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Following an extensive and diversified career in corporate, government, and international affairs, I have re-established a focus on and commitment to public service. My most recent career efforts and passion for public service have been devoted to a combination of trial court and administrative services in the public sector and the field of substance use disorder services working with substance-involved client populations and court-involved effected populations.

- Draw upon significant previous experience and expertise as an advisor to world-class companies and organizations in the U.S. and abroad, with a focus on the effective management of regulatory, legal, and legislative/policy matters; global business development; and complex business transactions/ventures. Served as a versatile resource to C-level executives, boards of directors, entrepreneurs, investors, high net worth individuals/families, and other stakeholders.
- Additional extensive hands-on experience in the areas of Massachusetts trial court practices and public policy with a parallel expertise in holistic wellness treatment, personal recovery coaching, and residential recovery treatment.

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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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**The Boston Municipal Court Department, Central Division**

*Boston, MA*

*Assistant Clerk Magistrate*

*2021-Present*

- Perform magisterial duties such as determining probable cause for the issuance of criminal complaints and search warrants; conduct hearings to determine whether criminal complaints and/or arrest warrants may issue; enter and process criminal default or straight warrants; conduct civil motor vehicle citation appeals; adjudicate small claims hearings, motions, and trials; and preside over show-cause hearings.
- Support the *Boston Veterans' Treatment Court*, a treatment-focused collaborative program to provide veterans – whose underlying service-related challenges brought them into the justice system – with a tailored but flexible, supervised treatment program that restores their dignity and returns them to being law-abiding, productive members of society, thereby enhancing public safety.
- Support the *Homeless Court* which seeks to expand access to the criminal justice system and reduce barriers faced by homeless individuals, reduce recidivism, facilitate participant sobriety, improve employment and/or educational status and promote stable housing.

**Gosnold Behavioral Health**

*Falmouth, MA*

*Recovery Manager, Emergency Departments*

*2020-2021*

- Contracted on behalf of Gosnold, an award-winning and nationally accredited addiction and mental health treatment program, to work within the emergency rooms of Cape Cod Healthcare Hospitals in Falmouth and Hyannis, MA and Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital-Plymouth, MA as an integral part of a first responder team with ER patients presenting with substance use disorders.
- Formulated and monitored recovery plans for patients in very early recovery from addictions and placed individuals in the appropriate level of recovery settings, including residential and outpatient services.
- Completed licensing requirements to become a Massachusetts Certified Addiction Recovery Coach (CARC).

**Herren Wellness**

*Seekonk, MA*

*Wellness Associate*

*2018-2020*

- Supported the mission and focus of a holistic residential substance use, health and wellness treatment center for men and women founded by former NBA basketball player, Chris Herren.
- Collaborated on and implemented treatment activities, strategies, and wellness recovery support for a co-ed residential treatment facility.
- Completed the training for the Connecticut Community for Addiction Recovery (CCAR) "Recovery Coach Academy" certification.

**Law Offices of Gerard F. Doherty, Esq.**

*Of Counsel*

Boston, MA  
2005–2018

- Experience with criminal defense representation accepting assignments with the Massachusetts Committee for Public Counsel Services (CPCS).
- Experience in criminal and civil litigation, representing a broad array of clients in financial services, philanthropy, real estate development, and transportation in matters before all sectors and levels of governments.

**Resourcehouse Limited**

*Managing Director*

Brisbane, Australia  
2007–2010

- Served as Managing Director of an international subsidiary commodities group in preparation for an initial public offering on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.
- Retained by prominent Australian businessman Clive Palmer to identify, evaluate, and assess feasibility of various international opportunities and investments for Mineralogy Pty. Ltd. Australia.

**Bank of America** (formerly FleetBoston Financial)

*Director of Public Policy: New England*

Boston, MA  
1988–2004

- Promoted to lead development and implementation of public affairs initiatives supporting New England and the Mid-Atlantic region following the merger of Bank of America and FleetBoston Financial.
- Designed and launched communications programs, drawing in line-of-business heads and key corporate administrative executives while providing an open crisis-management forum.

*Predecessor organizations' roles of responsibility:*

**Fleet Financial Group**

- *SVP/Manager of Public Policy and Corporate Communications* 1991–1998

**Bank of New England Corporation**

- *VP, Government Relations* 1988–1991

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**CIVIC, NONPROFIT & COMMITTEE EXPERIENCE**

**Association of Magistrates and Assistant Clerks**

*Executive Board Member*

Boston, MA  
2024

- Promotes training and continuing education for MA Clerk and Assistant Clerk Magistrates in performing their duties and responsibilities set forth in state statutes and court rules.

**Democratic National Convention (2004) Host Committee**

*Treasurer*

Boston, MA  
2002–2006

- Recruited by then Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino and then U.S. Senator Edward M. Kennedy to serve as the Host Committee Treasurer for a 501(c)(3) organization with financial oversight of a \$58MM budget. The host committee concluded its activities with an unprecedented surplus of \$6.4MM which was then awarded to a large collective of eligible community groups and other not-for-profit organizations in the Greater Boston area.

**Gentleman's Partnership**

*Founding Member/Public Relations Head*

Newburyport, MA  
2004–2006

- Partnered in the establishment of a nonprofit organization focused on raising awareness and education for the prevention of domestic abuse, raising \$1.2MM in funding for the Jeanne Geiger Crisis Center, Inc.

**City of Beverly**

*Councilor-at-Large*

Beverly, MA  
1986–1993

- Elected four times to consecutive two-year terms as a citywide office holder for a community of 42,000 people.

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**EDUCATION**

J.D., Suffolk University Law School

Boston, MA

B.A., History & English, Assumption University

Worcester, MA

**Active Member: Supreme Judicial Court of the Massachusetts Bar  
and Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Real Estate**