

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Practice Certifications

- Circuit Court Mediator, Supreme Court of Florida 10/2/09 - Present
- Appellate Mediator, Supreme Court of Florida, 6/24/11 - Present

Licenses

- State Bar of Michigan-Emeritus
- Certified Marine Insurance Professional (CMIP) - International Institute of Marine Insurance Studies
- Florida 2-14 Life & Variable Annuity 12/09 – Present
- Property & Casualty OFIS – 2008 – 2009
- Florida 2-20 General Lines (Property & Casualty) 12/09 – Present
- Life and Variable Contracts, Michigan Insurance Bureau, 1982 – 2009
- Real Estate Broker's License, Michigan, 1977 – 2009
- FINRA Registrations:
 - Series 24, Principal, 1994 – 1995
 - Series 7, Registered Representative, 1984 - 1995
 - Series 6, Registered Representative, 1982 – 1995
 - Series 63, Registered Representative, 1982 - 1995

Education

- Juris Doctor, University of Detroit School of Law, Detroit, Michigan
- Certificate in International Law, City of London College, London, England
- Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee

Bar Admissions

- United States District Court, Western District of Michigan, 1998
- United States Supreme Court, 5/20/1996
- United States Court of Appeals (6th Circuit), 12/9/1988
- United States Tax Court, 5/29/1979
- Michigan, Wayne County Circuit Court, 12/17/1969
- Michigan Supreme Court, 12/17/1969
- United States District Court, Eastern District of Michigan, 12/17/1969

Legal Employment Experience

- Owner, Edmund J. Sikorski, Jr. P.C., Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1987 - 2009
- Partner, Conlin & Sikorski, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1982 - 1987
- Partner, Bonisteel, Bailey & Sikorski, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1971 - 1981
- Associate Attorney, Jaques Admiralty, P.C., Detroit, Michigan, 1970 - 1971
- Research Attorney, Michigan Court of Appeals, Pre-Hearing Division, Lansing, Michigan, 1969 - 1970
- Law Clerk, Bernstein & Bernstein, Detroit, Michigan, 1967 to 1969

Professional Memberships

- Florida Academy of Professional Mediators (Current)
- State Bar of Michigan (Emeritus)

- Council of Michigan Foundations (Past Member)
- National Sports Law Institute (Past Member)

Practice Concentration Areas

Business Services:

- Admiralty
- Acquisition & Divestiture
- Commercial Civil Litigation
- Condominium Documentation
- Corporate Formation & Servicing
- Insurance Law
- IRS Collection Division Workouts
- Limited Partnership Formation
- Partnership Formation
- Real Estate Transactions
- Shareholder Agreements
- Strategic Corporate Planning
- Legal Audits
- Tax Law

Personal Services:

- Real Estate Transactions
- Wills, Trusts, Powers of Attorney
- Probate Law & Administration
- Tax Law

Athletic Law Services:

- Amateur Sport Rules & Penalties
- Secondary School Sports
- Private Association Law
- ADA, Title IX, and Related Discrimination Claims
- FOIA Actions
- Sport Injuries
- Premises Liability

Major Reported Decisions:

- (1) *Berschback v. Grosse Pointe Public School District*.
Ternan v. Michigan High School Athletic Assn., 154 Mich App 102 (1986).
- (2) *Cardinal Mooney High School v. Michigan High School Athletic Assn.*, 437 Mich 75 (1991).
- (3) *Sandison v. Michigan High School Athletic Assn.*, 64 F. 3rd 1026 (6th Cir. 1995).
- (4) *McPherson v. Michigan High School Athletic Assn.*, 119 F. 3rd 453 (6th Cir.1997) (en banc).
- (5) *Kirby v. Michigan High School Athletic Assn.*, 459 Mich 23 (1998).
- (6) *Reid v. Michigan High School Athletic Assn.*, 261 Mich App 17 (2004).
- (7) *Breighner v. Michigan High School Athletic Assn.*, 471 Mich App 217 (2004).
- (8) *Communities for Equity v. Michigan High School Athletic Assn.*, 377 F3d 504 (6th Cir. 2004).
- (9) *Michigan High School Athletic Assn. v. Communities for Equity*, 544 U.S. 1012, 161 L.Ed.2d. 845 (2005).
- (10) *Communities for Equity v. Michigan High School Athletic Assn.*, 459 F.3d. 676 (6th Cir. 2006), (*rehearing and rehearing en banc denied*).
- (11) *Michigan High School Athletic Assn. v. Communities for Equity*, 127 S.Ct. 1912 (2007).
- (12) *Communities for Equity v. Michigan High School Athletic Assn.*, 459 F.3d. 676 (6th Cir. 2006).

Presenter:

- 2007 Presenter topic: Constitutional Law
- 2006 Presenter topic: Good Samaritan Legislation in Michigan
- Panelist, University of Michigan, Status of Title IX Litigation, 2003
- 2000 Presenter topic: Title IX Litigation

- 1997 Presenter topic: Anticipating Title IX Litigation
- 1992 Presenter topic: Legal Relationship between Officials and State Associations
- National Federation of High School Athletic Associations, Attorney and Executive Officials Meeting, 1989, 1990 and 1991 MHSAA Regulation V (4) (D) Principles of Restitution in Penalty Applications
- National Association of Home Builders, Washtenaw County, 1990 - New Home Warranty and the Magnuson - Moss Act
- Acquisition Divestiture and Valuation of Closely Held Companies, 1986-90
- Business and Real Estate Network, Inc.,

Nonprofit Organization Involvement:

- Bonisteel Foundation - Foundation Manager
- Eastern Michigan University – Trustees Advisory Council; President's Circle, 1999.
- Eastern Michigan University Foundation – Trustee, 1998 - 2002.
- University of Michigan Law School - Moot Court Competition Judge, Spring 1992, 1995.
- Cleary Business College - Trustee, Vice Chair Finance Committee, 1987-1992
- Life Member of the National Eagle Scout Association

Other activities:

- United States Coast Guard Merchant Marine Officer – Captain, Master 50 GT, Inland
- Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC – Maritime Transportation Security Administration)
- Executive Officer – Ann Arbor Power Squadron, 2006 - 2008
- Clinton River Boat Club, Michigan, Board of Directors, 2008 - 2009
- United States Power Squadron – Designation – Piloting (P)
- United States Power Squadron Certificates:
Seamanship, Engine Maintenance, Manual Electronics, Weather, Piloting

BIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY

Ed moved to Palm City, Florida in 2008 and is certified by the Florida Supreme Court as a Circuit Civil and Appellate Mediator.

Prior to Mediation, Ed flourished in his career as an accomplished attorney in Michigan for nearly 40 years. His diverse clientele included condominium and commercial real estate developers, marina operators, estate planners, athletic associations, small businesses, insurance and annuity marketing organizations, foundations, coal and ore mining companies, and trucking industry related service and leasing operations. He served as real estate and finance counsel to a developer of a \$50MM commercial shopping center in Shelby Township, Macomb County, Michigan and a \$30m commercial shopping center in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

In the early years of his career, Ed served as a law clerk at a workman's compensation plaintiff's firm of Bernstein & Bernstein through senior year in law school and as a research attorney for the Michigan Court of Appeals. He also was an Associate in the Admiralty Law Firm of Leonard C. Jaques, Detroit, Michigan.

