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Profile

Senior Counsel to a Newark firm specializing in litigation; white collar defense; investigations and compliance. Trained mediator with experience in both mediations and arbitrations.

Formerly General Counsel to New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority and former Acting U. S. Attorney for one of the largest U.S. Attorney's Offices in the country. Directed and tried significant prosecutions and civil cases, including securities fraud, health care fraud, environmental, anti-terrorism, and public corruption matters. Degree from N.Y.U. Law School (Law Review), and practiced at Skadden Arps and a major N.J. firm before joining the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Mediation and Arbitration Training and Experience

Completed court-sanctioned mediation training. Participated in numerous mediations and arbitrations as well as labor-management grievance processes. Represented both unions and management in contract negotiations and labor disputes.

Experience

CALCAGNI & KANEFSKY

Senior Counsel (2018 to Present)

Specializing in the areas of criminal and regulatory defense; internal investigations and legal compliance; health care law and licensing, litigation, mediation and arbitration.

NEW JERSEY SPORTS AND EXPOSITION AUTHORITY

Senior Vice President, Legal and Governmental Affairs (2010 to 2018)

Responsibilities include advising the Authority's Board of Commissioners and President on all aspects of the Authority's business and supervising the legal staff and outside counsel.

- Significant matters include privatization of two racetracks; principal negotiator of \$1.1 billion bond issue and related deal documents for the American Dream development; principal negotiator and litigation supervisor for the resolution of multi-million dollar

claims for and against the Authority.

- Regularly handle State and Federal regulatory matters; commercial contracting matters, and all labor relations matters with seven trade unions, including contract negotiations.

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

Acting U.S. Attorney, (12/2/08-10/13/09); First Assistant U.S. Attorney, (3/02-12/08; 10/14/09-3/5/10); Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney, (1/02-3/02); Senior Litigation Counsel, (1997-2002); Assistant U.S. Attorney, Special Prosecutions Division (1992-1997); Assistant U.S. Attorney, Fraud and Public Protection Division (1987-1992); Assistant U.S. Attorney, Civil Division (1985-1987)

As Acting U.S. Attorney:

- Led U.S. Attorney's Office of 140 lawyers and 100 staff;
- Directed critical matters ranging from financial, securities, environmental, and health care fraud to extensive anti-terrorism and public corruption efforts.

As First Assistant U.S. Attorney:

- Acted as the principal advisor to the U.S. Attorney;
- Responsible for implementing all significant policies established by the U.S. Attorney;
- Supervised all major cases within the office with particular emphasis on major white collar and public corruption cases;
- Coordinated efforts with the key federal and state investigative agencies;
- Advised on and participated in all major management decisions;
- Headed all attorney hiring with an emphasis on diversity candidates;
- Served as the Acting U.S. Attorney on each occasion the U.S. Attorney was absent from the district or recused from particular matters;
- Appointed by the U.S. Attorney to serve as Ethics Officer.

HANNOCH WEISMAN, P.A., Roseland, New Jersey

Litigation Associate (1982-1985)

Civil trial and related litigation work in state and federal courts, including matters involving constitutional, land use, contract and products liability cases. Trials ranged from a First Amendment constitutional case in federal court to an 8-week contract trial against U.S. Steel in N.J. Superior Court.

SKADDEN ARPS, New York, New York

Litigation Associate (1978-1982)

Civil trial and related litigation work in areas including mergers and acquisitions, constitutional law, products liability and labor law. Trials ranged from a constitutional case in federal court to a wrongful death case for Westinghouse Corporation in state court.

Awards and Notes

- Department of Justice Director's Award (2010)

- Attorney General's John Marshal Award (2006)
- Department of Justice Special Achievement Awards (1993; 1991)
- FDA Commissioner's Special Citations (1993; 1989)
- HHS Inspector General's Integrity Award (1993)
- Member DOJ National Environmental Crimes Policy Committee (2006-2010)
- Lecturer, Environmental Crimes Summit between Italian and American prosecutors, Rome, Italy (2009)
- Lecturer, National Advocacy Center (2006-2010); FBI Academy, Quantico, VA (1998-2000)

Education

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, New York, New York, J.D. (1978)

Honors: Staff, New York University Law Review (1976-1977)

RUTGERS COLLEGE, New Brunswick, New Jersey, B.A., with honors, History (1975)

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa; Henry Rutgers Scholar

Bar Admissions

New Jersey (1978); New York (1979); District of New Jersey (1978); Southern District of New York (1979); Third Circuit Court of Appeals (1979)

Professional Associations

- New Jersey State Bar Association, Dispute Resolution; Labor and Employment Law, and Environmental Law sections
- American Bar Association, Dispute Resolution and Criminal Justice sections

Personal Notes

Trustee, Meadowlands Conservation Trust

Board member, Overlook Medical Center Advisory Board

Trustee & Trustee Emeritus, Cranford Historical Society

Assistant Scoutmaster Boy Scout Troop 178

Proficiency in Italian