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Adjunct Professor, Georgetown Law School

PROFESSIONAL:

1989-Pres. Jones Day, Partner and Of Counsel (1989-2018)
Supreme Court and Appellate Practice

2006-Pres. Adjunct Professor, Georgetown Law School

2008-2017 Adjunct Professor, Duke Law School

Spring 2014 Adjunct Professor, Stanford Law School

2007-2009 Adjunct Professor, NYU Law School

2010-2011 President, American Academy of Appellate Lawyers

2006-2007 President, Edward Coke Appellate Inn of Court

1989-1990 Deputy Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice

1986-1988 Principal Deputy Solicitor General, U.S. Department of Justice

1981-1986 United States Attorney, Eastern District of California, U.S. Department of Justice

1979-1981 Associate, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, San Jose, California

1977-1979 Assistant U.S. Attorney, Northern District of California, San Jose, California

1976-1977 Law Clerk, Justice William H. Rehnquist

1975-1976 Law Clerk, Judge Malcolm R. Wilkey, D.C. Circuit

OTHER CURRENT POSITIONS:

Member, Checks and Balances (2018-Present)

Council, American Law Institute (2018-Present)

Chair, Publications Comm., U.S. Sup. Ct. Hist. Soc. (2014-Present)

Board of Directors, National Parks Conservation Association (2006-Present)

Board of Directors, American Rivers (1997-2006, 2017-Present)

Board of Directors, The Potomac Conservancy (2017-Present)

EDUCATION:

J.D., Harvard Law School, 1975
Harvard Law Review (Articles Editor)

M.A., Harvard University, 1973 (American History)

B.A., Stanford University, 1971 (History)
Weter Prize, Outstanding senior thesis in history

SELECTED WRITINGS:

Why Bill Barr Is So Dangerous, *The Atlantic*, June 2019
<https://www.theatlantic.com/ideas/archive/2019/06/bill-barrs-dangerous-pursuit-executive-power/592951/>

Bill Barr Must Resign, *The Atlantic*, February 2020
<https://www.theatlantic.com/ideas/archive/2020/02/donald-ayer-bill-barr-must-resign/606670/>

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