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Baltimore, Maryland, June 20, 1920. The Johns Hopkins University, A.B., 1941; Harvard University Law School, LL.B., 1948. Admitted to Maryland Bar, 1949. Served in U.S. Naval Reserve, 1942-46 (inactive duty as lieutenant, 1946-50). Member, American and Maryland State Bar Associations; American College of Trial Lawyers. Chair, Baltimore City Charter Revision Commission, 1963-64. President, Board of School Commissioners, Baltimore City, 1967-70. Board of Trustees, The Johns Hopkins University, 1976—. Chair, Walters Art Gallery, 1979-85 (chair emeritus, 1985—; pres., 1964-79). Author, "From Figgert to Fiction to Philosophy: The Requirement of Proof of Damage in Libel Actions," 22 Catholic University Law Review 1 (1972). Office: (410) 962-3607.

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