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Education

J. D., West Virginia University, 1985
West Virginia Law Review 1984-1985
Articles Editor, Journal of College and University Law 1984-1985
M.A., West Virginia University, 1981 [English Education]
M.A., West Virginia University, 1975 [Counseling & Guidance]
A.B., Glenville State College, 1971 [Education]

Professional Legal Experience

West Virginia University College of Law Faculty, 1992-Present
Director, Dispute Resolution Skills Institute, 2000-Present
Courses: Alternative Dispute Resolution, Appellate Advocacy, Family Mediation Clinic, Family Mediation Seminar, Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiation, Negotiation, Negotiation Short Course (1995-2000; faculty coordinator 1998-2000), Legal Research and Writing, Independent Studies: Dispute Resolution Topics.
Co-curricular: Academic Support Program (Co-Director 2000-01); Coordinated West Virginia Governor's Honors Program Mock Trials; Directed Appellate Advocacy Program (Fall 1995); Trained law student mediators for Appalachian Center for Public Service; Judged practice rounds for National Moot Court Teams; Coordinated ABA Regional Negotiation Competition; Coached teams for ABA Regional Negotiation Competitions
Faculty Committees: Admissions (2003-2004); Awards (Chair 1998-2000); Cultural Diversity (1993-2001); Safety (1992-96); Scholarship & Awards (1992-2000; Chair 1994-2002, 2004-05); Ad-Hoc Committee on Academic Support (1995-96); Ad-Hoc Committee on Recruitment and Retention (1995-96)

Visiting Associate Professor of Law, Notre Dame Law School, 2002-03

Law Clerk 1985-92

Robert E. Maxwell, Chief Judge
United States District Court
Northern District of West Virginia
Elkins, West Virginia

Admitted to practice law in the state and federal courts of West Virginia
Mediator, United States District Court, Northern District of West Virginia
Mediator, West Virginia State Bar Mediation Referral Service
Mediator, WVU Faculty & Staff Mediation Program
Approved Family Court Mediator, West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals
Advanced Practitioner, Association of Conflict Resolution

Selected Seminars, Workshops, and Training Programs Presented

Basic Family Mediation Training, January 2005; August 2003; August 2002; January 2002; June 2001; September 2000; March 2000; April 2000; February 2000; December 1999; October 1999; September 1999; May 1999; October 1998; March 1998; November 1997; June 1997; September 1996

Conflict Mediation Training, Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery, December 2004

West Virginia Continuing Legal Education: “Advocacy in Mediation,” September 2004; “Mediation and Family Law,” September 1997; “The New Rules of Procedure for Court-Annexed Mediation,” October, 1993; “Mediation in Domestic Relations Cases,” September 1993

Advanced Civil Mediation Workshop, West Virginia State Bar, August 2004; August 2000; August 1998; August 1997; July 1996; June 1994

Conflict Resolution, Southeast Equal Employment Opportunity Officers Consortium Annual Meeting and ADA Post-Conference, WVU President’s Office for Social Justice, August 2004

Basic Civil Mediation Training, West Virginia State Bar, July 2004; 2003; 2002; 2001; 2000; 1999; 1998; 1997; July 1996; June 1995; May 1992; May 1991

In-service for Legal Assistants and Paralegals; Legal Assistants of West Virginia, June 2004; June 2003; July 2002; June 2001; June 2000; July 1999

Annual Conference on Family Mediation, West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, June 2004; July 2002; September 2000

Basic Mediation Training, WVU Faculty and Staff Mediation Program, May 2004; May 2001; January 1998; March 1995

Conflict Resolution, MountainHart Child Care Services Spring Conference, June 2002

Mediation and Conflict Resolution, West Virginia University at Parkersburg, August 2001

Conflict Resolution 2000: Mandate for the Millennium, Charleston, West Virginia, November 2000

Basic Family Mediation Screening Training, Parkersburg, West Virginia, September 2000

Annual Conference on Parent Education and Family Mediation, WVU College of Law, July 2000; July 1999

West Virginia Family Court Staff Training, West Virginia Supreme Court, July 2000

“Court-Annexed Mediation in West Virginia,” Ohio County Bar Association, June 2000; Mercer County Bar Association, July 1997; Monongalia County Bar Association, February, 1996; Harrison County Bar Association, May, 1995; Marion County Bar Association, October 1993; Mercer County Bar Association, October 1993

Basic Family Mediation Screening Training, Thomas, West Virginia, March 2000

Settlement Conference and Mediation Advocacy, USDC Northern District of West Virginia, December 1999

West Virginia Family Law in the Millennium, WVU School of Social Work, December 1999

Family Law Master Case Managers In-service, West Virginia Supreme Court, December 1999

West Virginia Social Workers Conference, Parent Education and Family Mediation, October 1999

West Virginia Insurance Association, Mediation: Proactive Claims Settlement, September 1999

West Virginia State Bar Family Law Section, Resolution through Family Mediation, September 1999

“Mandatory Mediation and Parent Education,” West Virginia CLE, September 1999

“Mandatory Mediation in the New Millennium,” West Virginia Supreme Court Family Law Masters’ Conference, September 1999

West Virginia State Fair Teleconference, Family Mediation in West Virginia, August 1999

West Virginia Children & Family Services Alliance, “Conflict Resolution and the Multi-Disciplinary Team,” June 1999

Mediation/Settlement Conference Workshop, United States Magistrate Judges, Northern District of West Virginia, June 1999

West Virginia Leadership Summit 1999, “Conflict Resolution,” April 1999

Basic Mediation Training—Trained volunteer lawyers to serve as mediators for Court-Annexed Mediation in West Virginia’s 21st and 22nd Judicial Circuits, April 1999; in West Virginia’s 26th Judicial Circuit, July 1997; West Virginia’s 28th Judicial Circuit, August, 1995

1999 Winter Bench Bar, Washington County (Pa.) Bar, “The Family—The Fuss—and The Forum,” January 1999

In addition, since joining the faculty of the WVU College of Law full time in August of 1992 through December of 1998, Professor Patrick has, on more than fifty (50) occasions, provided in-service instruction and training workshops for judges, attorneys, psychologists, and other West Virginia professionals; facilitation for West Virginia medical groups and school systems; consultation and training for West Virginia court systems, administrative agencies, and educational systems developing ADR initiatives; and guest appearances on West Virginia Public Television. A more detailed description of these initiatives may be linked from Professor Patrick’s web page, <http://www.wvu.edu/~lawfac/tpatrick/Resources/Patrick%20Bio%208-16-04.htm>

Pro Bono

On-going service as a Mediator for state and federal courts in West Virginia, including Family Law Courts, and for the West Virginia Human Rights Commission

Represented clients referred by the WVU College of Law Appalachian Center for Law and Public Service Domestic Violence Project

Mediator for the West Virginia State Bar Voluntary Fee Dispute Resolution Program

Mediator for the WVU Faculty and Staff Mediation Program

Grievance Evaluator for the WVU grievance procedures

Publications

“Mediation: Promise, Process and Pitfalls,” Views & Visions, Bowles Rice McDavid Graff & Love Newsletter, Fall 1995.

“Using Simplified Cases to Introduce Synthesis,” Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research and Writing, Vol. 3, No. 3, Spring 1995.

Work In Progress

West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals Committee on Family Mediation Ethics

Design and Implementation of the WVU College of Law Dispute Resolution Skills Institute

The Promise of the Legal Profession in Service: An Analysis of the “Settlement Week” Mediation Program in the United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia