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Curriculum Vitae

Education:

B.A. (*cum laude*), University of Michigan, 1971

J.D. (*cum laude*), University of Michigan Law School 1973

Employment:

1973-1975

Pre-hearing Research Attorney, Michigan Court of Appeals
Law Clerk, Hon. Michael Kelly, Michigan Court of Appeals

1976 - Present

Founding Partner, Bendure & Thomas (formerly Gromek,
Bendure & Thomas) Law Firm, 645 Griswold, Suite 4100
Detroit, Michigan 48226

Areas of Concentration: Trial and Appellate litigation,

primarily business, personal injury, civil rights, employment

Professional Activities and Honors:

Author, Michigan Bar Journal article re: owner liability in construction site injury cases

Author, Practical Lawyer article re: police liability for injuries arising in a chase

Author, General Practitioner article re: summary disposition pitfalls

Speaker, Michigan Trial Lawyers Association seminars

Speaker, American Bar Association TIPS Annual Meeting

Speaker, Institute of Continuing Legal Education Program

Volunteer Investigator - Michigan Attorney Grievance Commission

Volunteer Fee Arbitrator - Michigan Attorney Grievance Commission

Volunteer Settlement Mediator - Michigan Court of Appeals
Pilot Program

Session Moderator, Michigan Appellate Bench-Bar Conferences

Former Chairman, State Bar of Michigan Appellate Court
Administration Committee

Recipient - - Thomas Cooley Law Review Distinguished
Brief Award (best 3 Michigan Supreme Court Briefs
each year) 1991, 2002

Recipient: MTLA Pacesetter recognition (July, 2006)

Recipient: United States District Court Certificate of
Recognition for Pro Bono work

Recipient: Selected for inclusion in *Best Lawyers in America*
(Appellate)(2006)

Lead trial counsel for Plaintiffs in trials resulting in verdicts
exceeding \$20,000,000

Lead appellate counsel in over 300 appeals in the Michigan
and United States Appellate Courts

Volunteer - - TLC (Trial Lawyers Who Care) (volunteer legal
services for 9/11 victim claims)

Recipient: 2007 Super Lawyers Appellate Award

Recipient: 2007 D Business "Top Lawyers of Detroit" Appellate