

CURRICULUM VITAE

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DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH:

December 12, 1961
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

CITIZENSHIP:

U.S.A.

MARRIED:

Elisabeth Anne King Nichols (1988)

CHILDREN:

John Campbell Nichols (1991)
James Burton Nichols (1993)

ACADEMIC DEGREES:

Juris Doctor – University of Kentucky
Law School – Dean's List
Lexington, Kentucky – 1988

Salmon P. Chase, College of Law
Highland Heights, Kentucky
Attended 1985-1986
Dean's List, Book Award

Bachelor of Science – Education

Asbury College – Dean’s List
Undergraduate Education
Wilmore, Kentucky – 1983

Diploma – Boyd H. Anderson High School
Lauderdale Lakes, Florida - 1979

LICENSURE:

Kentucky Bar # 82717 (1988)
Tennessee Bar # 025144 (2007)

**MARTINDALE -
HUBBELL RATING:**

AV® Preeminent™

CURRENT PRACTICE AREAS:

Medical Malpractice Defense, Personal
Injury Law Insurance Defense, Appellate
Matters and Administrative Matters

PREVIOUS PRACTICE AREAS:

Employment, Commercial and Personal
Lines, Construction Law, Corporate Law,
including Mergers and Acquisitions,
Banking and Immigration Law

LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

1985 – 1986

Jolly & Blau
Newport, Kentucky
Personal Injury
Law Clerk

1986 – 1988

Greenebaum, Doll & McDonald
Lexington, Kentucky
Litigation
Summer Associate/Law Clerk

1988 – 1990

Greenebaum, Doll & McDonald
Lexington, Kentucky
Corporate and Immigration Litigation
Associate

1990 – 1995 *Hays, Moss and Lynn*
Lexington, Kentucky
Insurance Defense
Associate

1996 – 1998 *Lynn, Fulkerson & Nichols, PLLC*
Lexington, Kentucky
Insurance Defense
Managing Partner

1998 – 2008 *Lynn, Fulkerson, Nichols & Kinkel, PLLC*
Lexington, Kentucky
Insurance Defense
Managing Partner (through 2006)

2008 – 2010 *Wellman & Nichols, PLLC*
Lexington, KY
Managing Partner

2010 – present *Wellman, Nichols & Smith, PLLC*
Lexington, KY
Managing Partner

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE:

1976 – 1983 *All Broward Locksmiths*
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida
Locksmith

1983 – 1984 *St. Paul United Methodist Church*
El Dorado, Arkansas
Director of Choirs and Youth

1985 – 1987 *First Baptist Church*
Covington, Kentucky
Director of Music

1994– 1997 *St. Luke United Methodist Church*
Lexington, Kentucky
Director of Sr. High Choir

ADMISSIONS TO PRACTICE LAW:

Commonwealth of Kentucky (1988)

State of Tennessee (2007)

U.S. District Court, Eastern District (1988)

U.S. District Court, Western District (1988)

U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit (1988)

MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS:

American Inns of Court, Henry Clay Inn

American Bar Association (1988-2000)

Defense Research Institute

Delta Theta Phi

Fayette County Bar Association

Kentucky Bar Association

Tennessee Bar Association

Kentucky Defense Counsel

Kentucky Academy of Hospital Attorneys

Board of Directors, Trinity Christian Academy, 2000-2003

Development and Public Relations Chairman, Trinity Christian Academy, 2000-2002

Extra-Curricular Activities and Long Range Planning Chairman, Trinity Christian Academy, 2002-2003

First Presbyterian Church of Plantation, Florida (PCA), 1965-1984

First Baptist Church of Covington, Kentucky, 1985-1987

St. Luke United Methodist Church Lexington, Kentucky, 1988-1999

Southland Christian Church
1999 - Present

Ichthus Ministries, Inc., Board of Directors,
2006 - 2011 (Vice-Chair)

Asbury College Achieve Program, Advisory
Board, 2007 – 2009

Fellow, Kentucky Bar Foundation

HONORS:

Trial Lawyer of the Year, Kentucky Trial
Court Review, 2015

Kentucky's Best Lawyers, 2012 - present

Defense Star, OMS National Insurance
Company

Best Lawyers in America 2007 – present

Marquis Who's Who in American Law

Life Member, National Registry of Who's
Who, 2000 Edition

Strathmore's Who's Who, 2000-2001
Edition

Dean's List, Asbury College

Dean's List, Salmon P. Chase College of
Law

Book Award, Legal Research, Salmon P.
Chase College of Law

Dean's List, University of Kentucky,
College of Law

National Republican Committee, Business
Advisory Council, 2001

Nominee, National Republican Committee,
Tax Reform Workshop, 2001

**PREFERRED COUNSEL APPOINTMENTS
AND SPECIAL TRAINING:**

TeamHealth, Inc.

University of Kentucky Medical Center

OMS National Insurance Company
Preferred Attorney Group

Virtual Radiographic, Inc.

Western Litigation, Inc.

Schumacher Group

Fortress Insurance Company

Medical Protective Company, High Risk
Cases

St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company
(1990-2000)

Special Training Courses in Cancer,
Cardiac, Oral Surgery, Emergency Medicine
and Cerebral Palsy Defense

PUBLICATIONS AND WRITINGS:

1. Immigration: Stiff New Employer Sanctions Under IRCA, Law Letter, Greenebaum, Doll & McDonald, June 1989.
2. The Legal Aspects of Doing International Business in Kentucky, Contributing Author, Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, 1990.
3. Relief From Deportation, Immigration Support Services, 1991.
4. Legal Issues for the Coach, 1995.
5. Confidentiality of Medical Records, Lorman Business Center, 1995.

6. Confidentiality of Medical Records, Medical Educational Services, 1995.
7. Legal Issues for the Athletic Trainer, 1995.
8. Legal Issues for the Coach, 1996.
9. Confidentiality of Medical Records, Lorman Business Center, 1996.
10. Cooperating With Defense Counsel, St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company September 1996.
11. Legal Issues for the Athletic Trainer, 1996.
12. Legal Issues for the Coach, 1997.
13. Confidentiality of Medical Records, Lorman Business Center, 1997.
14. Legal Issues for the Athletic Trainer, 1997.
15. Legal Issues for the Cheerleading Coach, 1997.
16. Access Issues and Advance Directives, CNA, 1997.
17. Working With Defense Counsel, Southeast Kentucky Area Health Education Center, 1997.
18. Advance Directives, 1998.
19. Proof Problems and Practice Pointers in Slip and Fall Cases, National Business Institute, 1999.
20. Objections to the Oral Testimony of Witnesses, National Business Institute, 2000.
21. Expert Witnesses, National Business Institute, 2000.
22. Procedural Aspects of Medical Malpractice, National Business Institute, 2001.
23. The Internet – Your Newest Tool for Medical Malpractice Claims, National Business Institute, 2001.
24. Discovery Tools and Tactics in Medical Negligence Cases, National Business Institute, 2002.
25. Expert Witnesses, National Business Institute, 2002.

26. Preparing to Successfully Defend a Medical Malpractice Suit, GE Medical Protective, November 2002.
27. The Internet: Your Newest Tools for Medical Malpractice Claims, National Business Institute, 2003.
28. Procedural Aspects of Medical Malpractice, National Business Institute, 2003.
29. Informed Consent, Recent Developments and a Trial Attorney's Perspective on Risk Management Issues, GE Medical Protective, October 2003.
30. Personal Injury 101, National Business Institute, 2012.
31. So, You Want to be a Physicians: A Survey of Physicians, Pepperdine University, First Year Seminar, 2012.
32. Anatomy of a Lawsuit – Avoiding Pitfalls, SMSNA National Conference, Las Vegas, NV, 2015

PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES:

1. Law and Education, Asbury College, 1987.
2. Law and Education, Asbury College, 1989.
3. Relief From Deportation, Immigration Support Services, 1991.
4. Confidentiality of Medical Records, Lorman Business Center, 1995.
5. Confidentiality of Medical Records, Medical Educational Services, 1995.
6. Sports Medicine Symposium for High School Coaches, Trainers and Team Physicians, Eastern Kentucky University, 1995.
7. Kentucky Athletic Trainers Association BGSF Symposium, 1995.
8. Risk Management in Orthopedics, Kentucky Sports Medicine, 1995.
9. Confidentiality of Medical Records, Lorman Business Center, 1996.
10. Sports Medicine Symposium for High School Coaches, Trainers and Team Physicians, Eastern Kentucky University, June 1996.
11. Sports Medicine Symposium for High School Coaches, Trainers and Team Physicians, Eastern Kentucky University, September 1996.

12. Patient Relations and Complaint Handling – Cooperating with Defense Counsel, St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company, Employed Physicians of Appalachian Regional Healthcare, September 6, 1996.
13. Risk Management for Physical Therapists, Kentucky Sports Medicine, 1996.
14. Confidentiality of Medical Records, Lorman Business Center, 1997.
15. Sports Medicine Symposium for High School Cheerleading Coaches, Eastern Kentucky University, June 1997.
16. Working With Defense Counsel, Risk Management for ARH Physicians, Southeast Kentucky Area Health Education Center, September 13, 1997.
17. Access Issues and Advance Directives, CNA and Lexington Clinic Symposium, December 1997.
18. Risk Management for Orthopedics, Kentucky Sports Medicine, 1997.
19. Risk Management for Physical Therapists and Athletic Trainers, Joyner Medical, 1997.
20. Symposium for High School Coaches and Team Physicians, Ephriam McDowell Medical Center, 1997.
21. Advance Directives, Samaritan Hospital, February 1998.
22. Premises Liability: Preparation of a Difficult Case in Kentucky, National Business Institute, 1999.
23. How to Successfully Make and Manage Objections at Trial in Kentucky, National Business Institute, 2000.
24. Advanced Issues in Medical Malpractice, National Business Institute, 2001.
25. Handling Medical Negligence Cases in Kentucky, National Business Institute, 2002.
26. Risk Management Rounds: Physicians, GE Medical Protective Company, November 12, 2002.
27. Advanced Issues in Medical Malpractice, National Business Institute, March 7, 2003.
28. Risk Management Essentials for Physicians, GE Medical Protective, October 2003.

29. Personal Injury 101, National Business Institute, 2012
30. So, You Want to be a Physicians: A Survey of Physicians, Pepperdine University, First Year Seminar, 2012.
31. Anatomy of a Lawsuit – Avoiding Pitfalls, SMSNA National Conference, Las Vegas, NV, 2015

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS:

TeamHealth, Inc.

University of Kentucky Medical Center

OMS National Preferred Attorney Group

Virtual Radiographic, Inc.

State Volunteer Insurance Company

Schumacher Group

Fortress Insurance Company

Jackson & Coker, LLC

Medical Protective Insurance Company

Western Litigation, Inc.

Pediatrix Medical Group

Mt. Hawley Insurance Company

Nationwide Insurance Company

MISCELLANEOUS:

Received 15 Summary Judgments in one year

Centenary United Methodist Basketball League, Coach 2002-2003

Boy Scouts of America, Pack 226,
Lexington, Kentucky, Den Leader, 1998-
2002

YMCA, Basketball Coach, 2001-2002

Lexington Youth Soccer Association,
Coach, 1999-2000

Porter Memorial Basketball League, Coach,
1998-1999

Student Government Representative, Asbury
College, 1979-1981

Student Bar Association, University of
Kentucky, College of Law, 1986-1988

United Christian Athletes Basketball Team,
Coach, 2003-2004

I Am Third Basketball League, Coach,
2003-2004

Boy Scouts of America, Troop 226,
Lexington, Kentucky, Adult Volunteer
2002- 2006

Lexington Indoor Soccer, U14, Coach 2004-
2007 – Champions Several Times

Lexington Indoor Soccer, U12, Coach 2004-
2006 – Champions Several Times

Lexington Indoor Soccer, U18, Coach 2006-
2010 – Champions Several Times

Boy Scouts of America, Troop 226,
Committee Member, 2004-2006

CLASS A Soccer, Founder and
Administrator, 2007-2012

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