



Greg Stephens

Retired

Overview

Greg Stephens was a full-time attorney with Meagher + Geer for 43 years — 29 years as a trial and litigation attorney and 14 years as the firm's full-time Managing Partner.

After graduating from Law School in 1971, Greg served one year as a Federal Law Clerk to the Honorable Philip Neville, United States District Court, District of Minnesota. Greg started his legal career with Meagher + Geer on September 2, 1972. He was a trial attorney, litigator, arbitrator, mediator, and a no-fault insurance law expert. Greg became a Partner on July 1, 1977.

The Minnesota Supreme Court approved him as a neutral mediator and arbitrator. Greg had mediated and arbitrated cases involving business law, employment law, and personal injury.

Greg had been a frequent lecturer on behalf of Minnesota Continuing Legal Education and as a featured speaker at the Minnesota District Court Judge's Annual Convention. On January 10, 2000, the Partners elected him to the firm's Management Committee.

The Management Committee appointed Greg as the interim Managing Partner from October 17, 2001, to November 21, 2001. On December 1, 2001, he became the firm's full-time Managing Partner and Chair of the firm's Management Committee until June 30, 2015. The Management Committee then voted for Greg to remain with the firm as Of Counsel.

With 43 years of legal experience, Greg had both institutional knowledge and wisdom. As Managing Partner, he oversaw the firm's day-to-day operations—making good use of his financial knowledge and personal relationship skills. With any eye on the future, he focused on providing a sound foundation for the firm.

Greg worked with lawyers to expand the firm's national presence, as well as its influence within the legal community. In

Services

State Bar Admissions

- ◆ Minnesota, 1973

Federal Court Admissions

- ◆ United States Supreme Court, 1976
- ◆ United States Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit, 1973
- ◆ United States District Court, District of Minnesota, 1973

order to properly investigate, develop, present, and manage a vast variety of legal matters, Greg worked with lawyers and staff to maximize the firm's expertise and resources.

Outside the office, Greg enjoys exercising, skiing, in-line skating, and playing golf.

Education

- ♦ Colorado College, B.A., 1968
- ♦ Ohio State University College of Law, J.D., 1971

Judicial Clerkships

- ♦ Honorable Philip Neville, United States District Court, District of Minnesota, 1971-1972



Experience

Professional Affiliations

- ♦ American Bar Association
- ♦ Minnesota State Bar Association

Leadership

- ♦ In 2016, Greg was an adjunct professor at the University of St. Thomas School of Law and taught a class titled The Legal Entrepreneur.
- ♦ Every year starting in 2014 and continuing, Greg mentors and coaches six new students at the University of St. Thomas School of Law.

Notable

Publications

- Author, Section III F. “**Dedication and Responsiveness to Clients**” for the Gambrell award-winning book titled, ROADMAP the Law Student's Guide to Preparing and Implementing a Successful Plan for Meaningful Employment, by Neil W. Hamilton (2015)
- Author, “ [Dedication and Responsiveness to Clients](#) ” Section III, Part D, *The Roadmap for Employment: Connecting the Dots*, Professor Neil W. Hamilton (September 2013)
- Author, “[How to Obtain and Retain Clients](#)” Law Practice Today, published by American Bar Association (ABA) Law Practice Management Section (November 2012)
- Author, “**No-Fault Benefits**,” Chapter 18, *Minnesota Motor Vehicle Accident Desk Book*, St. Paul, Minnesota State Bar Association (1989)

Speaking Engagements

- Featured Speaker, Minnesota District Court Judge's Annual Convention
- Lecturer, Minnesota Continuing Legal Education

