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WORK EXPERIENCE:

Gardner Law Firm, P.C. - 1988 to present.

My firm employs two attorneys, two paralegals, and has been operating since 1988. My principal focus is on family law and general civil litigation. I also handle cases in the areas of homeowners association/ condominium law, personal injury, criminal, real estate, wills and estates, and appellate practice. I am in court on a regular basis, usually two to three times weekly, and have tried hundreds of cases involving custody, divorce, child support, guardianships, collection matters, homeowner association disputes, criminal cases, personal injury, real estate and construction disputes. I appear frequently before the Family Division Magistrates for Montgomery County, as well as the Circuit and District Courts of Montgomery, Prince George's, Howard and Frederick County. I also appear before the Montgomery County Commission on Common Ownership Communities on a regular basis, and have handled appeals to the Maryland Court of Special Appeals and the Maryland Court of Appeals. I have been court appointed in numerous guardianship cases, and as a BIA for children in contested custody cases.

Law Office of Kivitz and Liptz, Washington, D.C. - 1984 to 1987. Associate attorney in a general practice law firm.

Law Office of Belli, Weil and Jacobs, Rockville, Md. - 1982 to 1984. Associate attorney in a general practice law firm.

Judicial Clerk to the Honorable Phillip M. Fairbanks, Circuit Court for Montgomery County, 1981-1982

BAR MEMBERSHIPS:

Montgomery County Bar - 1981 to present

Currently serve on the Legal Ethics Committee and am a member of the Family Law Section

Maryland Bar - admitted December 1981

District of Columbia Bar - admitted October 1983

United States Supreme Court - admitted July 1986

United States District Court of Maryland - admitted May 1985

United States District Court for the District of Columbia - admitted 2009

EDUCATION:

American University, Washington College of Law, J.D., May, 1981

Activities: Captain, Jessup International Moot Court Team placing first in the Mid-Atlantic Region, 1981; Member, Jessup International Moot Court Team placing second in Mid-Atlantic Region, 1980

University of Maine, B.A. in history, with honors, 1986

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC ACTIVITIES:

Best Interest Attorney appointed by the Circuit Court for Montgomery County to represent children in custody disputes, 1998 - present.

Facilitator appointed by the Circuit Court for Montgomery County to assist in the resolution of family law cases, 2005 - present.

Panel Chairman for the Commission on Common Ownership Communities for Montgomery County (1991-1998)

Ashton Sandy Spring Master Plan Citizens Advisory Committee Member (1993-1997)

Greater Olney Civic Association, President (1985 - 1987), Vice President (1989 - 1994)

Citizen of the Year, awarded by the Greater Olney Civic Association (1987)

Community Associations Institute, Member of the Maryland Legislative Committee (2010 - present), author for Quorum, Regional Publication, and CCOC Newsletter

Coach; head soccer coach, Montgomery Soccer (2005 - 2010); head soccer coach, Olney Boys and Girls Club (2003 - 2005); head inline hockey coach, DC Bullets, National Tournament Finalist (1998 - 2006); assistant ice hockey coach, Montgomery Blue Devils and Washington Little Capitals (1991 - 1998)

Legal Ethics Committee, Montgomery County Bar Association, active member and author for County Bar Journal, (2006 - present)

PERSONAL:

Married since 1981 to Ashley Gardner, with four children, ages 19 - 29.

Personal interests include ice hockey (men's league player for over 30 years, and season ticket holder to the Washington Capitals), golf, working out, reading, movies and family activities.