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Prior to law school, Mr. McGee spent several years living and working in the Middle East as a cross-cultural exchange coordinator and executive recruiter. Mr. McGee also taught English in a refugee camp in northern Jordan. He speaks Arabic.