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**PROFESSIONAL**

- Jackson County Justice of the Peace, 2004-Present  
Oregon Justice of Peace Association Vice President  
Jackson County Circuit Court Judge Pro Tempore, 1996-1997, 1999-2002  
Jackson County Bar Association President, 2001-2002;  
Executive Committee, 1997-2002  
Jackson County Courts, Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee, 1997-Present  
Oregon State Bar House of Delegates, 1999-2002  
OSB Civil Rights Section Executive Committee, 2001-2002  
OSB Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Committee, 2008-2010
- 1/97 to Present: **President**, Joseph M. Charter, P.C., Ashland, OR  
General civil practice currently concentrating in bankruptcy, foreclosure defense,  
real estate, business, and mediation.
- 3/92 to 12/96: **Partner**, Werdell, Charter & Hanson, Medford, OR  
Employment, personal injury, appellate, real estate, land use and business law.
- 1/91 to 2/92: **Associate**, Grantland, Grensky & Blodgett, Medford, OR  
Personal injury and real estate transaction practice.
- 1/90 to 12/90: **Private Practice**, Yreka, California  
Real estate, landlord/tenant, personal injury, probate, and family law.
- 7/86 to 9/89: **Associate**, Hellen, Partnow & Condon, Anchorage, AK  
North Slope oil royalty litigation; administrative and personal injury law.
- 8/84 to 8/85: **Law Clerk**, Hon. Walter Carpeneti, Juneau, AK  
Legal research, opinion writing, and special master duties.

## **EDUCATION**

Juris Doctor, University of California at Berkeley (Boalt Hall), 1984  
Notes and Comments Editor, Ecology Law Quarterly, 1983-1984.  
Note, Solar Access Obstruction Nuisance Remedy: 11 ELQ 47 (1983).

Bachelor of General Studies, University of Michigan, 1980  
Internship, Environmental Study Conference, U.S. House of Representatives, 1978

## **CIVIC**

Britt Festival Volunteer and Member, 2008-Present  
Community Theater: Camelot Theatre, Oregon Stage Works, 2002-2010  
Board Member, Mediation Works, 2004-2007  
Boys to Men NW Rite of Passage, Volunteer and Mentor, 2003  
Ashland Forest Lands Commission, 2000-2002  
Small Claims Court Volunteer Mediator, Mediation Works, 1997-2000  
Medford School District 549C Budget Committee, 1999  
Medford Charter Review Committee, 1998  
Medford Planning Commission, 1994-1995; Vice Chair, 1995  
Board Member, Rural Outdoor Education, 1996-1998  
Board Member, Samaritan Counseling Center, 1996-1999  
Council Member, Ascension Lutheran Church, 1995-1998; President, 1997-1998  
Smart Reader, Jackson School, 1998-1999  
Advisory Board Member, Child Care Connections, 1993-1997  
Member, Rogue Valley Civic League, 1993-1996

## **MEDIATION/ARBITRATION TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Arbitrator for Jackson & Josephine County Courts; Arbitration Service of Portland

Mediation and Conflict Management (40 hours), Southern Oregon University,  
July, 1996, Michael Belsky and Jonathan Lange, Instructors; Divorce Mediation  
Training Coach, Southern Oregon University, 2002, 1998

Mediator, Mediation Works/ Jackson County Courts Small Claims, 1997-2000

## **REFERENCES**

Justice Walter L. Carpeneti  
Rev. Jim Stumbo, Ph.D.  
Mary N. Miller

Alaska Supreme Court  
Wellspring Counseling Center  
former Executive Director, Mediation Works