



## JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE

October 1999-December 2000 JUDGE, CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY Appointed by the Illinois Supreme Court (October 1999),

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Assigned to the Chicago Traffic Court (October 1999-December 1999) and
Child Protection Division Juvenile Court-Abuse and Neglect (December
1999-December 4, 2000). Presided over trials involving minor
misdemeanor offenses and presided over Calendar 4 Courtroom at Juvenile
Court hearing matters involving sexual abuse; physical abuse; and various
neglect and dependency cases.

### **EDUCATION**

1977 **Juris Doctorate Degree** University of Illinois College of Law Champaign, Illinois 61820

1974 Masters Degree in Social Work University of Illinois, Jane Addams Graduate School of Social Work Champaign, Illinois 61820

1972 Bachelor of Arts Degree in Social Work University of Illinois Champaign, Illinois 61820

1968 Carter H. Harrison Tech. High School 2400 West 24th St. Blvd. Chicago, Illinois 60624

OTHER ENROLLMENTS: 1977

University of Notre Dame College of Law Summer Law Studies Program South Bend, Indiana

1982 University of Houston College of Law National College of Criminal Defense Houston, Texas.

## **ADMITTED**

1977 Illinois Supreme Court
1980 United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

1986 U.S. Navy Service School Command Court Martial Division, Great Lakes, Illinois

## **EMPLOYMENT**

October 1999- December 2000	Judge, of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Most recently assigned to the Child Protection Division of Juvenile Court.
January 1980- October 1999	CROSSROADS LAW CENTER - PRIVATE LAW PRACTICE Practice in state and federal courts-general practice of civil and criminal law.
June 1978- January 1980	OFFICE OF THE COOK COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY Assistant State's Attorney in Juvenile Court and Traffic Court Assignments
October 1977- June 1978	ILLINOIS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL-ILLINOIS GENERAL ASSEMBLY- Research Associate for the State of Illinois Legislature.
October 1977- June 1978	OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL Consumer Fraud Division Volunteer Arbitrator. Arbitrating disputes between consumers and suppliers of services and merchandise
January 1990- January 1991	CITY OF CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS Administrative Hearing Officer - Chicago Housing Code Enforcement Bureau.
August 1974- October 1977	UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS Graduate Advisor and Cirriculum Counselor to Undergraduates.
June 1973- June 1974	DANVILLE, ILLINOIS PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM Substitute Teacher for anti-social behaviorally challenged students outside of the traditional school setting.
June 1973- August 1974	ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES- CASEWORKER- Child Abuse Division of the DCFS Danville, Illinois Branch handling Abuse, Neglect, and Dependency cases. Also providing therapeutic counselling in family therapy, group therapy, and individual counselling, using various models of counselling.
September 1968- June 1973	UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS ILLIN UNION UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS ASSEMBLY HALL
January 1970- September 1970	UNITED STATES CENSUS ENUMERATOR Providing an accurate accounting of the population of the City of Champaign, Illinois for the general U.S. census count.

### **AWARDS**

College Honor's Day Recognition Bailey Scholarship YMCA U.S. Children's Bureau Fellowship

### ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIPS

Illinois State Bar Association Chicago Bar Association Cook County Bar Association

# COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

1991-1999 **Minister of** 

Minister of the Stony Island Church of Christ

Providing religious and secular counselling to parishioners.

1999 Volunteer Legal Advice Program-8th Ward

Operated free legal advise clinic for community

residents.

1999 Volunteer 8th Ward Summer Sports Program

Assisted in providing coaching fundamentals to the young boys and

girls of the community in the game of basketball.

1984-1991 Chairman of the Board of the Church of Christ Christian Athletic Program

Provided leadership and direction for a three-state coverage basketball program that brought direction, communication, and fellowship to various underpriviledged people from various walks

of life.

1989 Past Boardmember, Chatham-Avalon Academic

**Learning Center** 

Assisted in the development and formulation of an Alternative

Christian Education School.

1985 Austin Steering Committee

Westside Chicago political action group for community development

and revitalization.

1980-1995 **Precinct Captain-15 years** 

Educating constituents and community-based groups as to civic

responsibilities and available government services.

1973

## **Volunteer-Suicide Prevention Services**

Intensive therapeutic counsellor for depressed and depondent individuals who either phone in, or are referred, that wish to discuss their very real and immediate suicidal ideations.

1971-1972

## YMCA PAL Program

Volunteered time and commitment to underprivileged kids who did not have a male role model to emulate and interact with on a positive basis.

1987

## **Instructor Malcolm X College**

Part-time instructor at the city college in the law of real estate providing instruction in this graded course.

1990-present

# Therapeutic Care through Puppetry Program

Providing senior nursing homes, rehabilitation centers, and children's homes in the chicagoland area with quality entertainment and laughter through the therapeutic use of puppetry, magic and ventriloquism.