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My expertise comes from 35 years of securities industry leadership and management, seven years as a registered financial advisor and 28 years as a successful branch office manager. My knowledge is authoritative and up-to-date. My understanding of investment products, suitability, supervision, compliance, recruiting, ethics, elder and retiree issues, among other topics, is sophisticated. My experience as an arbitration panelist, a corporate representative and a fact witness in securities disputes is a source of my competency.

## **QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERTISE**

Trained Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) arbitrator and chairperson Former member, NASD District Business Conduct Committee, District 5 Seasoned participant, panelist, corporate rep and fact witness in securities disputes Successful branch office supervisor and manager for 28 years Supervised as many as 91 financial advisors in offices in three states Extensive financial advisor recruiting experience Strong track record of supervision and compliance with securities rules and regulations Keen knowledge of characteristics and sales practices of all traditional investments No reportable occurrences on my personal FINRA CRD record.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

United States Air Force U.S., Europe and Vietnam

E.F.Hutton & Co.
Paine, Webber
R. Rowland & Co
Prudential Securities
EVEREN Securities
Wachovia Securities
Financial Advisor
Financial Advisor
Branch Office Manager
Branch Office Manager
Complex Manager

#### MEMBERSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES

Member, Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (SIFMA)
Trained FINRA arbitrator, including experience as panel chairperson
Past President, Memphis Securities Dealers Association
Past President, Memphis Grain and Hay (Memphis Board of Trade Affiliate)
Executive committee member, Branch Manager Advisory Council
Member, Branch Manager Advisory Council working with groups on compliance,
best practices, service advisory and delegation
Two-time speaker at SIFMA annual national meetings on branch office supervision

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# LICENSES AND REGISTRATIONS

All were valid and in good standing as of May, 2009

- Series 1 General Securities (Series 7 equivalent)
- Series 3 Commodities and Futures
- Series 5 Interest Rate Options
- Series 8 Branch Supervision Qualification (series 9 and 10 equivalent)
- Series 15 Foreign Currency Options (obsolete)
- Series 63 Uniform State Agent Law
- Series 65 NASAA Investment Advisors Law

Life Insurance

Variable and Fixed Annuities

Mortgage lender qualification- State of Mississippi (no longer required)

### **EDUCATION**

University of Tampa, Tampa, Florida B.S. Business Administration

University of Memphis, Memphis, Tennessee Masters level study of Economics at the Graduate School of Business at the University of Memphis

# INDUSTRY AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

FINRA Arbitrator Training

FINRA Chairperson Training

Completed 133 Continuing Education courses since 2004 on topics including:

Compliance Information Security

Privacy Retiree Issues

Elder Issues All typical investment products
AML Electronic communications
Supervision Work place HR issues
Ethics Suitability Issues

Current on all FINRA Continuing Education requirements as of May 1st 2009