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EXPERIENCE:

2020 –

Blancato Legal Services PLLC
Winston-Salem, NC

Practice focusing on mediations, arbitrations and collaborative practice

2013 – 2020

Doughton Blancato PLLC
Winston-Salem, NC

Member

Practice focusing on mediations, arbitrations, construction law and general civil litigation with an emphasis on business matters.

2007 – 2012

John S. Clark Company, LLC
Winston-Salem, North Carolina
General Counsel/Secretary

Responsible for: representing \$350 mm regional general contractor in legal proceedings in court, arbitration and mediation; resolving subcontractor, owner and vendor disputes; reviewing and preparing contracts; handling employment matters; and assisting with general legal issues

1997 – 2006

Blancato Doughton & Hart PLLC
(formerly McCall Doughton & Blancato, PLLC)
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Litigation Partner – practice focused on construction, business, employment, professional negligence and municipal liability

1994 – 1997

Bennett & Blancato, LLP
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Litigation Partner - practice focused on construction, business, employment, professional negligence and municipal liability

1987 – 1994

**Hendrick Zotian Bennett & Blancato
Winston-Salem, North Carolina**

Litigation Partner – practice focused on construction, business, employment, professional negligence and municipal liability

1984 – 1987

**Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice
Winston-Salem, North Carolina**

Litigation Associate - practice focused on municipal liability, premises liability and professional negligence

1983 – 1984

**United States Claims Court
Washington, D.C.**

Law Clerk to Chief Judge Alex Kozinski

Performed legal research, drafted memoranda and opinions to assist Chief Judge on pending cases which typically involved tax, contract and 5th Amendment taking claims.

EDUCATION:

Duke University School of Law, Durham, North Carolina
JD, 1983 (with high honors)
Queens College, Flushing, New York
BA (cum laude) 1980
Major: Economics (with honors)

**PROFESSIONAL
MEMBERSHIPS &
DESIGNATIONS:**

Admitted to D.C. Bar, 1983 (inactive)
Admitted to N.C. Bar, 1985
Admitted to practice in all U.S. District Courts in
North Carolina, U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. Court of
Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and U.S. Court of
Federal Claims
NC Bar Association (Member, Litigation and Construction
sections)
Forsyth County Bar Association
N.C. Certified Mediator, 1992
Member American Arbitration Association panel of arbitrators
Private pilot
AV ® rated by Martindale-Hubbell since 1996

**PUBLICATIONS
and PRESENTATIONS:**

"Controlling Your Own Destiny: You Can With Mediation", presented at American Arbitration Construction Conference, New York, May 2008 (published in American Arbitration Association "Handbook on Mediation," Second Edition (2010));

"Recent Developments in Construction Law" presented at seminar entitled "Managing Complex Construction Law Issues in North Carolina," January 2006;

"North Carolina Lien and Prompt Payment Law," American Subcontractor's Association of the Carolinas, August 2005;

"Recovery of Interest on Performance and Payment Bond Claims," North Carolina Bar Association, The Change Order, January 2014. <https://www.ncbar.org/media/560866/recovery-of-interest-on-performance-and-payment-bonds.pdf>

"Never Accept an AIA 312 performance bond from a subcontractor," North Carolina Construction News, January 2014. <https://www.ncconstructionnews.com/never-accept-an-aia-a312-performance-bond-from-a-subcontractor/>

"Modifying Subcontracts to Anticipate a Multi-Party Dispute," presented at North Carolina Bar Association Construction Section Annual Meeting, September 2014

"Teaming Agreements and Good Faith," North Carolina Bar Association, The Change Order, September 2016. <https://www.ncbar.org/media/709021/teamingagreementsandgoodfaithcoseptember2016final-4.pdf>