

## **RESUME**

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**BAR ADMISSIONS:** All Michigan courts and federal court for the Eastern District of Michigan (1971), Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals (1978), United States Supreme Court (1984), Second Circuit Court of Appeals (1989), federal court for the Western District of Michigan (1999); pro haec vice admission to the federal court for the Southern District of New York (1988) and the federal district court for South Dakota (2013).

**EDUCATION:** University of Michigan Law School, J. D. 1971; University of Chicago, A.B., 1967 (International Relations).

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:** Trials and appeals, state and federal courts, with emphasis on criminal cases.

2007-Present: Frank D. Eaman, P.L.L.C., Troy, Michigan.

1988 to 2006: Bellanca, Beattie & DeLisle, P.C., (now Bellanca Labarge, P.C.) Harper Woods and Detroit, Michigan.

1975 to 1988: Eaman & Ravitz, P.C., Detroit, Michigan.

1971 to 1975: Gage, Burgess, Knox, Burgess & Eaman, Detroit, Michigan.

**APPOINTMENTS:** By Governor Rick Snyder to the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (2014 & 2016); by Governor James J. Blanchard to the State Appellate Defender Commission on recommendation of the Michigan Supreme Court (1988); reappointed by Governor John M. Engler on recommendation of the Court (1992).

### **AWARDS & RECOGNITION:**

- Rated “AV - Preeminent” by Martindale-Hubbell since 1988;
- Michigan “Super Lawyer” since 2008;
- Distinguished Brief Award for Michigan Supreme Court briefs, from Thomas M. Cooley Law School (2011 and 1994);
- Right to Counsel Award, (2004) and Appreciation Award (1991) from Criminal Defense Attorneys of Michigan (CDAM);
- Legacy Award, Legal Aid and Defender’s Association of Detroit (LADA) (1999);
- Arthur vonBriesen Award, National Legal Aid and Defenders Association (1983);
- Distinguished Service Award of the Detroit Bar Association (1983);
- Friend of the Year Award from the Board of Trustees of Friends of Legal Aid of LADA (1983).

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

- “Voir Dire for the Criminal Defense Attorney,” Thomson-West, Aspatore Publications, *Inside the Minds*, 2013;
- “Public Defense in Michigan – From the Top to the Bottom,” *Michigan Bar Journal*, Vol. 87 No. 11 (November 2008);
- “Michigan—48th in the Country in Assigned Counsel Fees,” *The Champion*, December 2001;
- “Lawyers Set to Take Action Against Low Fees,” *Michigan Lawyers Weekly*, October 29, 2001, reprinted, *Criminal Defense Newsletter (CDL)*, November 2001;
- “Relief for Lifers: 6.500 Motion Advocacy May Yield Results,” *CDL*, June-July, 2000;
- “People of the State of Michigan v Harriet Davis,” 11 *Cooley Law Review*, No. 3, 1994;
- “Psychologically Coerced Confessions, *People v DeLisle*,” *CDL*, Nov. 1992;
- “Media Access to Prosecution Exhibits, *People v DeLisle*,” *CDL*, Vol. 16, No. 3, Dec., 1992;
- “A Model System for Indigent Defense Services,” *Michigan Bar Journal*, February, 1992, Vol. 71, No. 2;
- “*Gideon v Wainwright*--The Big Change Has Yet to Happen,” *Michigan Bar Journal*, Fiftieth Anniversary Commemorative Issue, August 1985.

**TEACHING AND LECTURING:** Adjunct professor, Cooley Law School, 2005-2013. Instructor at the Trial College of CDAM at Cooley Law School, 2004-2014. Frequent lecturer, workshop leader, moderator or panel participant for numerous presentations by CDAM, National Conference of Chief Justices and State Court Administrators, Michigan Judicial Institute, Wayne State University Medical School, the State Bar of Michigan, the Institute for Continuing Legal Education, the Michigan Association of Counties, and the Associated Press; Guest Lecturer at Detroit College of Law, University of Michigan Law School, University of Detroit Law School, and Wayne State University Law School; Speaker at various local bar association meetings throughout Michigan; guest appearances on Detroit radio and television talk shows.

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:** *Current:* Member, National Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys & CDAM; ex officio member of the CDAM Board. *Past:* Member, Michigan Public Defense Task Force of the Michigan Counsel on Crime and Delinquency, State Bar Committee on Justice Initiatives (CJI), Defender Systems and Services Committee of the State Bar, State Bar Committee on Victims Rights, and Detroit Bar Association Committee on Pro Bono Legal Services; Co-chairperson of the Criminal Issues Initiative of the CJI; Chairperson, State Bar Task Force and Committee on Assigned Counsel Standards; President, CDAM; vice president and member of LADA Board; evaluator and monitor for Legal Services Corporation (evaluating legal aid offices) and for The Spangenberg Group (evaluating public defense services); listed in *Who's Who in the Midwest* and *Who's Who in the Law*, and *Tarlow, National Directory of Criminal Lawyers*, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Ed; testified as expert witness in state and federal courts (expert on effective assistance of counsel).

## REPRESENTATIVE TRIAL AND APPEAL CASES:

- *United States v Qin*, 688 F3d 257 (CA 6, 2012) –Sixth Circuit upheld trial court’s order excluding evidence before trial;
- *United States v Melendez, et al.*, Eastern District of Michigan (EDM), (2004) –client, a Detroit Police Officer, was acquitted on all 30 counts after ten-week, highly publicized trial;
- *United States v Tocco, et al.*, EDM, (1998-2003) – client only defendant acquitted after fourteen-week, highly publicized RICO conspiracy trial; represented co-defendant on appeal and successfully fought government attempts to increase sentence;
- *People v LoCicero*, 453 Mich 496 (1996) – upholding suppression of evidence because of illegal search;
- *In Re: Recorder's Court Bar*, 443 Mich 110 (1993) – successful appeal to Michigan Supreme Court challenging low fees for appointed counsel in Wayne County;
- *People v Davis*, 442 Mich 1 (1993) – upholding suppression of evidence because of illegal search;
- *People v DeLisle*, 183 Mich App 713 (1990) – successful in upholding suppression of “confession” in nationally publicized homicide case;
- *United States v. Ebens*, 800 F2d 1422 (CA 6, 1986) – Sixth Circuit reversed the client’s conviction in the internationally publicized “Vincent Chin Case,” the subject of the Oscar-nominated documentary movie “Who Killed Vincent Chin?” and the subject of of a recent episode of “Fatal Encounters” Client was acquitted on retrial.
- *United States v Townsend*, 394 F Supp 736 (ED Mich, 1975) – successfully suppressed evidence because of illegal search.