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EDUCATION

J.D., Duke University School of Law, 1979
A.B., Government, *cum laude*, Georgetown University, 1976

EMPLOYMENT

August 2025 – present: Adjunct Professor, College of Social Work & Criminal Justice, Florida Atlantic University & Co-Faculty Advisor to FAU Mock Trial Club

May 2022 – present: Partner in Schwartz Sladkus Reich Greenberg Atlas, LLP, Boca Raton, Florida & New York, New York after merger with Johnson, Ritchey & Feldman, P.A. & Bresky Law Firm, P.A.

September 2019 – May 2022: Partner in Johnson, Ritchey and Feldman, P.A., Boca Raton, Florida

January 2001 – July 2019: Managing Attorney, Feldman & Schneiderman, P.L., Boca Raton, Florida

September 1981 – December 2000: private practice as a named partner in Joel H. Feldman, P.A. and its predecessors

June 1979 - August 1981: Associate, Lavalle, Wochna, Rutherford, Maher & Truesdell, P.A., Boca Raton, Florida

AREAS OF PRACTICE

General matrimonial & civil practice, emphasizing family law, dissolution of marriage, post-divorce litigation, premarital and postmarital agreements, custody and timesharing disputes, child support and alimony enforcement, modifications, relocations, and paternity

Expert witness testimony regarding attorney's fees in family law and commercial litigation

Mediator, family law disputes

Trained in family collaborative law and advanced issues in collaborative family law

ELIGIBILITY TO PRACTICE

United States Supreme Court, 1986
United States Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, 1980
United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, 1980
All Florida courts, 1979
All District of Columbia courts, 2015
Admitted *pro hac vice* in Pennsylvania 2011
Admitted *pro hac vice* in New York 2015
Admitted *pro hac vice* in Virginia 2015
Admitted *pro hac vice* in California in 2021

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

Florida Bar
District of Columbia Bar
Palm Beach County Bar Association
South Palm Beach County Bar Association
Family Law Sections of the Florida Bar & South Palm Beach County Bar Associations
Member, South Palm Beach County Collaborative Law Group

HONORS

Chairperson, Philanthropy Advisory Board, FAU College of Social Work & Criminal Justice
Ranked “AV” (highest possible ranking) by Martindale-Hubbell for over 37 years
Preeminent Attorney rating by Martindale-Hubbell in family law
Named multiple times as “Super Lawyer” by Thomson Reuters as one of the top 5% of family law attorneys in the State of Florida
Named Member of National Top One Percent of Attorneys by National Association of Distinguished Counsel
Named by Lawyers of Distinction as Top 10% of U.S. Family Law & Divorce Attorneys
Named One of the Top Family Lawyers in South Florida by Top Attorneys & Accountants of South Florida Association
Voted “Best of Boca” in Family Law Litigation by readers of *Boca Raton Observer* magazine
2007 Outstanding Pro Bono Service Award from Florida Supreme Court
2005 Outstanding Pro Bono Service Award from Florida Supreme Court
2005 Recipient of Legal Aid Society and Palm Beach County Bar Association Consumer Law Award
1994 Recipient of Legal Aid Society and Palm Beach County Bar Association Community Service Award
2000 Volunteer of the Year, Florence Fuller Child Development Centers, Inc.
1999 Recipient of Community Service Award from Florida Marlins Charities Foundation
Named to Gold Coast Magazine’s Who’s Who in [South Florida] Charity
Award Winner, Palm Beach County “Men with Caring Hearts”

ACTIVITIES

Honorary Chairperson, “Baskets for Babies,” Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies of Palm Beach County, Inc.

Lecturer, “Ethics in Family Law,” District of Columbia Bar Association Continuing Education Department

Past Vice-Chairperson & Director, Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition of Palm Beach County

Board of Governors, Georgetown University Alumni Association 2017 (elected in 2020 to second 3-year term)

Annual Lecturer, Georgetown University, “Predictors of Likely Success of a Marriage – Does an Interfaith Marriage have a Greater Risk of Failure”

Georgetown University 40th, 45th, and 50th Reunion Committees

Georgetown University Class of 1976 Ambassador

Board of Directors, Boca Raton Chapter, The V Foundation for Cancer Research

State of Florida Co-Chairperson, Jewish Democratic Council of America

Member, American Israeli Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC)

American Inns of Court, Craig S. Bernard Chapter, Palm Beach County

Member, Association of Family & Conciliation Courts

Member, National Association of Divorce Professionals

Member, Florida Association of Collaborative Professionals

Member, Florida Lawyers Network

April 2004 – June 2011: Board of Directors & Executive Committee, EuroBank, FSB, an independent community bank with offices in Coral Gables, Pompano Beach & Boca Raton, Florida, including legal assistance in sale of bank to Banco do Brasil

Past Chairperson, Florida Bar Grievance Committee 15F, 15th Judicial Circuit, two terms

Past President (2 terms), Florence Fuller Child Development Centers, Boca Raton, Florida, a non-profit pre-school serving 650 economically disadvantaged children in South Palm Beach County, Florida

Former Member, Advisory Board, *Divorce Magazine* and www.divorcemagazine.com

Manuscript reader and editor, *Everybody Needs a Head Coach*, by Coach Michael D. Jarvis, 2015

Judge, American Association for Justice National Student Mock Trial Competition

Former Co-chairperson, Family Law Practice Committee, South Palm Beach County

Member, Palm Beach County Bar Association Fee Arbitration Committee

Former Director, South Palm Beach County Bar Association

Former Chairperson, Civil Practice Committee, South Palm Beach County Bar Association

Past Chairperson, Civil Rights Committee, South Palm Beach County Chapter of Anti-Defamation League of B’nai B’rith

Past Chairperson, Legal Committee for Palm Beach County, American Jewish Committee

Interviewer, Georgetown University Alumni Admissions Program

Past-President, Kiwanis Club of West Boca Raton, Inc.

Former Member, Greater Boca Raton Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast Committee

Lecturer, “Small Claims Court for the Layperson”

Featured Columnist, *Simply the Best Magazine*

EuroBank Representative to Florida Bankers Association

Member, Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce

PERSONAL

Born July 12, 1954 in Brooklyn, New York

Raised in Kingston, New York

Married 34 years to Cheryl Wilke, partner with law firm of Lewis Brisbois (previously Corporate Counsel and Vice-President, GEO Group; previously capital partner with law firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson)

Owner of 1 dog & 3 cats, including certified therapy dog for visits to nursing homes and hospitals

Intermediate Level Sommelier Certification by International Sommelier Guild

REFERENCES

Truist Bank; City National Bank of Florida