

*WILLIAM L. E. DUSSAULT*

*CURRICULUM VITAE*

*Emphasizing Law for Persons with Disabilities*

Education

University of Washington, BA, Political Science, History, 1969

University of Washington, Juris Doctor, Law, 1972

Admitted to Washington State Bar, September, 1972

Admitted to Federal District Court, January, 1973

Admitted to United States Supreme Court, September, 1982

Admitted to Colorado State Bar, February, 2007

Memberships, Appointments

Member, American/Washington/Seattle-King County Bar Associations

Member, Washington State Bar Association Rules of Professional Conduct Committee

Judge Pro Tempore, Seattle Municipal Court 1977-1990

Past President, Washington Chapter, National Academy for Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA)

Vice-Chairperson, American Bar Association Family Law Committee On Mental Disability  
1986-1994

Former Counsel, The Association for Persons With Severe Handicaps (TASH) 1975-1995

Editorial Board, Journal of Positive Behavior Interventions, 1998 to present

Treasurer and Executive Board Member, COPAA (Council of Parent Advocates and  
Attorneys)

Board Member, Disability International Foundation

Former Editorial Board Member, Journal of the Association for Persons With Severe  
Handicaps (JASH)

Contributing Editor, National Structured Settlement Trade Association "White Paper"  
quarterly publication on settlements (1995 onward)

Chair, National Human Rights Committee, Association for Retarded Citizens, US  
(ARC-US) 1989-1991

Member, Future Planning and Insurance Committee, ARC-US, 1986-1988

Consultant, Guardianship, ARC-US, 1988

Consultant, Autism Society of America (ASA), formerly National Society for Autistic Children  
and Adults (NSAC):

National Professional Advisory Board, 1978-to present

Chairperson, National By-Laws Committee, 1984-1986

Member, Board of Directors of Accreditation Council for Services for Mentally Retarded and Other Developmentally Disabled Persons (AC MRDD), 1982-1988, Executive Committee, 1986-1988

Member, and Vice President for Finance, Board of Directors, Brain Injury Association of America (BIA -formerly known as National Head Injury Foundation or NHIF), 1996-2001

Member, American College of Legal Medicine (ACLM) 1997-1999

Member, Washington State Superintendent of Public Instruction Committee to review and revise state Special Education Regulations 1994-1998

Vice-President, Concepts for Independent Living, National Non-Profit Corporation (CIL)

Former President and current Board Member, Lifetime Advocacy Plus (aka LA+, formerly Foundation for the Handicapped), a private non-profit Guardianship and Trust agency for handicapped and elderly individuals

Faculty, Emmanuel College, Cambridge University, England, International Institute on Head Injury and the Law

Faculty, University of Washington School of Nursing: Nursing, Law and Ethics, 1978-1994

Faculty, Philip E. Heckerling Institute on Estate Planning, University of Miami School of Law, 1995

Mentor, Seattle University School of Law, 1994-1995

Guest lectures, Seattle University Law School National Training for Special Education Administrative Law Judges 2002 to present

Adjunct Professor, University of Washington School of Law, Disability Law 1986-1994

Adjunct Professor, Central Washington University, Department of Special Education, 1982/1984

Guest Lecturer, University of Oregon and Seattle University

Keynote Speaker, National Institute on Special Education and the Law, 1987

Executive Board, Pacific Northwest Institute on Special Education and the Law, 1984 to present

Contract Reviewer, Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs, Washington DC

Washington State Special Education Commission, 1972

Washington State Legislative Review Committee, Special Education, 1972

Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, 1972 to Present

Co-Chair, 2009 Mandatory Settlement Guardian Ad Litem Training

Washington State Human Rights Commission Advisory Council for the Physically, Mentally and Sensory Handicapped, 1974-1976

Senior Rights Assistance Foundation of Washington, Advisory Board

Executive Director, Washington State Developmental Disabilities Planning Commission, 1975-1976

Consultant to Guardianship, Advocacy and Protective Services (GAPS) Program, Oregon

Keynote speaker, Washington State "You Are the Expert" conferences for parents, 1976-1996

Counsel, Washington Association for Persons with Disabilities

Volunteer, Washington State Special Olympics

Consultant, ABA Guardianship/Limited Guardianship Report, 1981

Director, Washington State Disabilities Political Action Committee (D-PAC)  
Washington State Bar Association Civil Rights Committee  
Consultant, Tourette Syndrome and the Law Workshop, 1986  
Consultant, Settlement Trusts, California State Bar All Star Seminar, 1986 and 1987  
Consultant, Bay Area Brain Injury Association\* California  
Consultant, Washington State Brain Injury Association\*  
Testimony to U.S. Senate: Handicapped Childrens Protective Act 1977  
Speaker, Brain Injury Association Legal Conference\*, 1987 through present  
Selected as Honored Member, National Directory, Who's Who, 1994  
Life Member, National Registry, Who's Who 2001 Edition  
Selected as one of Seattle's Best Lawyers, Seattle Magazine, 2001 issue  
Selected as one Washington's Best Lawyers, Washington Law & Politics 1999-present  
Selected by Washington Law and Politics and Butch Blum – one of four best lawyers in  
Washington State, 2003  
Selected by Seattle Magazine as one of Seattle's top financial managers, 2010

#### Authorship

Co-Author, RCW 28A.13 Washington State Mandatory "Education for All" Law requiring appropriate education for all children with disabilities.  
Author, 1975-1977 Washington State Limited Guardianship Act, RCW 11.88 and 11.99; participant on revisions, 1990/1991  
Author, Comprehensive review of all Washington State laws affecting disabled persons (over 500 pages of proposed legislation, with approximately 200 pages now enacted)  
Author, Initial Washington State Regulations on Special Education  
Author, Best of CLE: Planning for Disability - 1985  
Author, "Wills and Trusts - Future Planning Guide for the Parents and Families of Persons With Disabilities" - 1984  
Author, "Establishment and Operation of the Settlement Trust", 1988, and as amended  
Co-Author, "How to Provide for Their Future", ARC-US  
Author, Future Planning Guide for the Parents and Families of Persons with Disabilities, Washington ARC Trust Fund and The Foundation for the Handicapped  
Author, Numerous Law Review Articles, book chapters, seminar materials, popular articles, etc., concerning:  
Malpractice and ethical issues in personal injury settlements  
Special Needs Settlement Trusts  
Guardianship, Protective Services for the Disabled and the Elderly;  
Special Education  
Law and the Disabled

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\*This organization, which has national and state chapters, was formerly known as the Head Injury Foundation ("HIF" - National Head Injury Foundation or NHIF, Washington State Head Injury Foundation or WasHIF, etc.)

Wills and Trusts for individuals with Disability and Family  
Informed Consent  
Ethics and Research with Human Subjects  
Advocacy  
Government Benefits  
Presentations on Catastrophic Personal Injury Case Settlements – Ethics and management  
devices, National ATLA - WA, CA, UT, TX, OH, MT, CO, LA (MI pending) Trial  
Lawyers Associations  
Defense Research Institute

Sample Agency Consultations

State of Washington Superintendent of Public Instruction  
State of Washington Developmental Disabilities Planning Council  
State of Washington Protection and Advocacy Agency  
State of Washington Association for Retarded Citizens  
State of Washington Developmental Disabilities Residential Service Association  
State of Washington Coalition for Special Education  
State of Oregon Association for Retarded Citizens  
State of Oregon Division of Mental Health  
State of Montana Developmental Disabilities Council  
State of North Dakota Department of Education  
State of Kansas Department of Education  
State of Tennessee Protection and Advocacy Agency  
Northwest Association of Rehabilitation Industries

Other

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