

# **GEORGE E. MARIFIAN**

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2021-Present- Managing Member of Southern Illinois Arbitration & Mediation.

2020-2021-Retired from client representations. Affiliated with the United States Arbitration & Mediation-St. Louis since March 2020.

1984 to 2019 - A founding shareholder of Mathis, Marifian and Richter, Ltd. Where my practice was concentrated in the representation of closely-held businesses, business law, and business litigation; civil and criminal tax controversy and litigation; estate planning; probate and trust law and litigation; real estate law and litigation; income, estate, and gift tax planning.

1982-1984 - Associate with the law firm of John J. Vassen, P.C., Belleville, Illinois, practicing principally in the areas of civil taxation, estate planning, and business law.

1976-1982 - Tax Attorney/Certified Public Accountant with Price Waterhouse, St. Louis, Missouri with a practice concentrated in income, estate, and gift tax planning, tax compliance, and tax controversy.

### **ADMITTED TO PRACTICE**

Illinois (1977), Missouri (1990), United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, United States Tax Court, United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois, United States District Court for the Central District of Illinois.

### **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT**

Certificates issued in Missouri (1982) and Illinois (1983) (licenses inactive).

## **EDUCATION**

St. Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri-J.D.-1976  
St. Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri-MBA-1975  
Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri-B.S. Business Administration-1972

## **MEDIATION/ARBITRATION**

### **COURT-APPROVED MEDIATOR.**

Completion of ISBA *Lane and Calkin 40 Hour Mediation/Arbitration Training Program* and qualified to serve in Illinois as a court-appointed mediator in all civil disputes exclusive of family law.

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

### **ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**

Appointed by the Illinois Supreme Court in December 2013 for a three-year term ending December 31, 2016. Reappointed in December 2016 to a second three-year term expiring December 31, 2019; reappointed in December 2019 for a third three-year term ending December 31, 2022. This Committee advises and makes recommendations to the Court and the Supreme Court Rules Committee on matters relating to legal ethics and professional responsibility.

- Appointed to Subcommittee for consideration of rule change to Supreme Court Rule 1.2(d) in response to the enactment of the Illinois Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program Act and contributor to Committee's recommendation to the Supreme Court (November 2014).
- Appointed to Joint Working Group comprised of four members each from Members from the Supreme Court Committee on Professional Responsibility and the Supreme Court Commission on Access to Justice to comment on whether the CBA/CBF Task Force on the Sustainable Practice of Law & Innovation dated September 2020 merits further consideration.
- Appointed Subcommittee Chair for evaluation of selective proposals presented in the CBA/CBF Task Force on the Sustainable Practice of Law & Innovation dated September 2020.

### **AMERICAN COLLEGE OF TAX COUNSEL**

Elected a Fellow of the College in 2009. The Fellows of the American College of Tax

Counsel constitute an extraordinary group of America's very best tax attorneys. Membership is reserved for those leaders who have made an exceptional contribution to their chosen profession. Fellows must be nominated for the honor of membership and must then undergo a rigorous screening process before being elected as Fellows of the College.

As part of its mission to improve the tax system, the College provides recommendations to Congress and the Internal Revenue Service for improving the nation's tax laws and the way that they are interpreted and administered, and it provides input into the judicial system by filing "friend of the court" briefs in selected tax cases.

## **AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION**

### **Section of Taxation**

Employment Tax Committee, Chairman (2000-2002); Newsletter Editor (2000-2002); Vice-Chairman (1998-2000); Member of Task Force on IRC Sec. 6672 Revision; Member, Civil and Criminal Tax Penalties Committee.

*Chairman of the Joint Task Force on National IRS Allowable Expense Standards (1996-1998) and Principal Author of 1997 Legislative Proposal for the ABA Section of Taxation Joint Task Force to amend IRC §7122 regarding the need for guidelines in determining a taxpayer's ability to pay for an Offer in Compromise. **The Proposal was enacted into law by §3462(a) of The IRS Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998, P. L. 105-206, which added a new subsection (c).** [That subsection was later re-designated as subsection (d) by Sec. 509(a) of the Tax Increase Prevention and Reconciliation Act of 2005, P. L. 109-222.] The amendment was implemented by the Chief Counsel of the Internal Revenue Service in §§. 6.04 (2) and (3) of Rev. Proc. 2003-71, 2003-2 C.B. 517.*

### **Center for Professional Responsibility**

This Center provides national leadership in developing and interpreting standards and scholarly resources in legal and judicial ethics, professional regulation, professionalism, and client protection. Member 2013 to present

### **General Practice Section**

Co-Chairman of the Business Advice and Financial Planning Committee-(1990-1993); Co-Editor of Committee Newsletter - (1990-1993, 1996).

## **ILLINOIS STATE BAR ASSOCIATION**

### **Elected as a Member of the Assembly**

By the Association members residing in or practicing in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuits

of Illinois. (1994-1996)

### **Alternative Dispute Resolution**

The ADR Section strives to aid practitioners and the public on the dynamics of alternative methods of dispute resolution, the risks, the benefits, and the opportunities arising from their use.

### **Estate Planning, Probate and Trust Section**

Council Member (1985-1989).

### **Business Advice and Financial Planning Section**

Chair (1992-1993); Council Member (1989-1993). Ex Officio (1993-1994).

### **Federal Taxation Section**

Chair (1999-2000), (2013-2014); Ex Officio (2000-2001), (2014-2015); Council Member (1993-2000) and (2006-2014); Co-Editor of Section Newsletter (1995-1997).

### **Senior Lawyers**

### **Special Committee on GATS**

Appointed Chairman (2004) of this Special Committee of the Illinois State Bar Association to review how GATS (General Agreement on Trade in Services) impacts the practice of law in Illinois. The Special Committee issued its Final Report to the Board of Governors and the General Assembly recommending modifications to the Illinois Rules on Admission and Professional Conduct. (2004-2006).

### **Standing Committee on Professional Conduct**

Reappointed as Council Member (2015-Present) previously served (2000-2003). This Committee is charged with the responsibility for drafting and submitting to the Board of Governors informal opinions addressing questions involving legal ethics and professional conduct.

## **ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS BAR ASSOCIATION**

Board of Directors - (1991-1994); Continuing Education Coordinator - (1993-1997)  
Continuing Legal Education Committee (1999-2002)

## **CURRENT MEMBERSHIPS IN THE MISSOURI STATE BAR ASSOCIATION**

## **AND THE ARMENIAN BAR ASSOCIATION**

### **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

Preeminent AV Rated by Martindale Hubbell since July 1993.

Elected a Life Fellow of the American Bar Foundation

Selected for Inclusion by “Illinois *Leading Lawyer’s Network*” (2006-2020; Profiled in July 2012 publication.

Selected for Inclusion by “Illinois *Super Lawyers*” in Business Law (2007) and Tax Law (2010)

### **EXPERT WITNESS TESTIMONY**

*Burchard v. Kaiser*, No. 06 CC-004544, Twenty-First Judicial Circuit (St. Louis County, MO). July 2010 deposition and trial testimony for plaintiff regarding questionable tax advice. Jury verdict for the plaintiff.

*R. B., by J.B., et al. v. Marriott Hotel Services, Inc., et al.*, No. 02-8469, Twenty-Second Judicial Circuit, (St. Louis, MO). November 2001 deposition testimony for plaintiff regarding employee leasing arrangement. Out-of-court settlement.

*James Hutcheson v. A. P. Green Industries, Inc., et al.*, No. 99-L-450 Third Judicial Circuit, (Madison County, Il). June 2000 deposition and trial testimony for plaintiff regarding a corporate reorganization. Verdict for plaintiff.

### **PROFESSIONAL LECTURES AND WHITE PAPERS**

#### **WHITE PAPERS AUTHORED**

“*Recommendation For Legislation Establishing A National Commission To Consider Whether A Value-Added Replacement Tax Should Be A Component Of Federal Tax Reform;*” White Paper presented on behalf of Federal Taxation Section of the ISBA to the staffs of the United States Senate Finance Committee and House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee May 8-9, 2013; updated and republished May 6-7, 2015.

“*Recommendation for Technical Correction to Section 7721(B) of P.L. 101-239*”; White Paper presented on behalf of Illinois State Bar Association Section of Federal Taxation to the United States Senate Finance Committee Staff and House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee Staff, May 4-5, 2011.

“*Recommendation for Technical Correction to Section 7430-Awarding Costs and Fees*”;

White Paper presented on behalf of Illinois State Bar Association Section of Federal Taxation to the United States Senate Finance Committee Staff and House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee Staff, May 5-6, 2010.

*“Recommendation for Changes to Section 6694- Understatement of Taxpayer’s Liability By Return Preparer”*; White Paper presented on behalf of Illinois State Bar Association Section of Federal Taxation to the United States Senate Finance Committee Staff and House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee Staff, May 7-8, 2008.

*“Offers in Compromise;”* White Paper presented on behalf of Illinois State Bar Association Section of Federal Taxation to the United States Senate Finance Committee Staff and House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee Staff, May 9-10, 2007.

## **PROFESSIONAL LECTURES**

“Data Security: Protect Yourself By Protecting Your Client,” Mathis, Marifian & Richter, Ltd. Tax Cut, and Jobs Act Seminar, Mt. Vernon, IL; O’Fallon, IL St. Louis, MO October 2018

“The Tax Cut and Jobs Act: Its Effects on Tax-Exempt Organizations” Mathis, Marifian & Richter, Ltd. Tax Cut, and Jobs Act Seminar, O’Fallon, IL February 2018

“Choice of Entity,” Illinois State Bar Association Seminar on Starting Your Law Practice Presented by the ISBA General Practice, Solo & Small Firm Section, Chicago, IL, January 2018

“Choosing your New Office Space” Illinois State Bar Association Seminar on Starting Your Law Practice Presented by the ISBA General Practice, Solo & Small Firm Section, Chicago, IL, January 2018

“Accuracy-Related Penalties and Reliance on the Advice of a Tax Professional: When the Two Diverge,” Mathis, Marifian & Richter, Ltd. Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September, and October 2017

“Important Developments in Tax Procedure and Administration,” Mathis, Marifian & Richter, Ltd. Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September, and December 2016.

“Recent Developments in Procedure and Administration;” Mathis, Marifian & Richter, Ltd. Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September, and December 2015.

“Significant Developments in Tax Administration and Procedure;” Mathis, Marifian & Richter, Ltd. Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September, and December 2014.

“The Nuts and Bolts of a Collection Due Process Case: What the Tax Return Preparer

Needs to Know When the Taxpayer Receives a Final Notice of Intent to Levy;” Mathis, Marifian & Richter, Ltd. Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2013.

“Eggshell Audits: What Every Return Preparer Needs to Understand;” Mathis, Marifian & Richter, Ltd. Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2012.

“Preparer Penalties Revisited --The Report of A Preparer Penalty Case,” Illinois State Bar Association Annual Federal Tax Conference, Chicago, IL November 2011

“2011 Amendments to Circular 230: What Attorneys Should Know About the Changing Disciplinary Landscape”; Illinois State Bar Association Annual Federal Tax Conference, Chicago, IL, November 2011.

“Notice of Federal Tax Lien: Do Recent Announcements Reveal a Kinder and Gentler IRS?” Mathis, Marifian & Richter, Ltd. Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2011.

“Dealing With the Tax Collector in Financially Troubling Times,” Mathis, Marifian & Richter, Ltd. Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2011.

“Codification of the Economic Substance Doctrine and Imposition of Penalties,” Mathis, Marifian & Richter, Ltd. Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2010.

“Small Business Jobs Act of 2010”, Mathis, Marifian & Richter, Ltd. Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2010.

“Tax Issues in Family Law Cases,” St. Clair County Bar Association 2010 Family Law Seminar, Belleville, IL June 2010

Program author and Petitioner’s Counsel in a mock United States Tax Court trial for the Illinois State Bar Association Annual Federal Tax Conference, Chicago, IL February 2010.

“Tax Court Litigation from the Petitioner’s Perspective,” Illinois State Bar Association Annual Federal Tax Conference, Chicago, IL February 2010

“New Penalty Preparer Regulations: You Can Run but You Can’t Hide,” Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2009.

Moderator, “Employment Tax Insights from the State of Illinois,” American Bar Association Section of Taxation Employment Tax Committee Fall Meeting, Chicago, IL September 2009

“The Illinois Employee Classification Act,” American Bar Association Section of Taxation Employment Tax Committee Fall Meeting, Chicago, IL September 2009

“Tax Aspects of Personal Injury Litigation,” Illinois State Bar Association Mid-Year Meeting, Chicago, IL December 2008.

“Coping with the Proposed Amendments to Tax Return Preparer Penalties Regulations,” Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2008.

“Ethical Considerations in a Tax Practice,” 2008 Federal Tax Conference, Illinois State Bar Association, Federal Taxation Section, Chicago, IL, January 2008.

“Taxation of Damage Awards” Sangamon County Estate Planning Council, Springfield, IL October 2007.

“Recent Developments in Tax Procedure,” Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2007.

“Tax Aspects of Litigation”–2007 Federal Tax Conference, Illinois State Bar Association, Federal Taxation Section, Chicago, IL January 2007.

“Negotiating Installment Agreements with the IRS Collection Division,” Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2006.

“Negotiating Installment Agreements with the IRS Collection Division,” IRS Nationwide 2006 Tax Forum, Chicago, IL July 2006.

Panelist, “Circular 230”, IRS Nationwide 2006 Tax Forum, Chicago, IL July 2006.

“IRS Circular 230 Revisions”, Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2005.

“Recent Developments in Tax Practice & Procedure,” Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2004.

Moderator for “Employment Tax Insights from the State of Illinois,” American Bar Association Section of Taxation Fall Meeting, Chicago, IL September 2003.

“Tax Procedure & Administrative Update,” Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2003.

“Illinois Tax Amnesty,” Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2003.

“Tax Procedure Update – A Compilation of Selected Regulations, Rulings, Procedures, Administrative Pronouncements and Cases in the Last Year,” Mathis, Marifian, Richter &



Grandy Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2002.

“Lyn’ Like a Rug? The Anatomy of a Worker Classification Trial” American Bar Association Section of Taxation Employment Tax Committee May Meeting, Washington, DC, May 2002. Program author and panelist representing the Petitioner in a mock trial of a hypothetical worker classification Petition for Redetermination in the United States Tax Court.

“Hardball Litigation: What’s a Good Lawyer to Do?” Illinois State Bar Association, April, Collinsville, IL. April 2002.

“Recent Developments in Tax Practice and Procedure,” Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Update and Planning Seminar, September 2001.

Panelist on *Tax Talk Today*’s series, “Is that Worker an Employee?” is a continuing education series co-sponsored by the IRS. Live Webcast from Washington, DC August 28, 2001. [www.taxtalktoday.tv](http://www.taxtalktoday.tv)

“Advising Small Businesses,” Illinois State Bar Association Law Ed Practical Skills Course, Chicago, IL August 2001.

“Choice of Entity and other Key Considerations in Law Firm Departure and Organization,” Illinois State Bar Association Business Advice and Financial Planning Section 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Collegium, Chicago, Illinois, March 2000.

“Reasonable Cause Exceptions in Abating Penalties,” Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Planning and Update Seminar, September 2000.

“Advising Small Businesses,” Illinois State Bar Association Law Ed Practical Skills Course, Edwardsville, IL August 2000.

“Role of the Office of Chief Counsel Under the IRS Reorganization,” Illinois State Bar Association Section of Federal Taxation, March 2000.

“Estate Planning with Revocable Living Trusts,” Southwest Bank Trust Division, March 2000.

Moderator-1999 Federal Tax Conference, Illinois State Bar Association Section of Federal Taxation, Chicago, IL October 1999.

“Understanding the New Hardship Rules for Offers in Compromise Under Temporary Regulation Sec. 301.7122” - Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Planning and Update Seminar, October 1999.

Moderator, “Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS)-What it Means to You and Your Clients” --American Bar Association Section of Taxation, Employment Tax Committee, Washington, DC May 1999.

“Abating Failure to Deposit Penalties”-American Bar Association Section of Taxation, Employment Tax Committee Mid-Year Meeting, January 1999.

“Technical Corrections Under the IRS Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998” - Illinois State Bar Association Section of Federal Taxation Law Ed Series, Chicago, IL December 1998.

“Malpractice Prevention Tips in Estate Planning” - Illinois State Bar Association Mutual Insurance Company Loss Prevention Seminar, Collinsville, IL October 1998.

“What’s Hot in the Criminal Tax Arena” - 1998 Federal Tax Conference, Illinois State Bar Association Section of Federal Taxation, Chicago, IL September 1998.

“Taxpayer Rights Under the IRS Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998” - Mathis, Marifian Richter & Grandy Tax Planning and Update Seminar, September 1998.

Moderator, “A Proposal for Reform of The IRS National and Local Allowable Expense Standards,” Employment Tax Committee of the American Bar Association Section of Taxation, January and July, Washington, DC 1998.

“Voluntary Disclosure: Avoiding Criminal Tax Prosecutions” - Southern Chapter, Illinois State CPA Society, Belleville, IL April 1998.

“Educational and Savings Incentives under The Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997” - Illinois State Bar Association Section of Federal Taxation Law Ed Series, Chicago, IL December 1997.

“Highlights of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 Affecting Individuals” - Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Planning and Update Seminar, September 1997.

“Planning for the Not So Large Estate” - Magna Trust Company, June 1997.

“Employee or Independent Contractor? Significant Developments Affecting Worker Classification” - Illinois State Bar Association Section of Federal Taxation Law Ed Series, Chicago and Champaign, IL January and February 1997.

“Recent Developments Affecting Worker Classification” - Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy, Tax Planning and Update Seminar, December 1996.

"Charitable Estate Tax Planning" - Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Planning and

Update Seminar, December 1995.

"A Walk-Through of a Detailed Checklist of Legal/Business Considerations, Choices, Problem Areas, Planning Opportunities and Long- Range Issues for Which the Lawyer should Lay an Early Foundation and Initial Ethical Issues and Engagement Letters" - Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education, Champaign, IL October 1995.

"Basic Estate Planning" - Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education, February 1995.

"Estate Tax Planning" - Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Planning and Update Seminar, December 1994.

Moderator, "Handling Client Money Without Getting Into Mischief" - St. Clair County Bar Association Continuing Education Seminar on Legal Ethics, October 1994.

"Offers in Compromise and Other Petitions to the Illinois Board of Appeals" - Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Update and Planning Seminar, June 1994.

"Determining Who is an Employee and the Consequences of Mistaken Classification" - Advisory Communications Systems, Inc. 1994 Access Lawyers Conference, March 1994.

"Sexual Harassment in the Workplace" - Advisory Communications Systems, Inc. 1994 Access Lawyers Conference, March 1994.

"Succession Planning for the Family-Owned Business" - Advisory Communications Systems, Inc. 1994 Access Lawyers Conference, March 1994.

"Review of Significant Cases and Ruling of the Past Year" - Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy Tax Update and Planning Seminar, December 1993.

"Recent Developments Affecting the Trust Fund Recovery Penalty", Southern Chapter, Illinois CPA Society, Belleville, IL August 1993.

Moderator, "Recent Developments in Attorney Disciplinary Matters" - St. Clair County Bar Association Continuing Legal Education Seminar on Legal Ethics, April 1993.

Moderator, "Planning for the Succession of the Family-Owned Business" - Third Annual Collegium of the Business Advice and Financial Planning Section Council of the Illinois State Bar Association, Chicago, IL February 1992.

"Postmortem Tax Planning" - Association of Business Accountants - May 1991.

Moderator, "The Asset Purchase Agreement" - Second Annual Collegium of The Business Advice and Financial Planning Section Council of the Illinois State Bar Association,

Chicago, IL February 1991.

"Effective Representation before the IRS" - Independent Accountants Association of Illinois, Belleville, IL November 1990.

"Recent Income Tax Developments" - Federal Tax Course, Illinois State Bar Association – Chicago, IL January 1990.

"Techniques for Dealing With the IRS" - Southern Chapter Illinois CPA Society-Belleville, IL July 1989.

"Postmortem Tax Planning" National Business Institute- Belleville, IL 1989.

"Effective Representation Before the IRS" - Illinois CPA Society Belleville, IL May 1988

"Postmortem Tax Planning" - National Business Institute –Belleville, IL 1987.

“New Depreciation Rules of the Tax Reform Act of 1986" Illinois State Bar Association Mid-Year Meeting, Chicago, IL December 1986.

“Corporate Year-End Tax Planning" - Independent Accountants Association of Illinois – Belleville, IL November 1986.

Chairman and Moderator of the “29th Annual Southern Illinois Tax Conference” - Illinois CPA Society, Carbondale, IL October 1986.

"Postmortem Tax Planning” Illinois CPA Society, Chicago, IL (1986).

"Terminating Professional Corporations After TEFRA -'82"-Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education - (1984) and Southern Chapter Illinois CPA Society - (1984).

“Taxation of Americans Living Abroad,” Price Waterhouse-Venezuela Seminar for Clients and Friends, Caracas and Valencia, Venezuela, May 1979.

Numerous speeches to civic and community groups on estate planning, income tax planning, and estate tax planning.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

“Offers in Compromise: Did The IRS Get the Message?” *Journal of Tax Practice and Procedure*, June/July 1999.

“Representing a Taxpayer before the IRS” *The Complete Lawyer*, January/February 1999.

"A Walk-Through of a Detailed Checklist of Legal/Business Considerations, Choices, Problem Areas, Planning Opportunities and Long- Range Issues for Which the Lawyer should Lay an Early Foundation and Initial Ethical Issues and Engagement Letters" – Coursebook for the *Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education Course Manual*, October 1995.

"Basic Probate in Illinois" - *National Business Institute Course Manual* (1989)

"Postmortem Tax Planning" - *Illinois CPA Society Course Manual* (1985)

Numerous articles and case notes were published in the Federal Taxation Section Newsletter of the Illinois State Bar Association; the Business Advice and Financial Planning Committee Newsletter of the General Practice Section of The American Bar Association.

## **OTHER AFFILIATIONS**

### **Armenian Orthodox Church-the Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin, Armenia**

Elected as one of the twenty-five delegates of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America and one of four hundred delegates worldwide to the National Ecclesiastical Assembly of the Armenian Orthodox Church for the Pontifical election of the Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, His Holiness Karekin I, April 1995.

### **Diocese of the Armenian Church of America, New York, New York**

Diocesan Delegate (1982-2002); Annual Diocesan Assembly--Vice-Chairman (1992, 1993), English language Secretary (1983, 1984); Past Chairman of Nominating and Proposals Committees (1996, 1999), Member- Nominating Committee (2000, 2002).

### **Holy Virgin Mary and Shoghagat Armenian Church, Belleville, Illinois**

Chairman of the Parish Council (1977-1978) (1987-1988); numerous other offices (1976-1988) (1992-2000) (2003-2015, 2021-P), Diocesan Delegate (1982-2002); Ordained Deacon

### **Knights of Vartan Avarayr Lodge (Armenian Fraternal Lodge)**

## **PAST COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:**

**Board of Education, Signal Hill Elementary School District No. 181** (1997-2007), President (2003), also held offices of Vice-President and Secretary.

**Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital of St. Louis Gift Planning Committee** (1998-

2002).

**Signal Hill Educational Foundation**-Secretary and Member of the Board of Directors (1996-1997).

**Call For Help, Inc.** (a United Way funded social service agency), Board of Directors - (1987-1997).

**Belleville Downtown Optimists** - Board of Directors (1988-1989)

**River Bluffs Girl Scout Council** - Board of Directors (1984-1987), Chairman of Finance Committee- (1986-1987), Chairman of the Trust Fund (1985-1987).

### **PERSONAL**

Currently resides in Belleville, Illinois with his spouse, the former Nina Nevrig Marsoobian of Lake Bluff, Illinois. Parents of three adult children.