Committee of the Association of Legal Writing Directors for the 2012-2013 academic year and Program Committee, ALWD Conference, July 2009
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- Volunteer, Shelter Association of Washtenaw County (Member of Program and Finance Committees).
- Wish Coordinator, Make a Wish of Michigan. South Oakland Shelter – a non-profit dedicated to serving the homeless population of Oakland County. Chairperson of the Board of Directors 2014-2016.
- Member of the planning committee for the Legal Writing Institute sessions for the 2014 AALS Conference.
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Responsibilities principally involved outreach and educational efforts to increase

Served as a member of the Board of Directors and Committee Chairperson (1994-1995) and as the Executive Director and Corporate Counsel (1995-1997).

Assisted the managing partner, on a contractual basis, with various cases involving land use issues and municipal litigation, together with Applications for Leave to Appeal to the Michigan Supreme Court.

Represented clients in family law matters, including child protection proceedings, and civil rights litigation. Litigated an attorney malpractice case and prepared appeals to the Michigan Court of Appeals and a Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the U.S. Supreme Court.

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