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BACKGROUND AND EDUCATION

- ◆ Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, April 19, 1949.
- ◆ Juris Doctor degree, 1974, University of Wisconsin Law School.
- ◆ B.A. Degree, Public Affairs, 1972, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

POSITION

- ◆ Founder, executive officer, mediator and arbitrator, A Neutral View, LLC. 2014.
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JUDICIAL

- ◆ Circuit Court Judge, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Elected in 1992, 1998, 2004 and 2010.
- ◆ Presiding judge in tens of thousands of civil and criminal lawsuits -- from misdemeanors to homicides, from small claims to multi-million dollar verdicts -- including several hundred full jury trials.
- ◆ Member of the steering committee for CCAP, the Consolidated Court Automation Project. This committee is responsible for computer and automation planning and policy throughout the Wisconsin court system, 1997 – 2013. Key advocate of free access to court case data on the Internet.
- ◆ Design committee member for the circuit court records website: CCAP.WiCourts.gov.
- ◆ Chair, Computer and Technology Committee of the Circuit Court Judges of Milwaukee County, 1995 to 2001.
- ◆ Member, Milwaukee County inter-governmental ad hoc committee on efficiency for the criminal justice system, 1996 - 1997. Chair, Committee to Reform Pretrial Procedures for misdemeanor cases in Milwaukee County, 1993 - 1994.
- ◆ Member, Governor's Task Force on Reform of traffic laws. Recommended legislation to improve Wisconsin's laws prohibiting the operation of motor

vehicles under the influence of alcohol, and to make the laws against operating after license revocation fair and simple. 1995 - 1996.

TEACHING

- ◆ Faculty, National Judicial College, Reno, Nevada, teaching the law of evidence to judges from throughout the United States and Territorial Islands, including general jurisdiction, special court, and military judges. 2003 – 2011.
- ◆ Faculty, Civil Evidence Workshop for Wisconsin Judges, teaching the courtroom use of electronically stored information. 2007 and 2008.
- ◆ Presenter, Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges, teaching character evidence to the assembly of Pennsylvania judges. 2008.
- ◆ Presenter, State Public Defender of Wisconsin Conference, on character, habit and other acts evidence, 2008.
- ◆ Teacher, Washington Board of Industrial Insurance Appeals, presenting concepts of relevancy, unfair prejudice and impeachment to the administrative law judges of the State of Washington. 2005.
- ◆ Lecturer for the Milwaukee Bar Association, 1998 – 2009, on various subjects, including :
 - expedited court procedures for business cases,
 - character evidence and evidence of other acts,
 - the ins and outs of CCAP, (Consolidated Courts Automation Project),
and
 - trial tips for attorneys, in including the use of plain language in court.
- ◆ Presenter, Wisconsin Judicial College, on computer uses for judges, including the revolutionary new technology called “the Internet”. 1995 – 1999.
- ◆ Guest lecturer and mock trial commentator, Marquette Law School, on trial techniques and media law. 2007 - 2009.
- ◆ Visiting Expert and Guest Lecturer, University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee, Marquette University, Carroll College, Milwaukee Area Technical College and Cardinal Stritch College on criminal justice, the Bill of Rights, computer and copyright law, and the role of an attorney. 1982 - 2007.

- ◆ Moderator and speaker at seminars for attorneys sponsored by the State Bar of Wisconsin, Marquette University Law School, Wisconsin Academy of Trial Lawyers and the Milwaukee Bar Association. 1979 - 1992.

PREVIOUS LEGAL and BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

- ◆ Partner, Kahn & Flynn, S.C., (and predecessor firms) concentrating on litigation, including business, criminal and juvenile legal issues. Trial and appellate advocacy, 1979 - 1992.
- ◆ Owner and Manager, the Colby-Abbot Building Company. Responsible for the leasing and operation of a 65,000 square foot multi-tenant downtown Milwaukee office building. 1979 - 1992.
- ◆ Counsel for the Board of Attorneys Professional Responsibility, by appointment of the Wisconsin Supreme Court. Representation of the Board in attorney discipline proceedings, 1981 - 1991.
- ◆ Special prosecutor pro tem for the State of Wisconsin, by appointment of the Chief Judge of Milwaukee County Circuit Court, 1981 - 1982.
- ◆ Chief Staff Attorney at Milwaukee County Children's Court, Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee. Administrative responsibilities included the supervision and training of a ten-attorney staff. Trial duties included advocacy for children and parents in abuse, neglect and delinquency cases, 1978 - 1979.
- ◆ Trial Attorney, Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee. 1976 - 1978.
- ◆ Staff Attorney, Keshena Office, Wisconsin Indian Legal Services. Represented indigent Native Americans in a twelve-county area of Northeastern Wisconsin, 1975 - 1976.

HONORS AND POSITIONS OF LEADERSHIP

- ◆ Delegate to the National Board of Trustees, National Conference for Community and Justice. 1993 to 2003.
- ◆ Member, Milwaukee Jewish Council, for Community Relations, 1999 - 2004.
- ◆ President, American Jewish Committee, Milwaukee Chapter, 1999 - 2002.

- ◆ Founder (with others) Milwaukee Ethnic Council. – building bridges among the ethnic heritages in the Milwaukee area, 1989. President, 1991, 1992.
- ◆ Board of Directors, Hispanic Coalition of Milwaukee, 1991, 1992.
- ◆ Board of Directors, COA Youth and Family service organization, 1985 - 1990 and 1995 - 1998.
- ◆ Member, Wisconsin State Public Defender Board, by appointment of Wisconsin Governor, 1985 - 1989.
- ◆ Wisconsin Civil Liberties Union volunteer attorney 1983 – 1991.
- ◆ Recipient of the *first* Pro Bono Award presented by the Posner Foundation for "outstanding contribution to the giving of pro bono legal services to the needy of Milwaukee", 1983.
- ◆ Witness before committees of the Wisconsin Senate and Assembly on proposed legislation relating to the rights of and in favor of a Children's Trust Fund, 1981 and 1983.
- ◆ Board of Directors, Parents Anonymous of Greater Milwaukee, Inc. (now known as The Parenting Network), 1980 - 1984.
- ◆ Board of Directors, State Bar of Wisconsin Young Lawyers Division, 1980 - 1982.
- ◆ Chair, Criminal Justice Committee, Milwaukee Young Lawyers Association, 1980 - 1981.
- ◆ "Outstanding Young Lawyer for 1980" award by the Milwaukee Jaycees.

HOBBIES

- ◆ Wildlife photography, world travel, kayaking and aviation.

PERSONAL

- ◆ Married to Patti Keating Kahn.
- ◆ Three amazing grandsons.