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Obtained J.D. and admitted to the Bar in 1976. Has served as facilitator, arbitrator and evaluator. Areas of practice include personal injury, professional malpractice and commercial litigation.

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Obtained J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School and admitted to the Bar in 1972. Arbitration cases focused on commercial and professional liability. Holds various certificates of training in Arbitration and Mediation.

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Obtained B.S. from Cornell University in 1975, J.D. from Notre Dame Law School in 1982, and admitted to the Bar in 1983. Over 20 years of ADR and direct arbitration experience. Areas of practice include real estate, employment, business and civil litigation.

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Obtained various certificates in General Civil and Basic Mediations. Experience includes small claims court. SCAO approved since 2010.

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Obtained J.D. at Valparaiso University School of Law in 1993 and admitted to the Bar November 1993. Over 15 years of experience in ADR direct mediations with concentration in personal injuries.

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Obtained over 40 hours of mediation observation within general civil mediation proceedings. A non-Michigan licensed attorney, credentials completed in 2010.

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Received Bachelor of Arts from Denison University, Granville, Ohio in 1983, and J.D. from the University of Detroit School of Law in 1986. Areas of practice include civil, commercial, real estate litigation, foreclosures, loan workouts, bankruptcy, alternative dispute resolution, civil rights, and employment law.

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Obtained B.A. from Creighton University, M.P.A. from Roosevelt University, and J.D. from Creighton University. Area of practice in mediation (civil and domestic), arbitration, mediation training, civil and criminal litigation.

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Obtained J.D. and admission to the Bar in 1971. Areas of concentration include first and third party auto, premises liability, general negligence, professional negligence (primarily medical malpractice), contract disputes, employment litigation, and grievances under collective bargaining agreements.

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Obtained J.D. and admission to the Bar in 1976. Areas of concentration include legal malpractice, medical malpractice, auto negligence, and premises liability.

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Obtained B.A. in 1962 and J.D. in 1965 from the University of Michigan Law School. Areas of concentration include landlord and property litigations along with general civil litigation.

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Obtained B.A. in 1976 from Michigan State University and J.D. in 1981 from Detroit College of Law. Over 30 years of experience with case evaluations, labor law, civil practice and criminal law.

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Retired Circuit Judge of Berrien County Trial Court. Obtained BSA in 1963 and J.D. in 1966 from the University of Michigan and MBA in 1983 from the University of Chicago. Over 47 years of experience in civil litigation, and business transactions and planning.

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Obtained B.A. from Northern Illinois University in 1979 and J.D. from Drake University in 1991. With over 20 years of experience, areas of focus include public cooperation and real property law.

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Obtained J.D. and admission to the Bar in 1973. With over 40 years of practice and expertise in civil litigation.

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Obtained B.A. from University of Notre Dame in 1972 and J.D. from Valparaiso University School of Law in 1975. Areas of practice include divorce mediation and civil litigation.

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Received B.A. from University of Michigan in 1988 and J.D. from DePaul University College of Law in 1992. Concentrations include negligence law, insurance and indemnity law.

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Obtained J.D. and admission to the Bar in 1993. With over 20 years of experience, holds various certificates in Advanced Mediation Training and Conflict Resolution services.

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Obtained B.S in Business Administration in 1983 from Central Michigan University and J.D. from University of Detroit (Mercy) Law School in 1986 as well as admission to the Bar in 1986. Having over 20 years of practice experience, concentrations includes labor, employment, and commercial law.

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Obtained J.D. from the University of MI in 1969 and admitted to the Bar in 1970. Judge for Berrien County Circuit from 2008-2014. Extensive background in public sector work, commercial litigation, and labor and employment law.

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Obtained B.A. in 1975 and J.D. in 1977 from Valparaiso University. Having over 30 years of experience, concentrations include personal injury/auto negligence, professional malpractice and product liability.

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Obtained B.M. in 1976, M.M. in 1977 from the University of Michigan and J.D. from Wayne State University in 1981. Having over 30 years practice, areas of concentration include commercial litigation, mediation, and arbitration.

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Obtained B.A. in 1990, J.D. and admission to the Bar in 1993 and NACC Certified in 2007. Over 20 years of experience, areas of concentration include general civil litigation, contract, collections, and injury law.

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Licensed and in practice since 1995. Areas of expertise include civil litigation, labor and employment law and alternative dispute resolution.

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Admitted to the State Bar in 1989 and over 20 years of professional practice in advanced mediations. Areas of practice include alternative dispute resolution, business law, probate & estate planning, and real property law.

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Obtained B.A. in Political Science and J.D. from the University of Detroit School of Law in 1973. With over 40 years of professional experience, concentrations include public and landlord tenant law along with civil litigation.

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Obtained BBA from GVSU in 1980, J.D. in 1984 from Thomas M. Cooley Law School. Over 30 years of experience in probate trust litigations, real estate, and civil litigation.

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Obtained J.D. from Valparaiso University in 1978. Over 30 years of professional experience in environmental law, real property law and business law.

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Obtained B.A. from Denison University in 1973. J.D. from Washington & Lee University in 1976. Admitted to the Michigan Bar in 1976 and the Wisconsin Bar in 1999. Experience in traditional labor relations, state/federal agency work, employment litigation, unemployment insurance, taxation matters, and arbitration of employment disputes.

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Obtained B.A. from the University of Notre Dame in 1965 and J.D. from the University of Detroit School of Law in 1968. Over 40 years of professional experience in criminal law, family law and personal injury law.

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Obtained B.A. from Oberlin College in 1979 and J.D. from University of Wisconsin Law School in 1983. Admitted to the Bar in 1983. Served on the Michigan Supreme Court 1998 Dispute Resolution Task Force and is past chair of the ADR Section of the State Bar of Michigan.

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Obtained J.D. and admission to the Michigan State Bar in 1981. Over 30 years of professional experience in personal injury, business, property, and civil litigation.

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Received J.D. and admission to the Bar in 1962. Member of ABA, ATLA, MTLA, and IN Supreme Court. Over 40 years of professional experience in civil mediation and alternative dispute resolution.

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Obtained B.S. (manga cum laude) from Boston College in 1971 and J.D. from Fordham University Law School in 1975. Admitted to the State Bar in 1975. Areas of practice include banking and financial services, civil rights, commercial and business litigation as well as environmental, insurance, and product liability and personal injury

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Obtained Associate of Business from LMC, B.S. in 1977 from Michigan State University and J.D. in 1980 from Cooley Law School. With over 30 years of professional practice, focuses include ADR, probate and real estate planning.

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Received B.A. in 1966 from University of Michigan and J.D. in 1969 from Harvard Law School. Admitted to the Illinois Bar in 1969 and the Michigan Bar in 1972. With over 40 years of professional practice, focuses include ADR, labor & employment law, and litigation

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Obtained J.D. in 1970 from Chicago-Kent College of Law and admitted to the Michigan State Bar in 1971. With over 40 years of experience, areas of practice include auto negligence, medical malpractice, product liability, and general civil litigation.

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Admitted to the Bar in 1969. Areas of practice include commercial contract negotiation, product liability litigation, business and asset acquisition and divestiture, health care services, environmental and multi-party complex antitrust matters.

WILLIAM K. MURPHY

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