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Skills Summary

For 30 years I have partnered with clients, colleagues, and stakeholders to address, resolve, and develop systems to avoid, complex cross-border legal challenges. The borders may be national, cultural, or institutional. The approach is the same. I lead multi-disciplinary teams to achieve extraordinary results and satisfy the most demanding clients.

Education

Yale Law School, J.D. 1993; Managing Editor, *The Yale Law Journal*

Popular Sovereignty in Pennsylvania, 1776-1791, 67 Temple L.R. 575 (1994)

Syracuse University, B.A. 1989 with Honors; 1989 Syracuse Scholar

Experience

Paul Hastings LLP Partner; 2019 to 2024

Steptoe & Johnson LLP Partner; 2004 – 2019

Williams & Connolly LLP Associate; 1999-2003

Chambers-recognized leading practitioner representing individuals and institutions in complex multi-jurisdiction enforcement matters. Called out in national publications for “clever” and groundbreaking tactics and initiatives.

Developed sustainable governance solutions geared to reducing corruption risk and enhancing civil society in host communities and countries for multiple for- and no-profit organizations.

Extensive board and senior executive counseling.

Developed and audited an innovative system for the transparent valuation and acquisition of traditionally collectively owned lands in rural areas of Tanzania.

Developed the Transparent Lending Principles, a public-disclosure-based methodology for ensuring that both lenders and the citizenry of borrowers are aware of sovereign debt taken on by fragile sovereigns.

Jury trials of major trade secret and professional liability issues. Prevailed in a criminal trial held in the Princely Court of First Instance in Vaduz, Liechtenstein.

Handled numerous Congressional investigations and served as press-facing resource for clients.

US Senate Gov't Affairs Committee; Investigative Counsel; 1996-1998

One of first staffers on investigation of foreign influence in US elections. Conducted investigations, organized televised hearings. Extensive interface with elected officials.

US Court of Appeals for the First Circuit; Law Clerk to Hon. Conrad K. Cyr; 1993-1995

Lived in Downeast Maine while supporting chambers of Federal Appellate Judge.

US Forest Service; Wilderness Ranger, Teton Wilderness Area; 1988

Lived independently in a 100-year-old patrol cabin; responsible for enforcing bear regulations and the upkeep and construction of paddock and corral fencing using only hand tools.

Community Involvement

Firefighter, Blue Hill (Volunteer) Fire Department

Member, East Blue Hill Village Improvement Association

Global Internet Forum to Combat Terrorism

Pro Bono external counsel to preeminent organization working to prevent the spread of terrorist recruiting content, glorifications of terroristic violence, and live streaming of terrorist attacks. Regularly advise board and executive leadership on organizational and programmatic issues.

District of Columbia Bar

Hearing Commissioner presiding over attorney disciplinary proceedings including disbarment cases.
Ten-year Member of the Committee on the Unauthorized Practice of Law.