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He is a retired U.S. Administrative Law Judge and previously worked for many years as a lawyer in private practice, both at a large law firm and as vice president in the Law Department of a Fortune 100 corporation. He is admitted to the bars of Connecticut and of the U.S. Supreme Court.

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