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EDUCATION/DEGREES

Maria College, Albany, New York, USA Certificate in Gerontology, 2007

Albany Law School, Albany, NY, USA Juris Doctorate, June 1984

Siena College, Loudonville, New York, USA - B.A., Political Science, August 1981. Graduation with Honors

PROFESSIONAL and LEGAL EXPERIENCE

International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse (INPEA) Secretary General and General Counsel (2002- to present)

New York State Office of Children and Family Services

Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Adult Services 52 Washington Street Rm. 322N

Rensselaer NY 12144 USA

March 2000 - May 2007

New York State Dept of Health Div of Legal Affairs

Associate Counsel

Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct Corning Tower. ESP, Albany, NY 12237

1999-2000

Office of the New York State Attorney General

Asst. Deputy Attorney General,

Program Development & Community Relations:

Elder Law Unit Head, 1996 to 1999

Deputy Bureau Chief, Div of Public Advocacy Consumer Frauds and Protection Bureau, 1995 to 1998 Albany, New York

The Somers Law Firm (Private Practice)

Nassau, New York 12123 1989 to present

Rensselaer County Public Defender's Office Assistant Public Defender Troy, New York 12181 1987 to 1995

Town of Schodack Planning Board, Zoning, Building Dept Attorney Castleton, New York 12033 1988 to 1993

Powers, Stahl & Somers 1986 to Dec. 1989 Partner Albany, New York 12207 1985- Assoc ,1984 Clerk

Rensselaer County County Attorney's Office June to Dec. 1983

Troy, New York 12180

(Clinic Credit)

Legal Aid Society Albany, New York June to Sept 1982 (Vol & Clinic Credit)

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION EXPERIENCE

Smith's Farms

Family owned and operated dairy farm Nassau, New York 12123

1980 to present

Nassau Merchandising Corp.

Family owned and operated retail hardware store

Nassau, New York 12123 1980 to 1997

ACTIVITIES AND HONORS

UN International Day of Older Persons, 2008 Co Chair, CoNGO Comm on Ageing, NY
New York State Division for Women 1996-2003
UN International Year of Older Person (IYOP)
New York State - Steering Committee. 1999
Political Science Honors, Siena College, 1981-1982
P.T.K. Honor Society, Jr. College of Albany, 1979
Third Judicial Dist, NYS. Judicial Nomination Delegate.
Rensselaer County Coalition Against Abuse, 1996-present
Judicial Review Committee, Albany Co. Bar Assoc. 1987-1989
Legal Aid Pro Bono Panel, 1985-1991
Albany County Domestic Violence Committee, 1984-1985
Women's Law Caucus, Albany Law School
Domestic Violence Advocate, 1981-1984

LICENSES/ADMISSIONS

New York State Bar--Admitted January, 1985, Third Dept.NY USA Special Admission to Practice--June 1983, Third Dept.NY USA U.S. Dist. Court, Northern District of N.Y.--Admitted 1991

ASSOCIATIONS

International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, 2002-present State Society on Aging, NY - Board Member 2007-Present NY State Coalition Against Elder Abuse - 2006- present National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, 1999 Lawyers for Elder Abuse Prevention of NY (LEAP-NY) 1999-2003 (Founder) Italian American Bar Association - Secretary 2002-2004 American Lung Association Advisory Committee, 1986-1987 Schodack Business Association, Director, 1993- 1999