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EDUCATION:

· University of Tampa (B.A., 1962); Stetson University College of Law (J.D., 1965); Phi Alpha Delta (Marshall, 1963-1964; President, 1964-1965); Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities (1964-1965).

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE:

· The Florida Bar, 1965; U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida, 1968; U.S. Supreme Court, 1969; U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit, 1981; U.S. Court of Federal Claims, 1993.

PUBLICATIONS:

· "A Handbook of Florida Statutes Relating to Medical Records, with Commentary," Gulf Coast Medical Records Association, 1977;
· Monthly Case Commentary for Florida Torts Reporter (Matthew Bender & Co.), 1989 to present;
· "A Review and Reconsideration of Florida's Rule Against Basing an Inference on an Inference in Civil Cases," Stetson Law Review, Summer 1994;
· "Don't Sacrifice the Tort System on the Altar of Health Care Reform," The Florida Bar Journal, December 1994; and "Rule 4-4.2: Continuing Confusion about the Limits of Ex Parte Communications with Former Employees of a Corporate Defendant," The Florida Bar Journal, April 1996;
· Guest editorials: The Tampa Tribune, March 13, 1995; "In Defense of the Tort System;" The St. Petersburg Times, July 23, 1995; "Public Needs to be Aware of Hospitalization Risks;"
· "No-Fault Medical Injury Compensation: Hoofbeats or Pipe Dreams?" St. John's Law Review, Summer, 1995;
· Book Reviews: "The Death of Common Sense: How Law is Suffocating America," The Federal Lawyer, October, 1995; "The Law Firm and the Public Good," The Federal Lawyer, March/April, 1996; "How Lawyers Screw Their Clients and What You Can Do About It," The Federal Lawyer, October, 1996; "Billing Innovations: New Win-Win Ways to End Hourly Billing," The Federal Lawyer, May, 1997; "Accidental Justice: The Dilemmas of Tort Law," The Federal Lawyer, January, 1998; "Like Judgment Day: The Ruin and Redemption of a Town Called Rosewood," The Federal Lawyer, February, 1998; "One Nation Indivisible: How Ethnic Separatism Threatens America," The Federal Lawyer, January, 1999; and "Preparing Witnesses: A Practical Guide for Lawyers and Their Clients," The Federal Lawyer, March/April, 2001; "What Are Freedoms For?," The Federal Lawyer, November/December, 2001; "Business on Trial: The Civil Jury and Corporate Responsibility," The Federal Lawyer, July, 2002; "The Price of Terror," The Federal Lawyer, August, 2002; "The Forgotten Memoir of John Knox: A Year in the Life of a Supreme Court Clerk in FDR's Washington," The Federal Lawyer, October, 2003; "Dominion: The Power of Man, the Suffering of Animals, and the Call to Mercy," The Federal Lawyer, February 2004.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND:

· Michael Foster, P.A., April, 1990, to present
· Genders & Foster, P.A., January, 1985, to March, 1990;
· Wagner, Cunningham, Vaughan & Genders, P.A., 1976 to January, 1985;
· State Attorney's Office, 13th Judicial Circuit, 1969-1976 (Chief Assistant, 1974-1976);
· Florida Rural Legal Services, Inc., 1967 to 1969;
· U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, 1965 to 1967.

MEMBERSHIPS:

The Florida Bar (Trial Practice Section); Hillsborough County Bar Association (Trial Lawyers Section); American Bar Association (Torts & Insurance Practice and Litigation Sections); Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers; Association of Trial Lawyers of America; William Glenn Terrell Inn, American Inns of Court, 1988 to present, (Master of the Bar; Membership Committee 1991-1992; Secretary 1993-1994); American Board of Trial Advocates; Federal Bar Association.

BAR COMMITTEES:

· 13th Judicial Circuit Nominating Commission, 1984-1987 (Chairman, 1986-1987);
· 13th Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee 13D, 1985-1988 (Vice-Chairman, 1987-1988).

CERTIFICATION:

· Florida Bar Board Certified Civil Trial Lawyer;
· Certified by the Florida Supreme Court as a Circuit Mediator;
· Board Certified Civil Trial Lawyer by the National Board of Trial Advocacy.

OTHER:

· Editorial Review Board, Florida Torts Reporter (Matthew Bender & Co., Inc., 1988);
· Member Board of Trustees, Tampa Preparatory School, Tampa, Florida, 1985-1991, (Nominating Committee; Chair, Ad Hoc AIDS Committee; Chair, Long Range Planning Committee);
· Martindale-Hubbell rating: a.v.