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Over the past 40 years in the legal profession, I have been involved in civil litigation and have handled thousands of matters.

After 20 years as New Jersey Superior Court Judge in the Civil Division (1983-2003), I am currently an independent mediator with The Kridel Law Group (Clifton, NJ).

In prior years, I mediated civil and criminal matters as Municipal Judge in five Bergen County towns: Little Ferry, Leonia, Maywood, Bogota and Fairview (1971-83), and served as House Counsel for Liberty Mutual Insurance Company (1970-83). While at Liberty Mutual, I instituted the first mediation program in Bergen County, NJ.

In my earliest years as a lawyer, I was Assistant Prosecutor in the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office, and Law Clerk to Hon. Arthur J. O'Dea of the Bergen County District Court.

In addition to my legal duties, I have served as a member of the Faculty of the NJ Judicial College for settlement techniques and mediation for about 10 years; have taught and taken courses at the National Judicial College (Reno, NV); have been Adjunct Professor at Rutgers University Law School involved in civil litigation (1984-88); have been an Instructor of settlement process at Seton Hall University Law School (1993-95) and Instructor of trial advocacy at Widener Law School (1984-87).

From 1988-95, as a Master of the Essex Inns of Court, Arthur T. Vanderbilt Chapter, I instructed young lawyers in mediation techniques, trial skills and ethical responsibilities.

I have been a lecturer for the New Jersey State Bar Association (NJSBA) and Institute for Continued Legal Education (ICLE) on a wide variety of topics including settlement techniques, the law of damages, the law of experts, etc.

I am a member of the NJSBA, Bergen County Bar Association and American Bar Association.

I am an alumnus of St. Peter's College (Jersey City, NJ), and Villanova University School of Law (Villanova, PA).