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GENERAL

I practiced as a commercial real estate and finance partner with Morris, Manning & Martin for 35 years and served as Managing Partner of the firm for 16 years. In 2011 I spent a year as a Fellow at Harvard's Advanced Leadership Initiative (ALI). Since 2011 have formed and worked with an international nonprofit organization and taught as adjunct professor at Emory University School of Law.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2012– 2015: Adjunct Professor, Emory University School of Law

Courses taught: Deal Skills and Contract Drafting.

2011 – 2015: Liberian Energy Network

In 2011 another Harvard ALI Fellow and I formed the Liberian Energy Network (LEN) for the purpose of distributing portable solar lights throughout Liberia, where there is virtually no electric grid or light. I continue to work on a part-time basis as Vice President, CFO and Director of LEN. We have distributed over 6,000 solar lights to 30,000 users, including schools, households, and health clinics fighting the Ebola epidemic.

2011: Harvard Advanced Leadership Initiative (ALI)

Harvard's stated goal for the ALI program is "Seeking a Few Great Leaders with a Track Record of Innovation and Achievement in their Primary Career who are Motivated to Tackle some of the Biggest Challenges Facing Communities Around the World." ALI is geared to working with leaders from the private and governmental sectors who want to transition from their primary income-producing careers into leadership in community or nonprofit work.

As an ALI Fellow I was in residence at Harvard for one year where I worked with a broad range of Harvard faculty in Think Tanks, seminars, graduate school courses, and development of independent plans for future work. The ALI experience gave rise to the formation and achievements of the Liberian Energy Network.

1976 – 2010: Partner, Morris, Manning & Martin, Atlanta, GA

1994 – 2010: Managing Partner of Morris, Manning & Martin

In 1976 I was a founding partner of Morris, Manning & Martin which we grew from the original eight lawyers into one of the 200 largest law firms in the country.

As a business and real estate Partner I represented clients in the acquisition, development and financing of commercial real estate properties throughout the Southeast, and oversaw the securities and partnership aspects of raising funds and operating our clients' investment vehicles.

1973 – 1976: Associate, Stack & O'Brien, Atlanta, Georgia

1970 – 1973: Associate, Carter, Ledyard & Milburn, Wall Street, New York, New York

EDUCATION

Harvard University Advanced Leadership Initiative, 2011

University of Michigan Law School J.D., 1969

Harvard University B.A. Cum Laude, 1966

COMMUNITY/CIVIC

Board of Directors, Goodwill of North Georgia

Board of Directors, Georgia Innocence Project

Board of Directors, Orchestra Atlanta

Board of Directors, City Club of Buckhead

Co-Chair of American Diabetes Atlanta Step-Up Walk

Deacon, Peachtree Christian Church

