



## **William D. Dowling**

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### **EDUCATION**

Yale University, New Haven, CT

- J.D. 1980

The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

- M.Ed. 1977 – Philosophy and History of Education
- B.A., Education, *summa cum laude*, 1974

### **EMPLOYMENT**

Dowling Mediation, 2012 - present

- Mediation of litigated and non-litigated matters
- Mediator for Summit County Probate Court
- Arbitration (AAA Commercial Panel)

The University of Akron School of Law, 2015 – 2018

- Visiting Assistant Professor, Practitioner-in-Residence
- Formerly adjunct professor
- Courses taught: Pretrial Advocacy, Alternative Dispute Resolution, Negotiation, Mediation, Externship supervision

Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs

- Of counsel, 2012 – present
- Associate and partner, 1983 – 1994 and 2007 – 2012
- Chair of Litigation Department 2008 - 2009

Oldham & Dowling, 1994 - 2007

- Co-founder and managing partner

Squire, Sanders & Dempsey, 1980 – 1983

- Associate attorney

Southwestern City Schools, 1974 – 1977

- Elementary schoolteacher

**PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS  
AND EXPERTISE**

- Mediation or arbitration of over 200 disputes for lawyers, private colleges, businesses, individuals and political subdivisions.
  - Attended Pepperdine University School of Law, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, 2008.
  - Member of American Arbitration Association Commercial Arbitration and Mediation panels
  - Mediator for Summit County, Ohio Probate Court
- Broad litigation experience for individuals and corporations in matters involving professional liability, product liability, wrongful death, general negligence, insurance, employment and business disputes.
  - Admitted to practice in Ohio and various federal courts.
  - Over 100 cases tried to juries.
- Frequent presenter at continuing legal education seminars on litigation, ADR and legal ethics.
- Recognized as one of Ohio's Super Lawyers, 2007 – present.
- Martindale Hubbell rating of AV

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND AWARDS**

### Akron Bar Association

- President 2006 – 2007
- Board of Trustees, 2004-2007
- Past Chair of Judicial Evaluation Committee
- Past Chair of Judicial Campaign Oversight Committee
- Past Chair of Pro Bono Committee
- Past Chair of Grievance Committee
- Founder of Driver's License Restoration Clinic

### Ohio State Bar Association

- Past Chair of Access to Justice Committee
- Member, Council of Delegates

### American Bar Association

- Member, Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

### Ohio Legal Assistance Foundation

- Board member 2011 – present
- Chair of Program Committee
- Past Chair, Revenue Enhancement Committee

Recipient of 2018 Ohio State Bar Association John and Ginny Elam Pro Bono Award

Member, Ohio Supreme Court Application Review Committee for Civil Justice Program Fund

Coach of Akron Law & Leadership Trial Team, 2014 - 2016

Western Reserve Legal Services (now Community Legal Aid Services)

- Board member and past-president of Board of Trustees
- Co-chair Justice for All fundraising campaign

American Board of Trial Advocacy, past member

Inns of Court, past member

Liberty Bell Award for Exemplary Community Service from Akron Bar Association

Proclamation for Outstanding Community Service from Ohio Senate

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE AND AFFILIATIONS**

Greater Akron Musical Arts Association (Akron Symphony), Board of Trustees, past member

Summit County Children's Services, Board of Trustees, past member

Interfaith Hospitality Network, Board of Trustees, past member

Western Reserve Girl Scout Council, past member

United Way of Summit County

- Account Executive, past
- Torch Club member
- Recognized as outstanding community volunteer

Bath Township Board of Zoning Appeals, past member

Bath United Church of Christ, past moderator

### **PERSONAL**

Married 43 years to Lynne

Two children, four grandchildren