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Bob O'Neill was admitted to the bar in 1977 in the District of Columbia. After serving as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in Washington, D.C., he accepted a position with the U.S. Attorney's Office in Vermont in 1984. He joined Gravel & Shea in 1987. He also is admitted to practice in the U.S. Tax Court and the U.S. Claims Court.

EDUCATION

Antioch School of Law, J.D. 1977

Boston University, M.U.A. 1974

State University of New York College at Plattsburgh, B.A. 1971

HONORS

Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® since 2006

Listed in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* since 2003

AV Preeminent Peer Review Rating in Martindale-Hubbell since 2004

Listed in *New England Super Lawyers* since 2012

Named as a "litigation star" in Benchmark's *Guide to America's Leading Litigation Firms and Attorneys* since 2008

MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

Fellow, International Academy of Trial Lawyers

Vermont Professional Conduct Board (1993-1999); Chair, Hearing Panel No. 3, Professional Responsibility Board (1999-Present)

Member, District of Columbia, Chittenden County, Vermont and American Bar Associations

St. Jude's Parish Council (1990-1996; 1999-2005)

Vermont Parent Information Center Board of Directors (1998-2002)

Sarah Carpenter Library Board of Directors (1990-1996)

Stern Center, Board of Directors (1990-1996)

SELECTED REPORTED CASES

In re Chittenden Solid Waste Dist., 2007 VT 28, 928 A.2d 1183 (2007)

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State v. Wesco, Inc., 2006 VT 93, 911 A.2d 281 (2006)
State v. Singer, 2006 VT 46, 180 Vt. 104, 904 A.2d 1184 (2006)
Sweezy v. Neel, 2006 VT 38, 179 Vt. 507, 904 A.2d 1050 (2006)
Agee v. Grunert, 349 F. Supp. 2d 838 (D. Vt. 2004)
Wesco, Inc. v. Sorrell, 2004 VT 102, 177 Vt. 287, 865 A.2d 350 (2004)
Mann v. Levin, 2004 VT 100, 177 Vt. 261, 861 A.2d 1138 (2004)
Bergeron v. Boyle, 2003 VT 89, 176 Vt. 78, 838 A.2d 918 (2003)
In re Casella Waste Mgmt., Inc., 2003 VT 49, 175 Vt. 335, 830 A.2d 60 (2003)
Jipac, N.V. v. Silas, 174 Vt. 57, 800 A.2d 1092 (2002)
Bixler v. Bullard, 172 Vt. 53, 769 A.2d 690 (2001)
Chittenden Solid Waste Dist. v. Hinesburg Sand & Gravel Co., 169 Vt. 153, 730 A.2d 614 (1999)
Hinesburg Sand & Gravel Co. v. State, 166 Vt. 337, 693 A.2d 1045 (1997)
Lakeview Farm, Inc. v. Enman, 166 Vt. 158, 689 A.2d 1089 (1997) (Appellate counsel only)
Secretary, Vermont Agency of Nat'l Res. v. Handy Family Enters., 163 Vt. 476, 660 A.2d 309 (1995)
Fellheimer v. Middlebury Coll., 869 F. Supp. 238 (D. Vt. 1994)
Mabee v. Mabee, 159 Vt. 282, 617 A.2d 162 (1992)
In re APC Constr., Inc., 132 B.R. 690 (D. Vt. 1991)
Philbin v. Town of St. George, 156 Vt. 640, 588 A.2d 1060 (1991)
U.S. v. Commercial Union Ins. Cos., 821 F.2d 164 (2d Cir. 1987)
Thomas v. Farrell, 153 Vt. 12, 568 A.2d 409 (1989)
U.S. v. Allison, 639 F.2d 792 (D.C. Cir. 1980)

BAR ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia (1977)
U.S. District Court, District of Columbia (1979)
U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit (1980)
U.S. District Court, District of Vermont (1984)
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (1985)
Vermont (1986)
U.S. Tax Court (1987)
U.S. Court of Federal Claims (1987)

PRACTICE AREAS:

- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Construction Litigation
- Criminal Defense
- Employment Litigation
- Environmental & Land Use Litigation
- Family Law
- General Business Litigation
- Health Law
- Products Liability & Personal Injury
- Professional Malpractice
- Regulatory Investigations
- Tax Controversy
- Trust & Estate Litigation