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### **CURRENT:**

#### **SEAK, INC.**

Falmouth, MA

*Senior Consultant/Trainer, August 2002-Present*

Trains experts of all disciplines through SEAK's scheduled programs for expert witnesses, invited presentations, customized on-site expert witness training programs, and via one-on-one training in expert report writing, deposition preparation, and marketing an expert witness practice.

Has trained experts including doctors, nurses, those working at Fortune 500 companies, accountants, certified financial planners, securities experts, economic advisors, economists, valuation specialists, compensation specialists, criminal forensics experts, crime lab experts, computer forensics specialists, tax professionals, asset management specialists, insurance specialists, engineers, safety professionals, public works engineers, medical professionals, healthcare management experts, aviation specialists, and life care planners.

#### **BOSTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**

Boston, MA

*Instructor, Legal Research and Writing, Fall 2004-Present.*

Instructs international LL.M. students of American Law Program in legal research and writing.

### **ADR EXPERIENCE: Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA)**

Dispute Resolution Arbitrator, July 2012-Present.

### **EDUCATION:**

#### **BOSTON COLLEGE LAW SCHOOL, Newton, MA.**

Juris Doctor, *cum laude*, May 1993.

- Top 20% of Class.
- National Mock Trial Team Member, Spring 1993: Winner, New England Regional Trial Competition, 1993.
- Mock Trial Competition Honors, Fall 1992: Semi-Finalist.
- Moot Court Competition Honors, Spring 1992: Quarter-Finalist, oral argument; Top Ten Brief Award.

**FORDHAM UNIVERSITY**, Bronx, NY.

Bachelor of Arts, *summa cum laude*, May 1990, in French Literature.

- Fordham University Honors Program.
- Member, Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi.
- Fordham's Head Delegate for the Model Arab League in Washington, D.C., March 1990.

**LA SORBONNE**, Paris, France.

- Studied French language and literature, Spring 1989.

**BOOKS:**

Mangraviti, JJ, Babitsky S, and Donovan NN, How to Be a Successful Expert Witness at Deposition and Trial: The SEAK Guide to Testifying as an Expert Witness (SEAK, 2016).

Mangraviti, JJ, Babitsky, S, Donovan, NN, How To Be A Successful Expert Witness: SEAK's A-Z Guide to Expert Witnessing (SEAK, 2015).

Mangraviti, JJ, Babitsky, S, Donovan, NN, How To Write An Expert Witness Report (SEAK, 2014).

**DVDs:**

*Law For Experts: What You Need To Know To Succeed*, 7 disc DVD set with 11.5 hours of instruction and 213 page written manual. (SEAK, 2015).

*Medical Malpractice Survival Training for Physicians*, 5 disc DVD set with 10.3 hours of instruction and 158 page written manual. (SEAK, 2014).

**WHITEPAPERS:**

1. Mangraviti, JJ, Babitsky, S, Donovan, NN, "The 21 Golden Rules for Testifying on Cross-Examination" (SEAK, 2014).
2. Mangraviti, JJ, Babitsky, S, Donovan, NN, "How To Properly Form and Express Expert Witness Opinions" (SEAK, 2014).
3. Mangraviti, JJ, Babitsky, S, Donovan, NN, "How To Draft a Powerful, Persuasive, and Understandable Expert Witness Report" (SEAK, 2014).

## **SEMINARS DESIGNED AND TAUGHT:**

- **“How to Excel as an Expert Witness in Medical Malpractice Cases: Special Techniques”**, SEAK, Inc., Falmouth, MA, September 2016.
- **“Law For Experts: What You Need To Know To Succeed”**, SEAK, Inc., Washington, D.C., April 2015.
- **“Medical Malpractice Survival Training for Physicians”**, SEAK, Inc., Falmouth, MA, September 2014.

## **WEBINARS:**

- **“How to Prepare Your Expert Witness For Deposition”**, SEAK, Inc., Clear Law Institute, April 2015.
- **“Preparing For A Malpractice Deposition”**, QuantiaMD, August 2015.

## **INVITED PRESENTATIONS:**

1. **“Medical Malpractice Survival Training For Physicians”**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Falmouth, MA, August 2002.
2. **“Medical Malpractice Survival Training For Physicians”**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Falmouth, MA, August 2003.
3. **“Medical Malpractice Survival Training For Physicians”**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Falmouth, MA, August 2004.
4. **“Risk Management”**, Rhode Island Academy of Family Physicians Annual Conference, April 2005.
5. **“Expert Report Writing Workshop”**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Hyannis, MA, June 2005.
6. **“Medical Malpractice Survival Training For Physicians”**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Falmouth, MA, August 2005.
7. **“Expert Report Writing Workshop”**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Hyannis, MA, June 2006.
8. **“Medical Malpractice Survival Training For Physicians”**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Falmouth, MA, August 2006.
9. **“Expert Report Writing Workshop”**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Hyannis, MA, June 2007.
10. **“Advanced Deposition Skills For Experts”**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Falmouth, MA, June 2007.

11. **"Medical Expert Report Writing Workshop"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Falmouth, MA, August 2007.
12. **"Expert Report Writing Workshop"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Hyannis, MA, June 2008.
13. **"Expert Report Writing Workshop"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Hyannis, MA, June 2009.
14. **"Expert Report Writing Workshop"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Chicago, IL, June 2010.
15. **"Advanced Persuasion Skills"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Chicago, IL, June 2010.
16. **"Expert Report Writing Workshop"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Naples, FL, April 2011.
17. **"Advanced Deposition Skills For Experts"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Naples, FL, April 2011.
18. **"Expert Report Writing Workshop"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Falmouth MA, August 2012.
19. **"Advanced Deposition Skills For Experts"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Falmouth, MA, August 2012.
20. **"How to Write a Bulletproof Expert Witness Report"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Chicago, IL, April 2013.
21. **"How to Start, Build, and Run a Successful Expert Witness Practice"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, San Diego, CA, January 23, 2014.
22. **"Law School for Safety Professionals"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Honolulu, HI, January 25-26, 2014.
23. **"Law School for Public Works Engineers"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for Washington State Association of County Engineers, Cle Elum, WA, February 5-7, 2014.
24. **"How to Write a Bulletproof Expert Witness Report"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Orlando, FL, May 2014.
25. **"How to Prepare to Testify at Deposition and Trial"**, SEAK's 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual National Expert Witness Conference, Orlando, FL, May 2014.
26. **"How To Market and Grow Your Expert Witness Practice: With Personal Attention"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Falmouth, MA, September 2014.
27. **"How to Excel at Your Expert Witness Deposition"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar, New York, NY, October 2014.

28. **"How to Write a Bulletproof Expert Report"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar, New York, NY, October 2014.
29. **"Law School for Engineers"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for American Society of Civil Engineers, Scottsdale, AZ, November 20-21, 2014.
30. **"How to Start, Build, and Run a Successful Expert Witness Practice"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, San Diego, CA, January 23-24, 2015.
31. **"Advanced Testifying Skills For Experts: The Masters Program"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, San Diego, CA, January 25-26, 2015.
32. **"Testifying and Forensic Expert Report Writing Skills For Civil Engineers"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for American Society of Civil Engineers, San Antonio, TX, March 19-20, 2015.
33. **"How To Write The Exceptional Expert Witness Report"**, SEAK.'s 24<sup>th</sup> Annual National Expert Witness Conference, Washington, D.C., April 26, 2015.
34. **"How To Be A Successful Firearms Expert Witness Training Program"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for Trinidad and Tobago Police Service Armoury, Trinidad and Tobago, May 13-15, 2015.
35. **"How To Start, Build, And Run A Forensic Engineering Practice"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for American Society of Civil Engineers, Alexandria, VA, May 28-29, 2015.
36. **"How to Start, Build, and Run a Successful Expert Witness Practice"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Falmouth, MA, August 25-26, 2015.
37. **"Law School for Engineers"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for American Society of Civil Engineers, Las Vegas, NV, September 21-22, 2015.
38. **"Law School for Professional Engineers"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for Delaware Association of Professional Engineers, Wilmington, DE, October 8, 2015.
39. **"Law School for Engineers"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for American Society of Civil Engineers, Orlando, FL, December 10-11, 2015.
40. **"How to Start, Build, and Run a Successful Expert Witness Practice"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, San Diego, CA, January 21-22, 2016.
41. **"How To Be An Effective Expert Witness"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, San Diego, CA, January 23-24, 2016.
42. **"How to Start, Build, and Run a Successful Medical Expert Witness Practice"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Clearwater Beach, FL, February 4-5, 2016.

43. **"How to Write a Bulletproof Expert Witness Report"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Chicago, IL, May 2016.
44. **"How to Optimize Your Curriculum Vitae"**, SEAK.'s 25<sup>th</sup> Annual National Expert Witness Conference, Chicago, IL, May 2016.
45. **"Testifying and Forensic Expert Report Writing Skills For Civil Engineers"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for American Society of Civil Engineers, Washington, D.C., May 19-20, 2016.
46. **"How to be an Effective Criminal Forensics Expert Witness"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for NYPD Police Crime Lab, Jamaica, NY, June 22-23, 2016.
47. **"How To Excel As An Expert Witness In Medical Malpractice Cases: Special Techniques"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Falmouth, MA, Sept. 15-16, 2016.
48. **"How to Start, Build, and Run a Successful Medical Expert Witness Practice"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Clearwater Beach, FL, February 5-6, 2017.
49. **"How to be an Effective Criminal Forensics Expert Witness"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for NYPD Police Crime Lab, Jamaica, NY, March 23-24 , 2017.
50. **"How to be an Effective Criminal Forensics Expert Witness"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for NYPD Police Crime Lab, Jamaica, NY, March 30-31, 2017.
51. **"How To Write A Bulletproof Expert Witness Report"**, American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants Annual Forum 2017, Portland, OR, April 6, 2107.
52. **"How to be an Effective Criminal Forensics Expert Witness"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for NYPD Police Crime Lab, Jamaica, NY, April 26-27, 2017.
53. **"How to Write a Bulletproof Expert Witness Report"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Clearwater Beach, FL, May 5-6, 2017.
54. **"How to Market and Grow Your Expert Witness Practice"**, SEAK.'s 26<sup>th</sup> Annual National Expert Witness Conference, Clearwater Beach, FL, May 7, 2017.
55. **"Medicine and the Law: A Symposium for Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine at Rosalind Franklin University"**, Chicago, IL, August 28, 2017.
56. **"Law School for Civil Engineers"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for American Society of Civil Engineers, Las Vegas, NV, September 25-26, 2017.
57. **"How to Start, Build, and Run a Successful Medical Expert Witness Practice"**, SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Clearwater Beach, FL, February 6-7, 2018.
58. **"Law School for Civil Engineers"**, Customized SEAK, Inc. Seminar for American Society of Civil Engineers, Washington, DC, March 8-9, 2018.

59. "How to Write a Bulletproof Expert Witness Report", SEAK, Inc. Seminar, Clearwater Beach, FL, May 3-4, 2018.
60. "How to Bulletproof Your Methodology", SEAK.'s 27<sup>th</sup> Annual National Expert Witness Conference, Clearwater Beach, FL, May 5, 2018.

#### **ADDITIONAL PAST TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

- 1/13-6/15**                      **NEW ENGLAND LAW/BOSTON**                      Boston, MA  
*Adjunct Professor*
- Preparation of syllabi, selection of course materials, and instruction of J.D. candidates in the following courses:
- *Perspectives in Medical Malpractice*, Spring 2013, Fall 2013
  - *Hospital Law*, Spring 2015
  - *Health Law Clinic*, Spring 2015

#### **PAST LEGAL EXPERIENCE:**

- 4/11-7/14**                      **Mulvey, Ennis, Keefe, & Donovan, LLC**                      Boston, MA  
*Partner*
- Defended medical professionals in medical malpractice litigation and other health law litigation.
- Engaged in trial preparation of medical malpractice actions, including legal and medical research, trial motion pleadings, and preparation of medical and non-medical witness examinations.
- 7/04 - 4/11**                      **Martin, Magnuson, McCarthy & Kenney**                      Boston, MA  
*Of Counsel*
- Defended medical professionals in medical malpractice litigation and other health law litigation.
- Engaged in trial preparation of medical malpractice actions, including legal and medical research, trial motion pleadings, and preparation of medical and non-medical witness examinations.
- 9/96 - 1/04**                      **Rindler•Morgan, P.C.**                      Boston, MA  
*Associate*, Sept. 1996- Dec. 2001  
*Partner*, Jan. 2002- Jan. 2004

- Specialized in defense of complex medical malpractice actions, and other areas of health law litigation.
- Defended health care professionals in civil trials.
- Represented clients before Board of Registration in Medicine and Nursing
- Engaged in extensive civil discovery.
- Prepared appellate briefs and engaged in legal research and motion practice.

9/93 – 9/96

**New York City Law Department, Office of the Corporation Counsel**  
*Assistant Corporation Counsel* New York, NY

**Tort Division**, Sept. 1995 - Sept. 1996

- Defended municipality and city agencies in all areas of negligence practice.
- Conducted several civil depositions a week.
- Engaged in extensive civil motion practice before Supreme Court, N.Y. County.
- Represented municipality and/or city agencies in court-ordered discovery conferences.
- Participated in arbitrations and settlement negotiations in Civil Court, N.Y. County.

**Family Court Division**, Sept. 1993 - Sept. 1995

- Prosecuted over 200 felony and misdemeanor cases in Family Court.
- Litigated preliminary, suppression, fact-finding, and dispositional hearings.
- Interviewed crime victims and witnesses, investigated cases, and filed petitions.
- Engaged in discovery and criminal research & motion practice.

**BAR ADMISSIONS:** *New York, 1994.*  
*Massachusetts, 1994.*  
*Rhode Island, 1999.*  
*Federal District Court, District of Massachusetts, 1997.*

**MISCELLANY:** Peer Reviewer, How To Prepare Your Expert Witness For Deposition, SEAK, Inc., published 2012.

Technical Editor and Peer Reviewer, The Biggest Legal Mistakes Physicians Make— And How To Avoid Them, SEAK, Inc., published January 2005.

Member, Massachusetts Bar Association, Rhode Island Bar Association;  
 Fluent in *French*.