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Date of Birth: December 29, 1957  
Marital Status: Married since 1994  
to Shondra Summers-Armstrong  
Children: Brandon Summers, age 32  
Dexter Summers, age 31  
Kieran Armstrong, age 18



Employment History:

State of Nevada  
Department of Administration  
Hearings Division  
2200 South Rancho Drive, Suite 220  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89102

*Appeals Officer, July 2016 to Present*

Acts as an Administrative Law Judge adjudicating assigned Hearings from the State of Nevada. Primarily adjudicates disputes in the Worker's Compensation arena. The position is appointed by the Governor of the State of Nevada.

Ray Lego & Associates  
7450 Arroyo Crossing Parkway, Suite 250  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89113  
*Senior Counsel, June 2004 to June, 2016*

Perform duties as staff counsel for Travelers' Insurance Company. I am a senior litigation attorney for the company and practice in the areas of commercial litigation, auto and personal liability defense, as well as Worker's Compensation defense for the company's insureds. My duties consist of the following: participate in arbitrations and mediations; prepare and conduct jury trials when necessary; advise clients on Nevada law requirements; conduct claim seminars and presentations; interface with persons inside and outside the company to provide quality and time efficient legal representation.

Karl Armstrong, Esq.  
1931 Fair Avenue

Las Vegas, Nevada 89106

*Self-employed, Contract Attorney, November 2003 to June 2004*

Independent contractor who performed legal research and trial preparation services for a number of legal offices. Provided legal consulting services in the areas of personal injury, employment, contract, medical malpractice and criminal law. Conducted legal research using both LEXIS and WESTLAW. Drafted motions, pleadings and other documents as required. Performed mediation, arbitration and trial preparation.

Karl Armstrong and Associates

Sharon Gwin Immerman & Associates

State Farm Staff Counsel Office

10000 West Charleston Boulevard, Suite 140

Las Vegas, Nevada

*Attorney/Interim Managing Attorney, February 2001 to September 2003*

Hired as a senior staff attorney and then appointed Interim Managing Attorney for in-house insurance defense firm representing State Farm Insureds.

As senior staff attorney worked in the areas of automobile and homeowners insurance defense. Duties consisted of: participating in arbitrations and mediations; preparing and prosecuting jury trials when necessary; advising clients on Nevada law requirements; conducting claim seminars and presentations; interfacing with persons inside and outside the company to provide quality and time efficient legal representation.

After appointment to Interim Managing Attorney, duties included supervision of four staff attorneys, two paralegals, three legal secretaries and a receptionist. Counseled employees on employment and performance issues. Adhered to company policies concerning employee discipline. Approved all time sheets and leave requests for all employees. Conducted continuing education and employment seminars for employees. Managed office workflow and work quality issues. Approved all requisitions, purchase orders and requests for payment. In addition, managed an active litigation caseload of 50 automobile and homeowners cases.

University and Community College System of Nevada

(Now known as Nevada System of Higher Education)

5550 West Flamingo Road, Suite C-1

Las Vegas, Nevada 89103

*Assistant General Counsel, February 1997 to January 2001*

Member of a five person legal staff that was responsible for representation on all legal matters of the institutions that comprise the Nevada Public Higher Education System. These institutions included: The Desert Research Institute; University of Nevada Las Vegas; University of Nevada Reno; Community College of Southern Nevada; Western Nevada Community College; Truckee Meadows Community College; and Great Basin

Community College. Represented the entire system on several advisory committees i.e. computer use and student disciplinary code of conduct. Provided representation to the Chancellor's Office as well as the Board of Regents in litigated matters. The areas of practice included: civil litigation; employment and personnel matters; contract review and interpretation; construction law and intellectual property. In addition to the above duties, managed an active litigation caseload of between 20 and 30 cases. Trial counsel on six matters that went to jury verdict in both federal and state court.

Office of the Attorney General, State of Nevada  
555 East Washington Avenue, Suite 3900  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101  
*Deputy Attorney General, November 1993 to February 1997*

Primary legal advisor to The Nevada Department of Prisons, The Nevada Parole Board and The Nevada Department of Parole and Probation. Responsible for contract review, personnel matters, policy implementation and litigation defense. Lead prosecutor in the Worker's Compensation Fraud Unit. Supervision of the Worker's Compensation Fraud Unit in Las Vegas and select cases for prosecution. Interact with public and business leaders regarding the Worker's Compensation Fraud Unit's public education efforts. Prepare and argue post conviction and Habeas Corpus Petition replies on behalf of the State of Nevada. Argued two cases with published opinions before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Lead trial counsel on three matters that went to jury verdict in federal court. Handled all aspects of litigation in the following areas on behalf of the State of Nevada: inmate civil rights; 1st, 8th and 14th Amendment; excessive force; failure to protect; medical deliberate indifference and medical and dental malpractice.

Eighth Judicial District Court  
The Honorable Sally L. Loehrer  
200 S. Third Street, Department XV  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89155  
*Law Clerk, January 1993 to August 1993*

Prepared case summaries on all pending matters. Briefed judge on all criminal and civil cases. Reviewed orders submitted by counsel for accuracy and form. Performed legal research as directed using WESTLAW and printed legal materials. Drafted for judge's review decisions on cases argued before the bench. Interacted with legal community as necessary regarding cases before the Court.

Eighth Judicial District Court  
The Honorable Addeliar D. Guy, III  
200 S. Third Street, Department XI  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89155  
*Law Clerk, August 1991 to December 1992*

Prepared case summaries on all pending matters. Briefed judge on all criminal and civil cases. Reviewed orders submitted by counsel for accuracy and form. Performed legal research as directed using WESTLAW and printed legal materials. Drafted for judge's review decisions on cases argued before the bench. Interacted with legal community as necessary regarding cases before the Court.

Office of the Cook County Public Defender  
69 West Washington, Suite 1600  
Chicago, Illinois  
*Assistant Public Defender, June 1988 to August 1991*

Began tenure in the Post Conviction Unit, which represented indigent defendants in investigating and filing post conviction petitions. Position involved reviewing the record and researching criminal issues to argue before the court to determine whether there was a basis to overturn a defendant's conviction. Subsequently posted to the Juvenile Division. Represented parents of abused and neglected children in juvenile court. Duties included: preparing protective orders; representation at termination of rights proceedings and custody determination hearings. Last posted to the 6th Judicial District Court in Markham, Illinois. Provided legal representation in felony and misdemeanor matters for indigent accused. Lead trial counsel on ten matters that went to jury verdict in state court.

Education:

Lindblom Technical High School  
130 South Wolcott Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois  
*1972 to 1976, High School Diploma with Honors, Top 5% of Class*

Northwestern University  
Evanston, Illinois  
*1976 to 1980, No degree conferred*

University of Illinois at Chicago  
Chicago, Illinois  
*1981 to 1985, Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice*

University of Iowa College of Law  
Iowa City, Iowa  
*Juris Doctor, May 1988, Top one half, C+/B- Average*

Significant High school, College and Law School activities:

#### Lindblom High School

- Lindblom Honor Society, 1972 to 1976
- Junior Achievement (President of four companies), 1972 to 1976
- President, Caduceus Club, 1973 to 1974
- Student Government, Member, 1973 to 1976
- Junior Achievement, Student Speaker, “Future Unlimited” Banquet, 1974
- Junior Achievement, Finalist – President of the Year, 1974
- Junior Achievement Leadership Award, 1974
- President, German Club, 1975 to 1976
- National Honor Society, 1975 to 1976
- National Achievement Scholarship Semifinalist, 1975 to 1976
- School Science Fair, Winner, 1976
- Senior Brothers Council, Member, 1976
- Recipient, Lindblom Leadership Scholarship, 1976
- Recipient, Top 10 outstanding Seniors Award, 1976
- Managing Editor, Lindblom Leader Newspaper, 1975 to 1976

#### Northwestern University

- Treasurer, For Members Only, 1978 to 1979
- Chair, Student Activities Funding Board, 1978 to 1979
- Treasurer, Associated Student Government, 1978 to 1980
- Member, Student Activities Funding Board, 1977 to 1980

#### University of Illinois at Chicago

- Vice Chair, Chicago Circle Center Board, 1984 to 1985
- Treasurer, Student Government, 1982 to 1984
- Chair, Recreation Committee, Chicago Circle Center Board, 1983 to 1984

#### University of Iowa College of Law

- Member, Black Law Students Association, 1985 to 1988,
- Vice President, Black Law Students Association, 1986 to 1987
- Semifinalist, Van Oosterhout Memorial Moot Court Competition, 1986 to 1987
- Staff Member, Volume 12 of *The Journal of Corporation Law*, 1986 to 1987
- Managing Editor, Volume 13 of *The Journal of Corporation Law*, 1987 to 1988

#### Bar Admittance:

State of Nevada, 1993

U.S. District Court of Nevada, 1993

9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals, 1993

Illinois State Courts, 1989

## Boards and Commissions:

- Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline  
*Commissioner, 2001-Present*  
Appointed by the State Bar of Nevada to serve as one of two attorney members of this constitutionally established commission that has exclusive jurisdiction over conduct of all state judicial officers as defined in the Canons of Judicial Ethics. Also enforces these canons of ethics. Sits as a court of judicial discipline in deciding whether to impose discipline on judicial officers alleged to have violated the canons of judicial conduct.
- Standing Committee on Judicial Ethics and Election Standards  
*Member, 2000-2001*  
Committee established by the Supreme Court to resolve ethical disputes between judges and judicial candidates during campaign season and also to render advisory opinions regarding the application of the Canons of Judicial Conduct to specific questions posed by members of the judiciary, judicial candidates, and the general public.
- FAME Transportation, Inc.  
*Member, Board of Directors and Legal Counsel, 2004-2008*  
Nonprofit organization providing transportation services to the handicapped and elderly throughout Clark County. The organization is a subsidiary of the First African Methodist Episcopal Church.
- Southern Nevada Disciplinary Board,  
*Member, 1993-2002, 2010-2014*  
Appointed by the State Bar of Nevada to serve as a member of the panel that screens and hears disciplinary cases against attorneys. This panel is charged with the responsibility for hearing cases involving lawyer violations of the Code of Professional Conduct. The panel conducted disciplinary hearings and made recommendations to the Nevada Supreme Court regarding attorney disciplinary matters.

- Las Vegas Chapter of the National Bar Association  
*Vice President, 1995-1996; Treasurer, 2011-2013*
- State Bar of Nevada  
*Member, Public Lawyer's Section, 1994 to 1996*
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Nevada  
*Member, Board of Directors, 1998-2002*
- Boulder Dam Area Council, Boy Scouts of America  
*Member, Board of Directors, 1994 to 1996*

Chairman, Easter Seals Nevada 2009-2013

Member, Board of Directors, Easter Seals Southern Nevada 2008-2020

Member, Easter Seals National Board of Directors 2018-2019

Member, 100 Black Men of Las Vegas, 2012-2013

#### Honors and Awards:

Outstanding Young Men of America

Martindale Hubbell BV Rating

Who's Who Among Students in Colleges and Universities

University of Illinois at Chicago Alumni Association Student Leadership Award

#### Jury Trial Statistics:

- Ten criminal jury trials to verdict
- Two juvenile adjudicatory trial proceedings
- Ten civil jury trials to verdict
- Three preliminary injunction hearings with full evidentiary presentations
- Two 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Appellate cases with published opinions
  - *Walker v. Deeds*, (50 F.3d 670)
  - *Riley v. Deeds*, (56 F.3d 1117)