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LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

1995-Present: Founder and shareholder, *Gardner Groff Greenwald & Villanueva, P.C.* AV@-rated by Martindale-Hubbell. My practice is broad spectrum, including patents, trademarks, copyrights, licensing, opinions and counseling and related litigation matters. Most of my patent prosecution work is in telecom, mechanical, electrical and electro-mechanical arts, primarily for large corporate clients. In litigation, I represent a wide variety of clients from large corporate clients to smaller companies and individuals in patent, trademark and copyright disputes.

1993-1995: Associate (1993), Partner (1994-5) with the Atlanta IP firm of *Deveau, Colton & Marquis*. I helped establish the firm in January of 1993 after the sudden dissolution of *Hurt, Richardson, Garner, Todd & Cadenhead*. My practice during this time was almost exclusively patent litigation and patent prosecution. In prosecution, I was responsible for mechanical and electrical patent projects (I had to do some electrical patent prosecution because the firm had some high-tech electrical work, but no senior electrical prosecutor to handle it). In addition, I handled much of the firm's PCT patent prosecution (international applications) and inbound foreign-origin prosecution work. In litigation, I gained valuable trial experience, handling direct and cross-examination of most key witnesses in a patent infringement trial.

1990-1992: Associate with the Atlanta general practice firm of *Hurt, Richardson, Garner, Todd & Cadenhead* (at the time one of Atlanta's largest firms). My practice during this time was almost exclusively patent litigation and patent prosecution. I gained good experience in handling depositions and hearings, as opposed to just attending and assisting as I had done in the past. I joined *HRGT&C* after the dissolution of *Thomas & Kennedy*.

1988-1990: Associate with the Atlanta IP firm of *Thomas & Kennedy*. My practice during this time was almost exclusively patent prosecution and patent litigation. I was trained by three (3) senior patent attorneys (each having an approach distinctly different from the other two) in the drafting of applications. In litigation, I did what most new patent lawyers get to do, namely discovery, correspondence, assisting with depositions, drafting briefs, etc. However, I was fortunate to get to participate in an appeal to the CAFC in a patent infringement case.

TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE:

1983-1988: Manufacturing Engineer and Computer System Analyst for *Lockheed-Georgia Company* in Marietta. I began as a tool engineer responsible for the evaluation and selection of certain tools used in the fabrication and assembly of aircraft. Later, I used my computer skills to expose a significant procurement issue, leading to me being transferred to a Computer Aided Manufacturing department and being employed as a computer systems analyst for the company. During this time I was designing, writing and implementing relational database applications to solve manufacturing problems. While working for Lockheed, I attended graduate school at Georgia Tech (the masters program in mechanical engineering), but switched after about a year to law school, earning my law degree in 1988. Also while working for Lockheed, I

did freelance computer programming (outside consulting) in both DOS and MacIntosh environments.

1973-1983: Auto Mechanic. I worked in various auto repair shops (including my own for two years) as a German car mechanic. While working as a mechanic here in Atlanta, I put myself through Georgia Tech, earning my B.M.E. in 1983.

EDUCATION:

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia: Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering, 1983

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia: Graduate studies in the School of Mechanical Engineering to pursue a master's degree, 1983 – 1984 (no degree received).

Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia: Juris Doctor, 1988

PUBLISHED ARTICLES:

- CAN LITIGATION MISCONDUCT BE USED TO PROVE WILLFUL PATENT INFRINGEMENT?, Intellectual Property Today (August 1998)
- PROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATIONS CAN HELP SAVE TIME AND MONEY, Poultry Times (January 12, 1998)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

State Bar of Georgia (member since 1988)

Intellectual Property Section of State Bar of Georgia (Chair of the Litigation Committee 2003-2005; Chair of Trademarks Committee 2000-2002)

American Bar Association

American Intellectual Property Law Association

Society of Automotive Engineers (Chairman, Atlanta Section 1996-7)

LANGUAGES:

Some knowledge of German (I took five years of German language in high school and college, but I am out of practice).

OUTSIDE INTERESTS AND ACTIVITIES:

Society of Automotive Engineers (Chairman of Atlanta Section, 1996-7), restoration of antique automobiles, furniture making, astronomy, golf, former Scout leader.