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## **EXPERIENCE:**

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Doughton Blancato PLLC Winston-Salem, NC

Member

Practice focusing on mediations, arbitrations, construction law and general civil litigation with an emphasis on business matters.

2007 – 2012 John S. Clark Company, LLC Winston-Salem, North Carolina General Counsel/Secretary

Responsible for: representing regional general contractor in legal proceedings in court, arbitration and mediation; resolving subcontractor, owner and vendor disputes; reviewing and preparing contracts; handling employment matters; and assisting with general legal issues

1997 – 2006 Blancato Doughton & Hart PLLC (formerly McCall Doughton & Blancato, PLLC) Winston-Salem, North Carolina Litigation Partner

1994 – 1997 Bennett & Blancato, LLP Winston-Salem, North Carolina Litigation Partner

1987 – 1994 Hendrick Zotian Bennett & Blancato Winston-Salem, North Carolina Litigation Partner

1984 – 1987 Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice Winston-Salem, North Carolina Litigation Associate From October 1984, until I left private practice at the end of 2006, my practice was devoted almost exclusively to civil litigation. I have tried cases in each federal district court in the state, state many counties in state court and in the N.C. Business Court. I have briefed and argued numerous cases in state and federal appellate courts. I have represented businesses, individuals and government entities in civil rights, premises liability, professional liability, business, construction, trade secret, employment, aviation, motor vehicle, insurance and other matters. In addition, I have served as mediator for hundreds of cases and have served as arbitrator for several dozen cases.

1983 – 1984 United States Claims Court Washington, D.C.

Law Clerk to Chief Judge Alex Kozinski

Performed legal research, drafted memoranda and opinions to assist Chief Judge on pending cases which typically involved tax, contract and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment taking claims.

**EDUCATION:** Duke University School of Law, Durham, North Carolina

JD, 1983 (with high honors) Queens College, Flushing, New York

BA (cum laude) 1980

Major: Economics (with honors)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & DESIGNATIONS:

Admitted to D.C. Bar, 1983 (inactive)

Admitted to N.C. Bar, 1985

Admitted to practice in all U.S. District Courts in North Carolina, U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and U.S. Court of Federal Claims

American Bar Association (Member, Forum on the Construction Industry)

NC Bar Association (Member, Litigation and Construction sections)

Forsyth County Bar Association N.C. Certified Mediator, 1992

Member American Arbitration Association panel of arbitrators

Private pilot