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**BAR MEMBER:**

The Florida Bar

**EMPLOYMENT:**

1991-Present

Attorney/Shareholder. Gelfand & Arpe, P.A., a civil practice law firm; emphasizing condominium and homeowner association representation.

1987-1990

IBM United Kingdom Laboratory Liaison with IBM Boca Raton, Florida Laboratory. Coordinated contract negotiations between IBM's United Kingdom Laboratory and independent software companies located in the United States.

1982-1987 IBM Software Contracts, (entry through senior staff levels) high level negotiations with major software companies for acquisition of marketable software for IBM Computers (primarily the IBM "Personal Computer" line); drafting and administering significant software contracts; establishment of standard IBM software contracts

1981 (Summer) Trial Prosecutor Intern; Duval County State Attorney's Office; Jacksonville, Florida.

1978-1979 Assistant Director, Student Financial Aid Office; Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida.

1975-1978 Counselor, Student Financial Aid Office; Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida.

1974-1975 Assistant Director, Student Financial Aid Office; Palm Beach Atlantic College, West Palm Beach, Florida.

**EDUCATION:**

University of Florida, College of Law, Gainesville, Florida. Degree: Juris Doctor, 1981.  
Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York. Degree: Bachelor of Arts, 1974.

**CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS:**

President, Friends of the Boca Raton Library, 1990-1993.  
Vice-Chairperson, City of Boca Raton Library Advisory Board, 1990.  
Palm Beach County Board of Directors/Palm Beach County Literacy Coalition, and Chairperson, ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) Committee, 1993 to present; Co-Chair, 1996 Palm Beach County Faith and Literacy Weekend (present).

Board of Directors, *Kidzette  
Newspaper*, 1997  
Board of Directors, Nelle Smith  
Residence for Girls, Inc. (1997).  
ProBono Counsel, Children's Home  
Society (Palm Beach County). Palm  
Beach County Bar Association,  
Member 1996-1997.  
Palm Beach County United Way  
Allocation Panel, 1995-1997.  
Palm Beach County United Way  
Agency Relations Committee,  
1996-1997.

**AWARDS:**

1996 Children's Advocacy Award  
(given by the Legal Society of Palm  
Beach County, Inc. and the Palm  
Beach County Bar Association).