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### Representative Cases:

Glenpointe Associates, III v. Regency Savings Bank, Slip Opinion, 2006 WL 2786885 (D.N.J. 2006).

Center for Bio-Ethical Reform v. Spectrum Arena Ltd., 2000 WL 1286395 (E.D.Pa.,2000).

Center for Bio-Ethical Reform v. Comcast-Spectacor, 1999 WL 601014 (E.D.Pa. 1999)



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He is a 1977 graduate of the University of Hartford, where he received a BFA *cum laude*. He was awarded his J.D., also *cum laude*, by Seton Hall University Law School in 1986. As a law student, he was awarded the Columbian Fund Award as the outstanding graduate of Italian-American descent. Additionally, he was a member of the Rodino Society, and a member of the Seton Hall Legislative Journal. He also received an MS in 1981 from the Pratt Institute. He is a member of the Essex County, New Jersey Republican Committee, and actively involved in the Salvation Army. He has been a New Jersey resident for over twenty-five years.

### **Bar Admissions:**

New Jersey (1986)

United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2000)

United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (1994)

### **Professional Memberships, Associations and Activities:**

Essex County Bar Association

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