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Experience:

1/1/77-2/11/05 Chief Judge of the 49th Judicial Circuit, Attorney specializing in ADR and litigation consulting. Taught Business Law at Ferris State University [one-year temporary full-time]. During law school, clerked for law firm Plunkett, Cooney, Rutt, Waters, Stanczyk & Peterson in its Detroit office.

Education:

Juris Doctor, University of Detroit, 1975. BS in Business Administration, Ferris State College [now University], 1971

Professional Organizations:

ABA, Sections of Dispute Resolution & Litigation; Mich State Bar Assoc, Sections of Alternative Dispute Resolution [Co-Chair of Judicial Access Team]; American Arbitration Forum, Commercial Arbitrator; Nat'l Arbitration Forum, Panel of Arbitrators and Mediators; MERC Grievance Arbitrator and Fact Finder; U S Dist. Court for the Western Dist of Mich, Roster of Arbitrators and Case Evaluators; Western Mich Chapter Federal Bar Assoc, Mecosta-Osceola Bar Assoc.

Charges:

Per Dien: \$800, plus actual costs and mileage per State policy
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