

Thomas J. Knopf

RETIRED JUDGES & ASSOCIATES MEDIATION & ARBITRATION SERVICES

EDUCATION

Xavier University, B.S. Economics (Magna Cum Laude), 1970

University of Louisville School of Law, J.D., 1973

Graduate Certificates: National Judicial College

Special Court Jurisdiction, 1978

Graduate Evidence, 1979

Medication Certification Training, 1998

EMPLOYMENT

2003-Present	Retired Judges Mediation & Arbitration Services
1990-03	Jefferson Circuit Court, Jefferson County, Kentucky
1984-93	Faculty, National Judicial College
1982-84	Faculty Advisor, National Judicial College
1978-90	Jefferson District Court, Jefferson County, Kentucky
1973-78	Private practice of law

BAR MEMBERSHIPS AND OFFICES HELD

1996	Member, Louisville Bar Association Executive Committee
1977-78	Member, District Court Advisory Committee
1973-Present	Member, Kentucky Bar Association
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JUDICIAL OFFICES

1978-90	District Judge
1984-85	Elected Chief Judge
1984-85	Chief Regional Judge
1984-89	Special Circuit Judge (temporary assignments)
1990-03	Circuit Court Judge
1994-97	Circuit Court Chief Judge
1979-82 Association	Member, Executive Committee, Kentucky District Judges' Association
1986	Elected Vice President, Kentucky District Judges' Association
1984-85	Chairman, Kentucky District Judges' Education Committee
1978-90	Elected District Court Representative at Judicial Ethics Committee
1979	Member, Kentucky Pre-Trial Services Advisory Committee
1982-90	Member, District Court Representative to Interagency Mental Health and Mental Retardation Special Offenders Board
1979-90	Founder and Advisor of the Jefferson District Court Dispute Mediation Program

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CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS

- 1984-90 Member, Board of Director, Brooklawn Adolescent Drug Rehabilitation Hospital
- 1984-85 Vice-Chairman, Brooklawn Adolescent Drug Rehabilitation Hospital
- 1985 Chairman, Board of Directors - Treatment Center, Brooklawn Drug Rehabilitation Hospital
- 1984-85 Member, Louisville and Jefferson County Crime Commission
- 1985 Member, Mayor of Louisville's Task Force on Prostitution
- 1985-86 Member, Mayor of Louisville's Task Force on Traffic Alcohol Program
- 1984-85 Jefferson County Commission on Child Support
- 1982-86 Member, Board of Directors Council on Prevention and Education Of Substances Abuse
- 1981-84 Member, Board of Directors, Windhurst Neighborhood Association
- 1978-Present Member, Legal Advisory Committee, Spencerian College
- 1976-77 Chairman, Boy Scout Fund Raising, Cherokee District
- 1982-86 Chairman, Lector Program, St. Albert the Great Church
- 1984-Present Member, Legal Advisory Committee, Sullivan Business College
- 1989 Member, Kentucky Bar Association, Alternative Dispute Resolute Committee
- 1989 Member, Louisville and Jefferson County Task Force, Mentally Ill Persons

AWARDS

- 1996 Louisville Bar Association Judge of the Year
- 2008 Best Lawyers in American (Alternative dispute Resolution)