

EDUCATION:

Honors

CURRICULUM VITAE

MARK J. WOLFF

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New York University School of Law LL.M. (in Taxation) 1978

Nova Southeastern School of Law, Juris Doctorate magna cum laude, 1977

Dean's List all semesters Academic Scholarship

Book Awards: International Law, Debtor & Creditor Rights;

Securities Regulation, Federal Income Taxation

Wadhams Hall Seminary- College, Roman Catholic Seminary Ogdensburg, N.Y. Major: Philosophy;

Minors: History; English B.A. 1973

Graduated 1st in Class Dean's List all semesters

Investiture by American Association of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta, His Eminence John Cardinal O'Connor (1993)

St. Thomas University John Cardinal Newman Award for Excellence in Teaching (1990)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Federal Income Taxation, Federal Estate & Gift Taxation, Corporate Tax, Advanced Problems in Taxation, Tax Policy, Partnership Taxation, Taxation of International Business Transactions, Estate Planning, Agency & Partnership, Corporations, Contracts I and Contracts II, Comparative and International Taxation: Aspects of Law and Policy, International Law, Jurisprudence, , State and Local Government, Human Rights, International Organizations.

PRESENT STATUS:

Professor of Law (Tenured) St. Thomas University School of Law

Vice-President, North America Pax Romana International (ICMICA) 15 Rue du Grand-bureau, Geneva 24, CH-1211, Switzerland 2004-2008

United Nations - New York, N.Y. Main Representative to United Nations, New York Office Pax Romana (ICMICA) 2004-Present

Area Chairman & President (Florida), Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of Saint John of Jerusalem of Rhodes and of Malta 2005-2010

St. Thomas University Human Rights Institute, Member, Board of Directors

Chairperson, Membership Committee

Miami-Dade County Educational Facilities Authority, Executive Director, 1980 - Present Wadhams Hall Seminary-College, Ogdensburg, N.Y. Vice-Chairperson, Board of Trustees (1998-Present) Executive Committee, Board of Trustees. Chairperson, Marketing Committee, Chairperson, By Laws and Parliamentarian

Saint Thomas University School of Law/ Pax Romana United Nations Externship Program New York, N.Y., Geneva, Switzerland Director

St. Thomas University School of Law, Community Justice Council, Chairperson, 2000-present

Pax Romana (CMICA) USA General Counsel to Board of Directors & Board Member

Faculty Supervisor, St. Thomas University School of Law Voluntary Income Tax Assistance Program 1984-Present

St. Thomas University School of Law Admissions Committee, Chairperson 2003-Present

St. Thomas University School of Law Promotion and Tenure Committee, 1992-Present

St. Thomas University School of Law Faculty Recruitment Committee, 2002-Present

St. Thomas University School of Law

Sovereignty Symposium, Steering Committee, 1993-2000

St. Thomas University School of Law Chairperson, Admissions Committee, 1985-1992; 1994-2000; 2003-Present

President's Task Force on Catholic Identity Vice-Chairperson 1992-94

Present Status

PRIOR APPOINTMENTS:

Implementation Committee for the Catholic Identity Statement Vice-Chairperson 1994-95

Founding Director, St. Thomas University, School of Law, Summer in Spain Program, Maria Cristina Royal College, El Escorial, Spain, (1995-1996), Accredited by the American Bar Association for 1996-2001

Faculty Advisor (Founder) St. Thomas University School of Law Student Catholic Lawyers Guild, 1985-1990

Assistant Dean, 1985-86 **Academic**

> Assistant Professor of Law, 1985-1986 Associate Professor of Law, 1986-1991 Professor of Law (Tenured) 1992

Committee Promotion and Tenure Committee, 1992-Present

Chairperson, Admissions Committee 1985-1992; 1995-2000

Recruitment Committee, Member, 1987-89; 1992-93

Law School Liaison Committee, 1997-1998 Academic Integrity Committee, 1992-93

Library Committee 1986-89; 1990-94; 1997-98 Compensation Committee (elected) 1992-93

Chairperson, Academic Standing Committee 1985-87

Curriculum Committee 1985-91

Administration and Budget Committee 1989-90 Academic Activities Committee 1987-89 President's Advisory Council 1985-87

President's Bio-Medical Research Institute, 1985-87

Self-Study Committee 1985-87

Chairperson, Academic Standing Committee 1985-87

Executive Committee 1985-1986

Budget and Administration Committee, 1985-1993

Elected Vice-President, North America

Pax Romana International (ICMICA)

15 Rue du Grand-bureau, Geneva 24, CH-1211, Switzerland

2004-2008

Area Chairman (Florida), Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of Saint

John of Jerusalem of Rhodes and of Malta

Commissioner, City of Coral Gables, Florida, 1987-1991 Vice-Mayor, City of Coral Gables, Florida, 1989-1990

Dade League of Cities, Board of Directors & Treasurer 1987-91

1990 St. Thomas University John Cardinal Newman **Honors**

Award for Excellence in Teaching

1990 Good Government Award Florida Jaycees, Coral Gables National League of Cities - Finance

Honors

Administration and Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee, Member 1989-91

Florida League of Cities - Chairperson, Municipal Finance and Taxation Committee, 1988-89

Florida League of Cities, Legislative Committee, Member 1988-89

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS:*

Home Rule in Florida: A Critical Appraisal, 19 Stetson Law Review 853 (1990)

Dickman Confined: The Taxation of Gratuitous Transfers of Use, XXI No. 2 Stetson Law Review 509 (1992)

Dickman Confined: The Taxation of Gratuitous Transfers of Use, XXI No. 2 STETSON LAW REVIEW 509 (1992), reprinted in The Monthly Digest of Tax Articles, June (1993)

Spirituality, Culture and Tradition: An Introduction to the Role of Tribal Courts and Councils in Reclaiming Native American Heritage and Sovereignty, 7 St. Thomas Law Review, 761 (1995)

Indian Gaming and Indian Sovereignty, Sovereignty Symposium VIII, Looking Ahead - Looking Back, The Oklahoma Supreme Court, June (1995)

Spirituality, Culture and Tradition: An Introduction to the Role of Tribal Course and Courts in Reclaiming Native American Heritage and Sovereignty, republished, NATIVE AMERICAN LAW DIGEST, June (1996)

Sex, Race and Age: Double Discrimination in Torts and Taxes, 78:4 Washington University Law Quarterly 1341 (2000).

Congressional Unilateral Tax Treaty Overrides: The 'Latter in Time Doctrine' Is Out of Time!, 9 Florida Tax Rev. 699 (2009).

United Nations World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia, And Related Intolerance. Durban, South Africa, August 31 - September 9, 2001 Head of Delegation, Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order Of Saint John Of Jerusalem Of Rhodes And Of Malta Intervention address presented to Plenary Session on September 3, 2001 published at:

http://www.un.org/WCAR/statements/3sept_st.htm#Evening

Religious Tolerance, Presentation to U.N. Conference on Religious Tolerance, Intervention Paper Published Before the Plenary Session of the United Nations World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia, and Related Intolerance (Sept. 3, 2001), *published at:*

http://www.un.org/WCAR/statements/3sept st.htm#Evening, reprinted in THE NEW DIALOGUE OF CIVILIZATIONS 26 (2002).

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

United Nations International Consultative Conference on School Education in Relation to Freedom of Religion or Belief, Tolerance and Non-discrimination.

Madrid Spain, November 23-25, 2001.

Head of Delegation, Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order Of Saint John Of Jerusalem Of Rhodes And Of Malta. Intervention address to Plenary Session on November 25 2001

Morning Session, published at:

http://www.un.org/ICCS/statements/25nov st.htm#Morning.

Education in Relation to Freedom of Religion or Belief, Tolerance, and Non-Discrimination, Intervention paper presented Before the Plenary Session of the United Nations International Consultative Conference on School Education in Relation to Freedom of Religion or Belief, Tolerance and Non-Discrimination (Nov. 25, 2001), published *at* http://www.un.org/ICCS/statements/25nov_st.htm#Morning, *reprinted in* A SOUL FOR EDUCATION: PROJECTS FOR SPIRITUAL AND ETHICAL LEARNING ACROSS RELIGIONS 10 (2002).

Beyond the Death Penalty: The Development in Catholic Social Teaching, Ch. 10 (Joe Holland & D. Michael McCarron, eds., Florida Council of Catholic Scholarship & Pax Romana Center for the International Study of Catholic Social Teaching, forthcoming November, 2005).

SELECTED PAPERS:*

Twenty-Five Years of Tribal Gaming - Cabazon, Seminole, I, II and IGRA: A Critical Appraisal

Source in the Symposium XVII. From Source To Space The

Sovereignty Symposium XVI, From Sacagawea To Space The Oklahoma Supreme Court, Oklahoma City (2003)

Bureau of Indian Affairs: A New Approach to Indian Gaming, Sovereignty Symposium XIV, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma (2001).

Historical Perspectives on Gaming and Indian Sovereignty, Sovereignty Symposium XIII, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, (2000)

Seminole Tribe v. Florida: An Administrative Legislative and Litigation Update on Indian Gaming, Sovereignty Symposium XII, Tulsa, Oklahoma (1999)

The Progeny of Seminole v. Florida: The Non-Traditional Indian Dance of Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt, Sovereignty Symposium XI, In Service of The Law, by The Oklahoma Supreme Court, The Oklahoma Indians Affairs Commission, Tulsa, Oklahoma (1998)

SELECTED PAPERS

The Return To Nature: Cosmological, Ecological and Scientific Postmodernism Returning to Indian Tradition, Spirituality and Culture. Fourth Annual St. Thomas University School of Law Tribal Sovereignty Symposium: Sacred Mother Earth: The Struggle to Save the Everglades (1998)

An International Law Perspective on Human Rights Violations

*Against Indigenous Peoples.*Sovereignty Symposium X, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 1997

The Organization of American States and the United Nations Proposed Declarations on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: A Comparative Analysis, Sovereignty Symposium X, The Oklahoma Supreme Court, The Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission, Tulsa, Oklahoma (1997)

Seminole Tribe v. Florida and the 105th Congress: Judicial and Legislative Degradation on Tribal Sovereignty, Sovereignty Symposium X, Circles of Life, The Oklahoma Supreme Court, The Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission, Tulsa, Oklahoma (1997)

The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act: A Legislative Relinquishment Of Tribal Sovereignty After Cabazon, Sovereignty Symposium VIII, Looking Ahead - Looking Back, The Oklahoma Supreme Court, June (1995)

Spirituality, Culture and Tradition: Tribal Courts and Councils - Tribal Sovereignty Symposium: Back to the Future, St. Thomas University School of Law, December (1994)

LECTURES:

Distinguished Lecture at Leopold Franzens University of Innsbruck Institute of Roman Law entitled "United States-Austrian Tax Policies: A Comparative Appraisal." Innsbruck, Austria (1994).

Lecture, "Local Government and Taxation", to the Delegation of German Bundestag (Parliament), Sigmaringen (1993)

Lecture, "Powers to Tax Under the U.S. Constitution", at the University of Tübingen Seminar on the Reform of the German Constitution, Tübingen, Germany (1993)

UNITED NATIONS - DELEGATIONS:*

Main Representative, Pax Romana (ICMICA) United Nations New York, New York 1 January 2004-Present

Delegate to the United Nations World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance, Durban,

South Africa, August 31 - September 9, 2001. Intervention address presented to Plenary Session on September 3, 2001 on Behalf of The Sovereign Military Order of Malta and Rhodes.

UNITED NATIONS *

Religious Tolerance, Presentation to U.N. Conference on Religious Tolerance, Intervention Paper Presented Before the Plenary Session of the United Nations World Conference Against Racism, Racial

^{*} See also Addendum of Legislative Materials

Discrimination, Xenophobia, and Related Intolerance (Sept. 3, 2001), *at* http://www.un.org/WCAR/statements/3sept_st.htm#Evening, *reprinted in* THE NEW DIALOGUE OF CIVILIZATIONS 26 (2002).

Delegate to United Nations International Consultative Conference on School Education in Relation to Freedom of Religion or Belief, Tolerance and Non-discrimination, Madrid, Spain, November 23-25, 2001. Intervention address to plenary session on November 25, 2001/Morning Session.

Education in Relation to Freedom of Religion or Belief, Tolerance, and Non-Discrimination, Intervention paper presented Before the Plenary Session of the United Nations International Consultative Conference on School Education in Relation to Freedom of Religion or Belief, Tolerance and Non-Discrimination (Nov. 25, 2001), at http://www.un.org/ICCS/statements/25nov_st.htm#Morning, reprinted in A SOUL FOR EDUCATION: PROJECTS FOR SPIRITUAL AND ETHICAL LEARNING ACROSS RELIGIONS 10 (2002).

Delegate to United Nations Sub Commission on Human Rights Geneva, Switzerland, July & August, 2001. Professor in Human Rights Internship Program for Pax Romana (ICMICA)

Pax Romana (CMICA-USA) Member of Board of Directors Executive Committee General Counsel

*See also Addendum of United Nations Interventions

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS:

"The Compacting Process Under IGRA After The Supreme Courts Decision in Seminole: A Call for Administrative Rule Making", Third Annual St. Thomas University School of Law Tribal

Sovereignty Symposium; Law Culture and Society in the 21st Century(1997)

"The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act: An Issue of Tribal Sovereignty", Second Annual St. Thomas University School of Law Tribal Symposium: The Sacred and the Profane (1996)

"Indian Gaming and IGRA-The Eleventh Amendment and Tribal Sovereignty Under the U.S. Constitution", Tribal Sovereignty Symposium: Back to the Future, St. Thomas University School of Law

"New Chapter 14 of the Internal Revenue Code", Comerica Trust Co. of Florida, Faculty Club, University of Miami (1991)

Current Legislative Proposals on Growth Management", American Planning Association (1990)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

"Estate and Gift Tax Planning Techniques", Dade County Public Library System, 1980-1988

"Constitutional Home Rule in Florida: A Historical Perspective",

Association of City Managers, 1990

"The Buckley Amendment/Family Privacy Act", The Florida Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers, 1989

"Growth Management and Recycling" (Panel Discussion), Florida League of Cities, 1989

"Pending Municipal Legislative Issues", Florida League of Cities, 1989

"Preserving Democracy: Obligations of Citizenship", Ponce de Leon Junior High School, 1989

"Protecting Florida's Environment and Water" (Panel Discussion), Florida League of Cities, 1988

"Corporate Planning for Small Businesses", Coral Gables Bar Association, 1987

PRACTICE EXPERIENCE:

Sparber, Shevin, Rosen, Shapo &

Heilbronner, P.A.

6/78 to 3/81 One S.E. Third Avenue

Miami, Florida 33131

Position: Attorney (Taxation, Corporate Securities,

International Law)

4/81 to 7/82 Bender, Chandler, Wolff & Cosgrove, P.A.

3929 Ponce de Leon Boulevard Coral Gables, Florida 33134

Partner

Mark J. Wolff, P.A. 8/82 to 7/85

6870 Coral Way Miami, Florida 33155 Partner/Owner

Admitted to Florida Bar - 1977 **BAR STATUS:**

Supreme Court of the United States - 1985

Supreme Court of Florida - 1977

Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals - 1979 Southern District Court of Florida - 1979 Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals - 1981

United States Tax Court - 1979

FUNDRAISING EXPERIENCE:

I have served on more than twelve (12) major and numerous other fundraising committees on behalf of various non-profit, civic, social, political, educational and religious organizations raising millions of dollars. These include as chairperson and co-chairperson of a 1.5 million dollar building campaign for the Ronald McDonald House and a 2.5 million dollar endowment fund for Wadhams Hall Seminary-College. I was instrumental in the initial solicitation and subsequent tax planning for the 1 million dollar gift by George Batchelor to St. Thomas University School of Law.

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

University of Miami

Citizens Advisory Board, 1999 - Present

Brotherhood of Blessed Gerard Durban, South Africa Board of Directors, 2001 - Present

Executive Director, Miami Dade County Educational Facilities Authority, 1980 - Present

Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners

Appointed as Expert on the Miami-Dade Home Rule Charter with regard to proposed Constitutional Amendment No. 3 on the Florida State Wide Ballot, November 5, 2002.

Professor Wolff's Law Review article *Home Rule in Florida: A Critical Appraisal*, 19 STETSON L. REV. 853 (1990) was distributed throughout the state as the primary resource material on the topic of home rule in Florida. As the Expert Professor Wolff addressed numerous newspapers and editorial boards throughout the state and appeared on Channel 10 WPLG ABC encouraging a no vote on Proposed Constitutional Amendment No. 3. Florida had ten proposed Constitutional Amendments on the state wide ballot, all were passed except for proposed Amendment No. 3, which failed. The failure of proposed Amendment No. 3 preserves and protects the Constitutional Home Rule status of Miami-Dade County.

City of Coral Gables Blue Ribbon Commission on Elections And Law Reforms, 1996

Boca Raton Grace Commission General Counsel to J.P. Bolduc President of W.R. Grace & Co. and Chairperson of Executive Committee, 1993 - 1994

Miami Dade Community College, North Campus Special Counsel to President, 1992 - 1995

City of Coral Gables, Elected Commissioner - April 1987-91;

City of Coral Gables Vice-Mayor, 1989-1990 MARK J. WOLFF

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Coral Gables Code Enforcement Board

Vice-Chairperson

City of Coral Gables Economic Development

Board - Member

Community Service City of Coral Gables , Budget Advisory

Board - Member

City of Coral Gables Planning and Zoning

Vice-Chairperson

City of Coral Gables Industrial Business Village Advisory Board - Member

<u>CIVIC ACTIVITIES</u>: Coral Gables Kiwanis Club - Member

Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce - Member

Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce - Member

Coral Gables Jaycees - Member

Florida Jaycees, Parliamentarian, Board of Directors Region 13 Chairperson, Ronald McDonald House

Economic Society of South Florida - Member

Coral Gables Knights of Columbus -

Member/Advocate

Coral Gables Elks Lodge # 1676

Exalted Ruler, 1990-91

South Florida Regional Minority Purchasing Council - Board of Directors - Vice President South Florida International Association of

Financial Planners - Board of Directors

and Ethics Officer

Society for Abused Children - Legal Counsel

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES: Florida Bar Association Special Committee on Gender Equality

In the Profession, 1997-Present

American Bar Association Tax Section

Florida Bar Association Tax Section

International Law Society

International Fiscal Association

Dade County Bar Association

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Coral Gables Bar Association

Professional Activities

Pax Romana International

Dade County Bar Association - Young

Lawyers Section, 1978-1985

Judicial Reception Committee - Member

Co-Chairperson, 1979-1981

American Bar Association - Member and

Co-Chairperson Tax Section, Partnership Subcommittee, 1982-83

Florida Bar Journal - "Tax Notes" and

Chairperson of the Publicity Committee, 1985-87

Florida Bar Association - Tax

Certification Committee - Member, 1985-87