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EDUCATION:

LEGAL:

Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., 1981
Washington, D.C.

UNDERGRADUATE: Scripps College, B.A., 1978
Claremont, California

Associated Colleges of the Midwest Study Abroad Program
Florence, Italy, Winter 1977
London, England, Spring 1977

Universite de Paris, Sorbonne, Fall 1976

BAR ADMISSIONS: State of Colorado
United States District Court for Colorado
United States Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

American Bar Association
American Bar Association Commission on Immigration,
Commissioner, 2006-2009
American Bar Association Advisory Board,
Commission on Immigration, Member, 2009- Present
Colorado Bar Association
Boulder County Bar Association
Boulder County Bar Foundation
American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)
Colorado Chapter of AILA
Incoming Chair, 2010-2011
American Bar Foundation Fellow, 2008-Present

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LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

June 2009-Present

Fiflis Law LLC, Boulder, Colorado

Founder of law firm providing legal services in the areas of immigration and nationality law and state-court receiverships

February 2010-Present

Family Law International, Boulder, Colorado

Member of consortium of legal counsel providing legal consulting and international relocation services

October 2007 –June 2009

Waring & Fiflis, LLC, Boulder, Colorado

Owner of law firm providing legal services in the areas of immigration and nationality law, water and real estate law and state-court receiverships

January 2007 – October 2007

The Fiflis Law Firm, LLC, Boulder, Colorado

Owner and manager of law firm providing legal services in the areas of immigration and nationality law and state-court receiverships. The Fiflis Law Firm, LLC also serves as Of-Counsel to the law firm of O'Brien Waring & Zender, P.C.

May 2005 – January, 2007 **Sole Practitioner, Boulder, Colorado**

Practice limited to U.S. immigration and nationality matters and state-court receiverships

August 2004 -May 2005 **Carter & Alterman, Denver, Colorado**

Practice in U. S. immigration and nationality matters

January 1997- August 2005 **Sole Practitioner, Boulder, Colorado**

Of Counsel to The Krovitz Law Firm, P.C.

Of Counsel to Harvey W. Curtis and Associates, P.C.

Practice emphasized U.S. nationality and immigration matters, state-court receiverships and landlord-tenant matters

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LEGAL EXPERIENCE – Continued

January 2004 - May 2004 **Adjunct Faculty Member, Boulder, Colorado**
University of Colorado School of Law
Instructor of Immigration and Citizenship Law

May 1996 - January 1997 **Hall & Fiflis, P.C., Denver, Colorado**
Shareholder and Director; Practice in general business matters
emphasizing creditors' remedies

January 1995 - May 1996 **Mathis & Marsh, P.C., Denver, Colorado**
Director and Associate; Practice in general business law with an
emphasis in receiverships and commercial leasing
contract and lease drafting, review and negotiation and loan
documentation review

March 1988 - January 1995 **The Mathis Law Firm, P.C., Denver, Colorado**
Associate; Practice in commercial and real estate law, emphasizing

May 1987 - March 1988 **Sole Practitioner, Boulder, Colorado**
Practice in civil litigation, supervision of new loan program
document preparation for a major savings and loan association
and assistance to private counsel in water rights representation
for local municipalities

June 1983 - May 1987 **Hellerstein, Hellerstein and Shore, P.C., Denver, Co**
Associate; Commercial litigation practice emphasizing real estate
foreclosures, promissory note suits, mechanics' lien claims
and receiverships

September 1981 - June 1983 **Nossaman, Guthner, Knox & Elliott, Denver, Colorado**
Local office of Los Angeles-based national law firm
Associate; Practice emphasizing business and water rights
acquisition and litigation

October 1979 - March 1981 **United States Department of Justice, Torts Branch,
Civil Division, Washington, D.C.**
Law Clerk; Legal research and writing pertaining to the
government's defense in complex civil litigation

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PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Upcoming: Discussant, Denver League of Women Voters screening of Documentary film, "Swift Justice", March 18, 2010

February, 2009- Continuing education presentation to the Boulder County Bar Association Employment Law Section on "Immigration Law and Employer Compliance in Colorado".

Winter/Spring 2008-2009-Interviewee in "Framing the Immigration Debate", Boulder Magazine

Interviewee, documentary film entitled "Swift Justice" produced by Denver-based non-profit film company Little Voice, about the December 12, 2006 Immigration & Customs Enforcement raid of the Swift meat-processing plant in Greeley, Colorado, in connection with which Ms. Fiflis was hired by United Food and Commercial Workers Union Local 7 to represent all union members arrested in the raid. Ms. Fiflis represented in excess of 120 persons arrested in the raid and organized and directed a supporting legal team.

Panelist on "Law & Justice", continuing to air since 2007 on Boulder County Cable Channel 8, discussing topics in immigration. "Law & Justice" is a joint public education program production of the Boulder County Bar Association and Channel 8 Television. The program is designed to help non-lawyers understand what happens in particular areas of law.

April 19, 2008- Waring & Fiflis, LLC, volunteered legal services to assist in naturalization of lawful permanent residents in connection with AILA National and AILA Colorado Citizenship Day.

March 27, 2008- Ms. Fiflis moderated a seminar sponsored by Lorman Education Services on Immigration Law and Employer Compliance held in Denver, Colorado
July 25, 2007-The Fiflis Law Firm, LLC, presented a program on Basic Immigration Issues and Rights with El Consulado General de Mexico en Denver, sponsored by El Comite de Longmont

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PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS-continued

March 15, 2007- Ms Fiflis testified on behalf of the ABA Commission on Immigration, before the U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee on Border, Maritime & Global Counterterrorism for the Committee on Homeland Security, in connection with its hearing on "Crossing the Border: Immigrants in Detention and Victims of Trafficking, Part 1". Her testimony can be found at www.abanet.org/publicserv/immigration/fiflis_testimony_before_subcommittee.pdf.

May 26, 2007- The Fiflis Law Firm, LLC, presented a program on Basic Immigration Issues and Rights in Denver, Colorado, sponsored by Consulate General, Guatemala Consulate of Colorado.

May 12, 2007- Interviewee, Denver Post "A conversation with Boulder immigration lawyer Christina A. Fiflis"
http://www.denverpost.com/immigration/ci_5878073

April 14, 2007- Ms Fiflis served as a panelist at the Feminist Majority Foundation's Western Regional Women's Rights and Leadership Conference at the University of Colorado at Boulder.

Co-Author, *Introduction to Immigration Issues for Non-Immigration Lawyers*, Boulder County Bar Newsletter, October, 2006

Co-panelist, Presentation to Boulder County Bar and Bench regarding Immigration Issues, Fall 2006

Presenter and Co-Author, "*Receiverships: How to Avoid Pitfalls*", CLE International Real Estate Financing, Conference January 24, 25, 2005, Denver, Colorado

Co-Author, "*Special Considerations in Commercial Foreclosures*", National Business Institute manual on Effective Commercial Foreclosure Strategies Colorado, 2003

Chapter Co-Author, "*Rule 66, Receivers*", Colorado Civil Procedure Forms and Commentary, West Publishing Co., 1995, 1996, 1997, 2004, 2005

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PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIP

Advisory Board Member, American Bar Association (“ABA”) Commission on Immigration Advisory Board, 2009-Present

Commissioner, American Bar Association (“ABA”) Commission on Immigration
2008-2009

American Bar Foundation Fellow-The ABA Foundation is an honorary organization of lawyers, judges and legal scholars whose public and private careers have demonstrated outstanding dedication to the welfare of the community, the traditions of the profession and maintenance and advancement of the objectives of the ABA. ABA Fellows represent one-third of one percent of licensed attorneys.

Colorado Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association
Incoming Chair, 2010-2011
Chair-Elect, 2009-2010
Treasurer, 2008-2009
Secretary, 2007-2008
Assistant Secretary, 2006-2007

Volunteer mentor, Rocky Mountain Immigrant Advocacy Network (RMIAN) Pro Bono Mentoring Panel; 2006-Present

Boulder County Bar Foundation Member

Member of the Board of Directors for the Children, Youth and Environments Center for Research and Design in the College of Architecture and Planning, University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center, www.cudenver.edu/cye, 2007-2009

Vice-President and member of the Board of Directors for SalusWorld, www.Salusworld.org, 2007-Present

Volunteer Attorney, “Ya Es Hora, Ciudadania” citizenship drive, July 28, 2007 at the Colorado Muslim Society (Masjid Abu Bakr).

Task Force Member, Colorado Bar Association Common Law Marriage Task Force, June 2007- October, 2007

Volunteer Attorney for minors in proceedings conducted pursuant to Colorado Parental Notification Act, 2008

See attached page for additional past community activities

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ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY ACTIVITES

Pro Bono Attorney for detainees in GEO Aurora USICE detention facility, Aurora, Colorado, 2004-2006

Boulder High School Parent Representative on teacher interview committee, Spring 2004

Boulder High School Parent Advisory Council, Co-Chair, 2003-2004, Boulder, Colorado

Boulder Business and Professional Women, 2003, Boulder, Colorado

Volunteer Organizing Committee for Annual "Lunch With . . ." Series,
Women's Choice Clinic, 2000-2003

Volunteer attorney for Colorado Chapter American Immigration Lawyers Association
Citizenship Drives 2003

Pro Bono Attorney, Rocky Mountain Immigration and Advocacy Network, 2001-2002

School Improvement Team, Fairview High School, Boulder, Colorado 2001-2002

Fairview H.S. Parent Organization, Boulder, Colorado 2001-2002

School Improvement Team, Southern Hills Middle School, Boulder, Colorado 1998-2001

Boulder Valley School District Advisory and Accountability Committee and School of Choice
Subcommittee, Boulder, Colorado 1997-1998

School Improvement Team, Bear Creek Elementary, Boulder, Colorado 1996-2000

Strategic Planning Committee, Martin Park Elementary, Boulder, Colorado
Summer 1995-Spring 1996

School Improvement Team, Martin Park Elementary, Boulder, Colorado 1992-1995;
Chairperson, 1993-1995

Georgetown University Alumni Undergraduate Interview Committee, 1986, 1987

Girl Scout Leader, Viento Unit, Boulder, Colorado 1994-2000
Recipient of Outstanding Leader Award, 1996-1997

Volunteer, Historic Boulder, *Meet the Spirits Day*, October 1998, October 2001

Volunteer, Collage Children's Museum, Boulder, Colorado, assisting in start-up of
children's museum, volunteer coordination and fundraising

Volunteer Coordinator, Family Resources Schools, City of Boulder, Colorado for
Martin Park Elementary School, 1995-1996