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# **LAW PRACTICE:**

Fox & Loquasto, P.A., Tallahassee, Florida.

December 2003 to the present; Shareholder & Managing Partner of Tallahassee Office; Board Certified in Appellate Practice.

### First District Court of Appeal, Tallahassee, Florida.

Career Attorney with the Honorable Richard W. Ervin, III, from 8/8/88 to 11/30/03.

# **EDUCATION:**

Stetson University College of Law, St. Petersburg, Florida.

J.D. Graduated Magna Cum Laude in May 1988; member of Stetson Law Review.

State University of New York, College at Oswego, Oswego, New York. B.A. in History & Political Science. Graduated Magna Cum Laude in May 1979.

State University of New York, College at Oneonta, Oneonta, New York. Attended 8/75 to 5/76.

#### BAR ACTIVITIES & LEGAL ORGANIZATIONS:

The Florida Bar; member since 1988.

- Member Appellate Court Rules Committee, Chair of the Workers' Compensation Practice Subcommittee, member Criminal Practice Subcommittee.
- Member of the Appellate Practice, Workers' Compensation Law, and Equal Opportunities Law Sections. Previously served two terms on the Executive Council of the Appellate Practice Section (2004-2011) and currently is Vice-Chair of its Pro Se Handbook Committee, a member of its Publications, CLE, Government Lawyers, & Outreach Committees; previously served as Articles Editor for *The Florida Bar Journal* Appellate Practice Section Column.
- The Florida Bar News/Journal Committee (2004-2007).
- Research Chair for the First 150 Women Lawyers Project (1999-2000).
- As President of the Florida Association for Women Lawyers in 2006-07, I
  represented FAWL in a nonvoting capacity at the meetings of The Florida Bar Board
  of Governors and served on the Board of Governors' Disciplinary Rules Committee.

Florida Association for Women Lawyers; member since 1989.

President (2006-07); Past President & Chair of the Nominating Committee (June 2007-08); President-elect (2005-06); Public Relations Officer (2004-05); Secretary (1995-96);

Historian (2003 to 2006); Assistant Historian (2001-03); Chair of the Membership (1997-99), Website (1997-99), Nominating (2002 & 2000), and Hall of Fame Committees; Chair of the Research Committee for the First 150 Women Lawyers Project (1998-2000); and Chapter Representative (1996-97 & 1998-99).

Tallahassee Women Lawyers; member since 1989.

Currently serving as TWL Liaison to Legal Services of North Florida, Inc. (2004 to present). Previously served as President (1996-97); Past President (1997-98); Director (1995-96); Newsletter Editor (1993-94); Historian (1991-2006) and FAWL Chapter Representative (1996-97 & 1998-99); and Chair of the Nominating Committee, Hall of Fame Committee, Spring CLE Committee, and Budget Committee.

Legal Services of North Florida, Inc.; board member since 2004. Immediate Past President of the Board of Directors (2009-2011); previously served as Secretary-Treasurer and Chair of the Budget Committee and as member of the Personnel, Partners in Service, Term-Limits, and Jazz for Justice Committees; and long-time Partner in Service.

North Florida Center for Equal Justice, Inc.; board member since 2004. Immediate Past President of the Board of Directors (2009-2011); previously served as Secretary-Treasurer and Chair of the Budget Committee.

Stetson University College of Law, Board of Overseers; board member since April 2005. Currently serving third term; also serve on the Overseers' Facilities Committee and the College's Hall of Fame and William Reece Smith Award Committees (2005-2009).

Tallahassee Bar Association; member since 1992. Director (2001-03); Chair of the 2004 Chili Cookoff.

Tallahassee Barristers; member since 2003.

Florida Bar Legal Aid Foundation; Florida Bar Foundation Fellow.

State Bar of Georgia; member since 1998 but currently on inactive status.

Florida District Appellate American Inn of Court, inaugural member, 2008-2011; currently inactive; previously served two terms on the Executive Council.

American Bar Association; member 1985 (law student) -- 2010.

#### **CLE PROGRAMS:**

E. Earle Zehmer Appellate Practice Seminar: Practicing Before the First, to be held on 3/2/12. Will present discussion relating to workers' compensation appeals on a panel entitled "Practice – Specific Trends and Recurring Issues."

Appellate Practice Training Seminar presented to staff attorneys in the Tallahassee and Pensacola offices of Legal Services of North Florida, Inc., in February and July 2010. Worked with Judge William Van Nortwick and Scott Manion, LSNF Director of Litigation, in developing the material, preparing the training manual, and presenting the program.

Planned and organized CLE presentations at the Appellate Practice Section's Tallahassee Outreach Meetings on an annual basis from 2006 to the present on the following topics: Practice in the U.S. Supreme Court (1/10), ethical issues in criminal appeals (12/08), extraordinary writs (1/09), stays on appeal (2/09), new appellate rules and jurisdictional briefing (5/07), updates and information from the Leon County Clerk and First DCA Clerk of Court (6/07), standards of review & practice at the First District Court of Appeal & Florida Supreme Court (2006). I am currently organizing CLEs on electronic filing (2/10) and practice tips for the Florida Supreme Court (3/10).

Participated in two one-hour telephonic CLE programs for The Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section on February 16 and March 16, 2010, on "Status of E-Filing in Florida's Courts - Part I" and "Proceedings on Remand."

Program Chair for "The Art of Appellate Advocacy in Workers' Compensation," a full-day CLE program sponsored by The Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section on October 29, 2009.

Panelist for "When It Does Not Please the Court," a one-hour telephonic CLE program presented by The Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section on October 17, 2006.

Program Chair for "Leadership FAWL," a five-hour CLE focusing on leadership techniques and training for women in law firms, politics, public service, and bar associations and service presented on January 20, 2006, in Miami, Florida.

Panelist for "The Appellate Engagement Agreement," a one-hour telephonic CLE program presented by The Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section on July 19, 2005.

Member of Steering Committee that planned and organized "Workers' Compensation Appellate Advocacy" CLE held in Fort Lauderdale on March 26, 2004, and moderated panel discussion "View From the DCA," featuring Chief Judge James R. Wolf and Judges Charles J. Kahn, Jr., and Philip J. Padovano.

Presenter for one-hour CLE program about Louise Rebecca Pinnell, Florida's first woman lawyer, and other early women lawyers for Tallahassee Women Lawyers on November 12, 1998.

### **PUBLICATIONS:**

#### Books:

Wrote Chapter 12 entitled "Pro Se Anders Briefs: What a Criminal Defendant Should Do When His/Her Attorney Files An Anders Brief"; Chapter 15 "Unemployment Commission Appeals"; and Chapter 14 entitled "Appeals of Orders from Dependency and Termination of Parental Rights Cases," published in <a href="The Pro Se">The Pro Se</a> (Self-Represented) Appellate Handbook (The Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section 2007, 2008 & 2009).

Edited and compiled <u>A History of Florida Association for Women Lawyers, Inc. (FAWL)</u> 1951-2002 (Published by the Hon. Mattie Belle Davis 2002).

Compiled and wrote <u>50th Anniversary Celebration of the Florida Association for Women</u> Lawyers (1951-2001) (FAWL 2001).

Edited and compiled <u>Celebrating Florida's First 150 Women Lawyers</u> (Lexis Publishing 2000).

Compiled and wrote <u>FAWL Membership Handbook</u>, <u>Assistance for Local Chapters</u> 1998-1999 (FAWL 1999).

Case Summaries published in "Recent Developments" of the Local Government Law Symposium of the <u>Stetson Law Review</u>, Vol. XVII, No. 3 (Summer 1988).

#### **Articles:**

"A Ten-Year History for Florida's First 150 Women Lawyers" published in the inaugural edition of *Florida Supreme Court Historical Society* (Fall/Winter 2010).

"Writing a Shorter Brief" published in January 2011 in *The Record: Journal of the Appellate Practice Section*, Vol. XVIII, No. 2 (Winter 2011).

"Two New Judges at the First DCA: T. Kent Wetherell, II, and Lori Sellers Rowe" published in 2010 in *The Record: Journal of the Appellate Practice Section*.

"The Art of Persuasion Through Legal Citations," co-authored with Susan W. Fox, published in April 2010 in *The Florida Bar Journal*.

"Chief Judge Paul M. Hawkes Shepherds the First DCA into the Future," published in the Fall 2009 edition of *The Record: Journal of the Appellate Practice Section*.

"Judge Nikki Ann Clark: The Transition from Trial Judge to the First DCA," published in the Fall 2009 edition of *The Record: Journal of the Appellate Practice Section*.

"The Newest Judge at the First DCA: L. Clayton Roberts," published in the Summer 2007 edition of *The Record: Journal of the Appellate Practice Section*.

"50 Years of the First DCA," published in the Summer 2007 edition of *The Record: Journal of the Appellate Practice Section*.

"Citation Form: Keeping Up with the Times," co-authored by Susan W. Fox, and published in the January 2007 edition of *The Florida Bar Journal*.

"Judge Bradford Thomas Joins the First DCA," published in the Fall 2005 edition of *The Record: Journal of the Appellate Practice Section*.

"FAWL Chronicles," a regular column appearing in *the F.A.W.L. Journal*, including "FAWL's Role with The Florida Bar Board of Governors" (Autumn 2005); "NAWL-FAWL Connection Continues at Midyear Meeting" (Summer 2005); "FAWL Members Do Not Have to Look Far for a Top-Shelf Mentor!" (Autumn 2004); "Gender Bias in the Judicial Selection Process Then and Now" (Summer 2004); "A Tribute to Judge Mattie Belle Davis (1910-2003)" (Autumn 2003); "The Birth of Local Chapters – FAWL Blossoms Throughout the State" (Summer 2003); "Law Day" (April 2003); "FAWL Members at Runnymeade for the Dedication of the ABA Magna Carta Memorial" (Autumn 2002); and "FAWL Makes History Supporting Equal Pay and Equal Rights: A History of FAWL's Legislative Efforts in Support of the Equal Pay for Equal Work Bill and the Basic Rights Amendment" (Spring/Summer 2002).

"FAWL to Celebrate Its Golden Anniversary" published in the May 15, 2001, issue of *The Florida Bar News* (pages 25-26).

Various articles published in *The Florida Bar News* concerning the First 150 Women Lawyers Project, including "Celebrating Florida's First 150 Women Lawyers" (May 15, 2000, pp. 12-13); "Reno Invited to Address Celebration of Women Lawyers" (Mar. 1, 2000, pp. 1 & 7); "Supreme Court to Honor First 150 Women Lawyers" (June 1, 2000, p. 5); and "FAWL Seeks Information on First 100 Women Lawyers" (Oct. 1, 1999, p. 4), and republished with minor changes (Nov. 1, 1999, p. 17).

"Louise Rebecca Pinnell: Florida's First Woman Lawyer" published in the December 1, 1998, issue of *The Florida Bar News* (p. 14).

Numerous other articles concerning committee reports, chapter news, and award presentations published in the *FAWL State News* and *F.A.W.L. Journal* from 1997 to the present. Also, numerous articles published in the Tallahassee Women Lawyers' newsletter over the past two decades and in the *Tallahassee Bar Bulletin*.

#### **AWARDS & CERTIFICATES:**

The Florida Bar President's Pro Bono Service Award for the Second Judicial Circuit, presented on 1/26/12 at the Florida Supreme Court Pro Bono Ceremony.

The Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section's Pro Bono Award presented on 6/23/11.

"Inspirational Service Honor" presented by Tallahassee Women Lawyers in January 2011 for extraordinary *pro bono* services provided in the Second Judicial Circuit.

"Leaders in the Law" inaugural award presented by the Florida Association for Women Lawyers in June 2010.

"Florida Super Lawyer," 2009, 2010, 2011.

AV Preeminent rating by Martindale-Hubbell.

Chosen by my peers as one of the 2010, 2009 & 2007 Florida Legal Elite in *Florida Trend*.

Chair's Award for "Superb Work on the APS Tallahassee Outreach and Commitment to the Section" presented in June 2010 by Chair Dorothy Easley, The Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section.

Chair's Award for "Outstanding Leadership and Dedication as Chair of Tallahassee Outreach" in 2006-07, presented by The Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section, Chair Susan W. Fox, on June 28, 2007.

2004 Outstanding Past Voluntary Bar President Award presented on June 24, 2004, by the Florida Council of Bar Association Presidents for "outstanding leadership as a past president and member of Tallahassee Women Lawyers."

Pro bono award presented on May 4, 2004, by The Florida Bar, "in appreciate for selfless and dedicated service rendered as an inventory attorney 2003-2004."

Certificate of Service from the First District Court of Appeal dated November 25, 2003, for "important contributions toward the improvement of the administration of justice in this state."

Florida Association for Women Lawyers' 50th Anniversary Golden Star Award presented on June 22, 2001, for efforts promoting the knowledge of and recognition of women's contributions to the legal profession.

President's Award of Merit, presented on June 23, 2000, by Edith G. Osman, President of The Florida Bar "in recognition of her outstanding leadership and relentless pursuit of the history of the First 150 Women Lawyers in Florida."

Stetson Lawyers Association's "Outstanding Alumni Representative" Award presented on June 22, 2000, recognizing dedication and service through local district involvement.

First 150 Women Lawyers Committee Award presented on May 25, 2000, in grateful appreciation of "selfless dedication to the project of researching our legacy of the First 150 Women Lawyers in the State of Florida."

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