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## EMPLOYMENT

<b>Michael J. Rooney, Attorney, Licensed in Illinois</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-employed attorney, expert witness, consultant</li></ul>	9/2011 -
<b>State of Illinois, Department of Financial and Professional Regulation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Supervisor, Title Insurance Section in Division of Financial Institutions</li></ul>	9/2009 -9/2011
<b>Michael J. Rooney, Attorney, Licensed in Illinois</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-employed attorney, expert witness, consultant</li></ul>	1/2007 -9/2009
<b>United Title of Texas</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• President, DFW Division</li></ul>	2005-2006
<b>LandAmerica Commonwealth Title of Dallas</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• President, Commonwealth of Dallas</li></ul>	2003-2005
<b>First American Title Insurance Company</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Regional Counsel, FATCO N. Central Region</li><li>• Sr. V.P. Western Operations Manager ATI Title</li><li>• Vice President, Arizona Division ATI Title (joint venture with Wells Fargo)</li></ul>	2002-2003 2000-2001 1999-2000
<b>Chicago Title Insurance Company</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Vice President, Dallas Area Manager</li></ul>	1993-1998
<b>Penta Corporation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Business Development Director</li></ul>	1991-1993
<b>Attorneys' Title Guaranty Fund</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• President (CEO)</li><li>• Executive Vice President (CEO)</li><li>• Vice President and Counsel</li><li>• Staff Attorney</li><li>• Law Clerk (part-time)</li></ul>	1988-1991 1983-1988 1981-1983 1976-1981 1974-1976
<b>University of Illinois</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Visiting Assistant Professor</li></ul>	1983-1987
<b>U.S. Army</b>	1971-1973

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## EDUCATION

<b>University of Illinois, College of Law,</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Degree: JD, 1976</li><li>• Moot Court Team</li></ul>	1973-1976
<b>Illinois State University,</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Degree: B.S. in Ed., 1971</li><li>• Major – Physical Education</li><li>• Minor – Political Science</li></ul>	1968-1971
<b>North Park College</b>	1966-1967

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## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

- Draftsman, revised *Recommended Uniform Rules for the Examination of Abstracts of Title*, Approved by the Board of Governors, Illinois State Bar Association, 1977;
- Author, Commentary to the above Rules. This publication began as a project of Independent Study under Dean John Cribbet during the third year of law school.
- Author, *Searching Illinois Real Estate Titles* (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 1978) one of only a few single-author books;
- Author, *Attorney's Guide to Title Insurance* (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 1980, revised 1984) another single-author book, also reprinted and marketed nationwide by the General Practice Section of the American Bar Association;
- Author, "Ownership and Development of Real Estate", Chapter 10 in Basic Real Estate Practice (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 1979);
- Author, "Ownership and Development of Real Estate", Chapter 1 in Basic Real Estate Practice, Vol 1 (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 1982, 1985 and Supp. 1988);
- Author, "Title Insurance Problems" Chapter 5 in Legal Aspects of "Creative" Financing Techniques In a Tight Money Market, (Univ. Mo. at Kansas City Law Center, 1980);
- Author, "Residential Mortgages", Chapter 5 in Advising Illinois Financial Institutions (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 1981, supp. 1985);

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

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- Author, “*Real Estate Broker Liability*” Chapter 9 in Professional Liability (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 1987). (Co-Author);
- Author, “*The Art of Title Searching*”, Chapter 11 in Ward on Title Examinations, (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 1986);
- Author, “*Liability Problems*” Chapter 14 in Condominium Law (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 1987). (Co-Author);
- Author, numerous articles for the Chicago Daily Law Bulletin;
- Author, “*Bar-Related Title Insurance: The Positive Perspective*,” 1980 SIU Law Journal 263 (1980);
- Author, “*Report of Professionalism; The ABA Attempts Suicide*,” 75 Ill. Bar J. 480 (1987);
- Author, “*Are Lawyers Really All That Bad?*” *The Compleat Lawyer* (ABA General Practice Section: Vol.4, No.2, page 29 (1987);
- Editor, Brennan, *Focusing on Clients*, (ABA, 1990);
- Editor, Brennan, *Focusing on Profitability*, (ABA, 1994);
- Editor, “*Attorney’s Guide to Title Insurance*,” (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 2000), a multi-author update to the 1980 (1984 revised) single-author book.
- Editor, “*Attorney’s Guide to Title Insurance*,” (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 2005) an update.
- Faculty, “Fourth Annual Real Estate Short Course”, (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 2008);
- Faculty, “Practical Professionalism for Real Estate Practitioners”, (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 2008);
- Author, “*Title Problems*”, Chapter 8 in Residential Real Estate (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 2008);
- Author, “Ethics and the Attorney/Title Agent”, 96 Ill. Bar J. 132 (March 2008);
- Faculty, “Day on Real Estate”, (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 2008);
- Faculty, “Fifth Annual Real Estate Short Course”, (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 2009);
- Faculty ISBA Law Ed Program: “Real Estate Update”, April 29, 2009;
- Presenter, Legal Ethics portion of continuing legal education seminar sponsored by Professional National Title Network, June 13, 2009;
- Faculty, “Sixth Annual Real Estate Short Course”, (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 2010);
- Presenter, Legal Ethics portion of continuing legal education seminar sponsored by Attorneys’ Title Guaranty Fund, Inc., April and May, 2010;
- Presenter, Legal Ethics portion of continuing legal education seminar sponsored by Chicago Title Insurance Company, April 24, 2010;
- Speaker and Panel member on “Preventing Real Estate Fraud”, Illinois Land Title Association Annual Convention, July 23, 2010;
- Speaker, “Ethics for Environmental Lawyers”, Illinois State Bar Association, September 24, 2010;
- Faculty, “Seventh Annual Real Estate Short Course”, (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 2011);
- Faculty, “CLE Fest”, Illinois State Bar Association, June 18, 2011;
- Author, “*Title Problems*”, Chapter 8 in Residential Real Estate (Ill. Inst. for CLE, 2011);

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## VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT

### Metro-Tex Association of Realtors

(formerly Greater Dallas Association of Realtors)

- Board of Directors 1998-1999, 2004-2005
- Affiliate of the Year 1997
- Chair, TREPAC Golf Tournament Committee 2004-2005
- Chair, Affiliate Forum 1998-1999
- Chair, Leadership Alumni 1997-1998
- Curriculum Coordinator, Leadership GDAR 1996-1997
- Graduate, Leadership GDAR 1996

### Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education

- Chairman, Board of Directors 1991-1992
- Member, Board of Directors 1984-1993
- Volunteer instructor and author since 1978

### Illinois State Bar Association

- Assistant Editor, Real Property Newsletter, Real Estate Section Council 2009-
- Member, Standing Committee on ARDC 2011-
- Member, Joint ISBA/CBA Committee on Real Property Taxation, 1990-1992
- Member, Standing Committee on Protection of Public From the Unauthorized Practice of Law 1988-1993
- Chair, Standing Committee on Insurance Programs 1992-1993
- Member, Standing Committee on Insurance Programs. 1988-1993
- Chair, Real Estate Section Council 1986-1987
- Member, Real Estate Section Council 1983-1988
- Member, Task Force on Specialization and Certification, 1990
- Member, Standing Committee on Specialization, 1977-1978
- Pillar of Profession Life Fellow of Illinois Bar Foundation (Charter)

### American Bar Association

- Member, Task Force on Nonlawyer Practice 1992-1995
- Member, General Practice Section Council 1991-1992
- Member, General Practice Section Advocacy Committee 1992-1993
- Budget Director, General Practice Section 1990-1991

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- Member, General Practice Section Publications Board 1988-1990
- Member, General Practice Section Program Committee 1986-1990
- Co-Chair, General Practice Section New Publication Development Board 1988-1990
- Member, General Practice Section Real Property Committee 1979-1989
- Chair, General Practice Section Real Property Committee 1983-1987
- Chair, Real Property Section Committee on Home Mortgages 1989-1990
- Member, Real Property Section Committee on Conveyancing 1978-1980
- Life Fellow of the American Bar Foundation

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**AMERICAN COLLEGE OF  
REAL ESTATE LAWYERS**

- Member (elected in first year of eligibility) 1987-