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I grew up in State College, graduated from Penn State, and the law school of the University of Pennsylvania. After law school, I served two years on active duty in the Army including one year in Vietnam as a captain with an artillery battalion which was based in Cu Chi, near the Cambodian border. Among my military awards, I received two bronze stars.

After the Army, I practiced law for forty-eight years in Lock Haven as a member of Snowiss, Steinberg & Faulkner, including serving as solicitor of Clinton County for forty years. In 2001, I was honored as the Pennsylvania County Solicitor of the Year. I have also represented the City of Lock Haven, Ferguson Township, and numerous economic development authorities and organizations including being appointed by the governor as an original member of the Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority. In 1999, I was recognized by the Clinton County Economic Partnership with the O'Reilly Award "given annually to the person who has done the most to improve Clinton County." Currently, I serve as the chairman of the Ferguson Township Planning Commission.

My most significant professional achievement was representing the Lock Haven Area Flood Protection Authority. Over a number of years, the Authority was responsible for all necessary actions to acquire the necessary property and construct a dike and levee system around the City of Lock Haven. The purpose of this project was to prevent future devastation as that which had resulted from the effects of Hurricane Agnes in 1972. (This project was also helpful in putting our children through college.)

Susan and I had two children. Our son, Michael, is deceased, survived by our daughter-in-law and are two grandsons. Michael was a partner in a Washington, D.C. law firm. Our daughter, Naomi, is the Vice President for Advocacy and Policy for HIAS, an international refugee and resettlement agency based in Washington, D.C.

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