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Date of Birth: August 28, 1964  
Place of Birth: Leesburg, Virginia

### **Education**

James Madison University, B.S. 1986  
George Mason University School of Law, J.D. 1990

### **Professional Associations**

1990-present	Virginia State Bar
1992-present	U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
1993-present	U.S. Court of Claims
1997-present	U.S. Supreme Court

### **Memberships**

Virginia State Bar

Virginia Trial Lawyers Association  
(Board of Governors, Vice-President and Executive Council)

American Association for Justice  
(Fellow, National College of Advocacy)

Federal Bar Association (1995-2005)  
(President, Tidewater Chapter 2001-2002)

American Inns of Court, Hoffman-l'Anson Chapter (1993-1998)

Virginia Trial Lawyers Foundation Board of Directors

Virginia College of Trial Advocacy

Boyd-Graves Conference (2004-present)

## **Publications**

1. "Damages in Wrongful Death Actions," *Virginia Torts Update on Wrongful Death Cases in Virginia*.
2. "Cross Examining a Defendant's Medical Expert," *Virginia Practice Guide: Preparation and Trial of an Automobile Case*.

## **Seminars and Presentations**

1. The Art and Science of Persuasion in a Wrongful Death Case, Virginia Trial Lawyers Association, November 13, 1997.
2. Evidence for the Trial Lawyer, Virginia Trial Lawyers Association, June 11 & 18, 1998.
3. Handling High Profile Cases, Virginia State Bar, June 19, 1998
4. Taking Effective Depositions, Lorman Education Services, September 24, 1998.
5. Demonstrative Aids, Virginia Trial Lawyers Association Annual Convention, March 26, 1999.
6. Opening Statements and Closing Arguments, Alaska Academy of Trial Lawyers All-Star Litigators Conference, May 19-22, 1999.
7. National College of Advocacy, Trial Advocacy College, Faculty member: Depositions; Denver, Colorado, March 1-5, 2000.
8. National College of Advocacy, Trial Advocacy College: Essentials of Civil Litigation, Faculty member; Reno, Nevada, October 13-19, 2000.
9. Personal Injury 2001: A Trial Odyssey, Direct Examination: The Jury's Journey Through the Case, Association of Trial Lawyers of America; Boardwalk Seminar 2001, Atlantic City, New Jersey, April 27, 2001.
10. What to Do When the DUI Defendant Pleads the 5<sup>th</sup>; Jazz Fest, National College of Advocacy; New Orleans, Louisiana, May 5, 2001.
11. Nursing Home Litigation, Annual May Tort Law Seminar, Virginia Trial Lawyers Association, Norfolk and Richmond, Virginia, May 8 and 24, 2001.
12. Virginia College of Trial Advocacy: Elements of Advocacy, Faculty member; May 30-June 2, 2002, Williamsburg, Virginia.

13. Demonstrative Evidence in Neck and Back Cases on a Shoestring Budget; Jazz Fest, National College of Advocacy; New Orleans, Louisiana, May 2-4, 2002.
14. Dealing with Abusive Conduct in Litigation; Ethics Panelist, 2003 Virginia Trial Lawyers Annual Convention.
15. Virginia College of Trial Advocacy: Elements of Advocacy, Faculty member; May 20-21, 2003, Williamsburg, Virginia.
16. Trial Advocacy Board, Regent University, Virginia Beach, Virginia; January 21, 2004.
17. Virginia Trial Lawyers Association Annual Convention 2004: Justice Under Siege, Greenbrier, Virginia.
18. "Everyday Ethics in the Life of a Personal Injury Lawyer", Virginia Trial Lawyers Association Tort Law Seminar, May 2004.
19. Virginia College of Trial Advocacy: Elements of Advocacy, Faculty member; May 20-21, 2004, Williamsburg, Virginia.
20. "Advising Clients in Arts, Entertainment and Sports", Norfolk-Portsmouth Bar Association, Norfolk, Virginia; October 20, 2005.
21. "Must-Have Evidentiary References for the Courtroom", Virginia Trial Lawyers Advocacy Seminar; November 3, 2005, Richmond, Virginia.
22. "Expert Issues in Medical Malpractice Cases," Judicial Conference of Virginia, September 2006, Williamsburg, Virginia.
23. Virginia College of Trial Advocacy: Cross Examination, Faculty member, May 2005, Williamsburg, Virginia.
24. "Challenging the Defendant's Medical Evidence," Virginia Trial Lawyers Association Automobile Negligence Seminar; October 2006.
25. "Dealing with the Rambo Litigator in Depositions," 2007 Association of Trial Lawyers of America Winter Convention, Miami, Florida.
26. "The Vital Courtroom Notebook," 2007.
27. Tort Law Update, Virginia Trial Lawyers Annual Convention, 2007 and 2008.

28. Medical Payments Coverage, Virginia Trial Lawyers Sources of Coverage Seminar, October 2008.
29. "Mediation is a Simple, Easy Alternative to Trial," Virginia Trial Lawyers Annual Convention, March 13, 2009, Williamsburg, Virginia
30. "Use of Medical Literature at Trial," Virginia Trial Lawyers Association Annual Advocacy Seminar, October 2009.

### **Other Affiliations and Representation**

Best Lawyers in America in Personal Injury, Medical Malpractice and Sports Law. 2005-present.

Virginia Super Lawyers, 2009.

2008 Hampton Roads Women in Business Achievement Award.

2004-present Virginia Retirement System, Independent Fact Finder

Virginia Capital Representation Resource Center, Board of Directors and Executive Board, 1994-2005.

Norfolk Forum Board of Directors, 1994-2000.

One of "The 10 Hottest Young Lawyers to Watch" in Hampton Roads Virginia Business Observer, March 1999.

Represented Allen Iverson, NBA player.

Represented Michael Vick, NFL player.

Represented Latasha Colander, Olympic gold medalist.

Certified Agent in the NBA and NFL.

Federal Court appointments on death row habeas corpus cases.

1995-1997 Adjunct Professor, William & Mary School of Law