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Education

- The George Washington University (B.A. 1977)
- Benjamin Cardozo School of Law (J.D. 1980)
- Oxford University, Oxford England, Institute on International and Comparative Law (1979)
- Marquette University, Neuroanatomical Dissection of the Human Brain and Spinal Cord (2007)

Professional Certifications

- Fellow, National College of Advocacy, American Association for Justice
- Advocate, Academy of Truck Accident Attorneys

State and Federal Bar Admissions

- New York State Bar
- District of Columbia Bar
- United States Circuit Court of Appeals, 2nd Circuit
- United States Circuit Court of Appeals, 3rd Circuit
- United States Circuit Court of Appeals, DC Circuit
- United States District Courts, Southern, Eastern & Northern Districts of New York
- Supreme Court of the United States
- United States Tax Court
- United States Court of International Trade

Government and Public Service

- Secretary and Member Board of Directors, Brain Injury Association of America
- Fellow, American Bar Foundation
- Secretary, Civil Justice Foundation
- Board of Trustees, Civil Justice Foundation

- Advisory Board, Acquired Brain Injury Program, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C., Graduate School of Education and Human Development
- Judicial Screening Committee, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Pattern Jury Instruction Committee, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Amicus Counsel, Brain Injury Association of America
- Member of Amicus Committee and Amicus Counsel, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Member, Medical Malpractice Panel, New York State Appellate Division, First and Second Judicial Departments
- Member, North American Brain Injury Society
- Member, Brain Injury Association of New York State
- Member, Public Justice
- Member, Pediatric Acquired Brain Injury Plan (PABI), New York State Planning Committee
- PINK Concussions, Professional Advisory Board
- Executive Committee-Chappaqua School District, PTA Special Education Committee Pre-K- 12th Grade

Bar and Trial Lawyer Associations

- Past Chair, Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group, American Association for Justice
- Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America, Trial Lawyer Honorary Society
- Past Secretary, Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group, American Association for Justice
- Past Treasurer, Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group, American Association for Justice
- 1st Vice President, American Academy of Brain Injury Attorneys
- Board of Directors, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Advocate, Academy of Truck Accident Attorneys
- Lawyers Diversity Law Institute Advisory Board, Litigation Counsel of America
- Fellow, American Bar Foundation
- Editor, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers, Monthly Law Update
- Advisory Board, Interstate Bus Litigation Group, American Association for Justice
- Reviewer, Workplace Injury Reporter, American Association for Justice
- Reviewer, Trial Magazine, American Association for Justice
- Special Articles Editor, Trial Magazine, American Association for Justice
- Member, American Association for Justice
- Fellow, Melvin M. Belli Society
- Member of the Million Dollar Advocates and Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum

- Member, Professional Liability, American Association for Justice
- Member, Stroke Litigation Group, American Association for Justice
- Member, Birth Trauma Litigation Group, American Association for Justice
- Member, Interstate Trucking Litigation Group, American Association for Justice
- Member, Nursing Home Litigation Group, American Association for Justice
- Member, Professional Information Exchange Negligence Litigation Group, American Association for Justice
- New York State Academy of Trial Attorneys
- New York State Trial Lawyers Association
- Railroad Accident Trial Lawyers Association

Honors and Awards

- New York Super Lawyers 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019
- President's Award, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Who's Who American Law
- Who's Who American Women
- Who's Who in the World
- Top 25 Brain Injury Lawyers, American Trial Lawyers Association
- Top 100 New York Trial Lawyers, American Trial Lawyers Association
- Top Women Attorneys in Metro New York
- Trial Lawyers for Public Justice, Public Justice Achievement Award for Pro Bono Representation of 9/11 Victims
- Elite Lawyers of America
- Member of Million Dollar and Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum
- Best Law Firms of America 2019, US News & World Report

Additional Distinctions

- Member, Catastrophic Injury Panel, Trial Lawyers Care, September 11th, Victims Compensation Fund

Professional Publications

- Trial Reporter, Journal of the Maryland Association for Justice, Inc.: "Proving a Brain Injury Case Caused by Whiplash," Spring, 2016
- Trial, American Association for Justice: "Patient Rights and Ethical Dilemmas" Book Review, March 2016, Vol. 52. No. 3.
- National Law Journal, Op Ed: "Concussion Settlement is Deeply Flawed," July 21, 2014
- Huffington Post, "Same Play, Different Day," July 2, 2014
- Huffington Post, "Traumatic Brain Injury Prevention Requires a Comprehensive National Plan," May 29, 2014

- Huffington Post, “Players and Public Lose While NFL Reigns Victorious,” October 9, 2013
- Huffington Post, “A Mediated Settlement May Not Be the Best Solution to the NFL Concussion Crisis,” July 18, 2013
- New York Law Journal, “Traumatic Brain Injury: Detecting, Defining, Litigating” Outside Counsel Column, July 28, 2011 p. 4
- Psychiatric Clinics of North America, “Current Issues in Neurolaw” Traumatic Brain Injury: Defining Best Practice, Psychiatric Clinics of North America, December 2010, Vol. 33, No. 4

Professional Presentations

- 2017, Concussion Litigation: Update-- What’s Happening? Melvin M. Belli Society, 70th Annual Seminar, Boston, MA
- 2016, The Law and Facts on NFL Brain Injuries and the Future Needs, American Association for Justice, Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group, Annual Program, Los Angeles, California
- 2016, The Law and Science of Brain Injury, American Association for Justice, How Contact Sports and Multiple Head Injuries Impact the Outcome in a Traumatic Brain Injury Case, Charleston, SC
- 2016, Symposium Panel Member, James Humphreys Center for Complex Litigation at the George Washington University Law School, The World of Federal Subrogation and Reimbursement: The Substantive and Procedural Problems Under Medicare, Medicaid & ERISA Health Insurance Plans
- 2015, Sports Concussions, Legal Liability, Melvin M. Belli Society, 68th Annual Seminar, Montreal, QC
- 2015, Moderator, Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group, Annual Program, American Association for Justice, Montreal, QC
- 2013, Medical Malpractice Update Presentation, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers, Annual Law Update Series, White Plains, NY
- 2013, Moderator, Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group, Annual Program, American Association for Justice, San Francisco, CA,
- 2012, Medical Malpractice Update Presentation, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers, Annual Law Update Series, White Plains, NY
- 2011, Medical Malpractice Update Presentation, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers, Annual Law Update Series, White Plains, NY
- 2011, Medical Malpractice in the Emergency Department, Grand Rounds, Department of Emergency Medicine, Mt. Sinai Medical Center, New York, NY