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EDUCATION

Rutgers University School of Law
Newark, New Jersey
Juris Doctor

1977

Rutgers College
New Brunswick, New Jersey
B.A. Magna Cum Laude

1973

George Washington University
Washington, D.C.
Dean's List 1966-1968

1966 to 1968

ACTIVITIES

Rutgers Law School

Law Review, Editorial Board
Representative, Student Bar Association
Chairman, Faculty Promotions & Tenure Committee
Member, Faculty Appointments Committee
Member, Rutgers Environmental Law Society

**PROFESSIONAL
EXPERIENCE**

PRINCIPAL, MICHELE R. DONATO, P.A.

1988 to Present

Specialization in land use law, environmental law,
historic preservation law and prerogative writ litigation.

Partner

1980 to 1988
Frizell & Pozycki, Esqs.
Metuchen, New Jersey

Coadjutant Faculty Member

1983 to Present
Rutgers University
Dept. of Government Services
New Brunswick, New Jersey

Associate

1978 to 1980
Anshelewitz, Barr, Ansell
& Bonello
Oakhurst, New Jersey

Law Clerk

1977 to 1978
Honorable Merritt Lane, Jr.,
A.J.S.C., prerogative writ calendar
for Monmouth County

Law Clerk

1977

Essex County
Essex County Prosecutor's Office,
Appellate Section

Law Clerk

1976

Shanley & Fisher
Newark, New Jersey

PUBLICATIONS

Author

The Department of the Public Advocate
Public Interest Representation and Administrative Oversight,
30 Rutgers L. Rev. 386 (1977)

Editor

Survey of Administrative Law,
30 Rutgers L. Rev. (1977)

Author

New Jersey Practice, Skills and Methods, Updates
1981 through 1985

Author

Preserving New Jersey
Commentary, 1986 through 1987

Frequent contributor to New Jersey Planner, League of Municipality articles and similar publications.

Edited the 2013 edition of Cox, Zoning and Land Use Administration in New Jersey.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

General Counsel, New Jersey Planning Officials (2012 to the present)
Assistant and Associate Counsel to New Jersey Planning Officials (1992 to 2012)
Trustee, New Jersey Institute of Local Government Attorneys (2008 to present);
President, Preservation New Jersey (1990 through 1992)

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:

2013 William Cox Award for Excellence in Land Use
2011 to 2014 Super Lawyers

FORMER MUNICIPAL CLIENTS

Bay Head Planning Board (Special Counsel 2002 to 2007);
Cape May Historic Preservation Commission (Special Counsel 1998 to 2004);
Cranbury Historic Preservation Advisory Committee (1991 to 2005);
Holmdel Planning Board (Special Counsel (2004 to 2008);
Hopewell Township Planning Board (2000 to 2004);
Lavallette Planning Board (1995 to 1999);
Maplewood Historic Preservation Commission (2007 to 2010);
Ocean City Historic Preservation Commission (1990 to 1995);
Piscataway Township Zoning Board of Adjustment (1980 to 1985);
Plainfield Historic Preservation Commission (1985 to 1995);
Ridgewood Historic Preservation Commission (Special Counsel 1992);

Tinton Falls Planning Board (1988 to 2005).

PRESENT CLIENTS

Beach Haven Historic Preservation Commission (2011 to present)
Newark Landmarks and Historic Preservation Commission (2012 to present)
Plainfield Planning Board (1985 to 2013);
Roosevelt Planning Board (1993 to present);
Shrewsbury Planning Board (1993 to present).

REFERENCES

References and writing sample available upon request.