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## **I. ADMISSION**

New York State - Second Department - March 1970

United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York - June, 1972

United States District Court for the Southern District of New York - June, 1972

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## **II. PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

American Bar Association (Past Member) - Member of Suffolk County Bar Association  
- Member of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Section & Bankruptcy and Insolvency  
Committee, of the Suffolk County Bar Association.

Member Mediation Register (Lawyers Only) U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern  
District of New York, October, 2004 - Present; Member of National Association of  
Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys - (Past Member).

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## **III. SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE**

Admitted to practice in New York State and Federal District Courts for over 46 years.  
Practice has been concentrated in the areas of business and consumer bankruptcy,  
insolvency and debtor and creditor relations for the past 37 years. Has represented  
debtors, creditors and trustees in Chapter 7, 12,13 and complex Chapter 11 cases during  
which time has addressed a myriad of legal issues in the areas of commercial transactions  
and litigation, consumer rights, creditor's rights, secured transactions, landlord and tenant  
cases, tax matters, real estate and marital rights. Has been active in the area of  
concentration in the legal community and elsewhere and has lectured on the subject of  
bankruptcy.

He has had numerous decisions published, among them: American Mayflower Life Ins.  
Co. v. Fagan (In re Fagan), 166 B.R. 531; Ryan v. Zinker (In re Sprint Mortgage Bankers  
Corp.), 164 B.R. 224; Lexis 172; Bankr. L. Rep. (CCH), 743; Collier Bankr. Cas. 2d  
(MB) 1594; In re Niover Bagels, 214 B.R. 291; LEXIS 1742; 31 Bankr. Dec. 833. In re  
Conte, 21012 Bankr, LEXIS 2320; In re: J. Monroe Stebbins, 2015 Bankr. LEXIS 551; J.  
Monroe Stebbins, Appellant v. Artificial Horizons et al. 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 34680;  
In re: Sandy Hills, LLC; Long Island Pine Barrens Society, Inc. Appellant, against Sandy  
Hills, LLC, Appellee, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 134222; In re: Flora Nurseries, Inc. U.S.

Bankruptcy Court Eastern District of New York; Case No.:16-74349-las.

Selected as a member of a committee to help draft the first Local Rules of Bankruptcy Procedures for the Eastern District of New York.

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#### **IV. MEDIATION MEMBERSHIP & TRAINING**

Member of the Mediator Register (Lawyers Only) United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York since 2004.

Past Member American Bar Association Section of Dispute Resolution -

Trained at the American Bar Association Resolution and Resilience Conference;

Effective Advocacy in Mediation; Designing an Alternative Pre-Dispute Resolution

Program - Sponsored by the Labor and Employment Committee of the Suffolk County

Bar Association, Suffolk County Bar Association Committee on Alternative Dispute

Resolution, Mediation Training Sponsored by the U.S. Bankruptcy Courts for the

Southern and Eastern Districts of New York; and the New York State Bar Association

Dispute Resolution Section and Fordham University School of Law Commercial

Mediation Training Program.

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#### **V. AREA OF EXPERTISE - Bankruptcy and Insolvency Law.**

#### **VI. FEE STRUCTURE - Hourly rate of \$550.00; or per diem rate as agreed.**

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