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1983 graduate of Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center.

Admitted to practice in New York State in 1984. Also admitted in the United States District Courts for the Eastern, Southern, Northern and Western Districts of New York. Mr. Somer began his legal career with a general practice firm for the first five years after graduation and has practiced bankruptcy law since 1988 having appeared in matters in all four federal districts.

Mr. Somer is sole member of the law firm bearing his name which opened in July 2002, mainly practicing in the following areas of law:

Bankruptcy and debtor/creditor rights with extensive experience representing secured creditors and debtors in all phases of workouts; bankruptcy proceedings; corporate and individual Chapter 11 debtors, Chapter 7 and 13 debtors and creditors committees; state court litigation; general commercial litigation; lien enforcement; mortgage foreclosures; real estate; commercial matters including business buys and sells; leases; corporate transactions.

Mr. Somer has lectured on bankruptcy issues and law for various professional groups and in-house programs for clients including:

New York State Bar Association Nassau County Bar Association Suffolk County Bar Association New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants US Foreclosure Network Loan Servicing Society of New York

Current and past professional affiliations include:

Nassau County Bar Association, Chairman Bankruptcy Committee1996-1998 New York State Bar Association Former Member, US Foreclosure Network Former President, Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center Alumni Association



Mr. Somer has volunteered related to bankruptcy as a member of the New State Bar Association's Committee on Volunteer Lawyers and currently volunteers considerable time with the Bankruptcy Panel of the Volunteer Lawyers Project of Nassau/Suffolk Law Services and the Nassau County Bar Association; and the Nassau County Bar Association Mortgage Foreclosure Legal Consultation Clinic.

Mr. Somer and his wife are very much involved with rescuing and fostering English Bulldogs until they find their forever homes and have just started their own not-for-profit rescue, Hurley's Heart Bulldog Rescue, named for one their fosters who was young and extremely ill when he arrived and knowing he would most likely not be with them for an extending period of time.