

Résumé

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PERSONAL DATA

Place of Birth: Hackensack, New Jersey
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EDUCATION

Williams College, B.A. 1964
University of Colorado School of Law, J.D. 1972
Board of Editors, *University of Colorado Law Review*, 1971-72

PROFESSIONAL

Bar Admission 1972
Member: Merrimack County, New Hampshire, and American Bar Associations
New Hampshire Bar Association Activities: Continuing Legal Education
Committee (past chair); Delivery of Legal Services Committee (past chair);
Committee on Professionalism (past chair); Ethics Committee (member); New
Hampshire Supreme Court Judiciary and Media Committee (member).

Courts: New Hampshire; United States District Court for the District of New
Hampshire; United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit; United States
Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

Area of Practice: Bill concentrates on media law. He represents the *Concord
Monitor, Keene Sentinel, Valley News* and several weekly newspapers on a
regular basis. He has represented national publications such as *The New York
Times, USA Today, Time, Fortune, and Business Week* as well as The
Associated Press in defending against lawsuits brought in New Hampshire,
protecting news sources and obtaining access to governmental proceedings and
records. Bill has served as a faculty member in libel and access seminars put on

by the American Newspaper Publishers Association, New England Press Association, Practising Law Institute, and the New Hampshire Bar Association.

Awards: New Hampshire Bar Association E. Donald Dufresne Award for Outstanding Professionalism, 1999; New Hampshire Bar Association President's Award 1982

CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

Past Boards: Opportunity House, Inc.; Fellowship House, Inc.; New Hampshire Alpine Racing Association; Friends of Norris Cotton Cancer Center; United Way of Merrimack County
Present Boards: New Hampshire Public Radio, Board of Trustees; New Hampshire Humanities Council, Board of Trustees
Awards: United Way 1997 Leadership Award

MEDIA AND FIRST AMENDMENT APPELLATE DECISIONS

Thomson v. Cash, 117 N.H. 653 (1977)
Downing v. Monitor Publishing, 120 N.H. 383 (1980)
State v. Siel, 122 N.H. 254
Duchesnaye v. Munro Enterprises, Inc., 125 N.H. 244 (1984)
Petition of Chapman, 128 N.H. 24 (1986)
Hayes v. Valley News, 141 N.H.464 (1996)
Douglas v. Douglas, 146 N.H. 205 (2001)
Petition of State of New Hampshire (Bowman Search Warrants), 146 N.H. 621 (2001)

Kassel v. Gannett Co., Inc., 875 F.2d 935 (1st Cir. 1989)
Hugel v. Milberg Weiss Bershad Hynes & Lerach, LLP, et al., 175 F.3d 14 1st Cir. 1999)
Gray v. St. Martin's Press, 221 F.3d 243 (1st Cir. 2000)
Howard v. Antilla, 294 F.3d 244 (1st Cir. 2002)

ARTICLES

Bill is the author of "Survey of New Hampshire Libel Law," published as a part of the *MLRC 50-State Survey Media Libel Law*. In addition, Bill authored "Lawyer-Client Sex: A *Per Se* Violation of Rule 1.7(b), published in *New Hampshire Bar News*.