



Current position:

Retired CME, Commonwealth of Virginia

Education history:

Undergraduate Education: D'Youville College

Medical School: State University of New York School of Biomedical Sciences

Residency Program: Ottawa Civic Hospital, Cleveland Clinic and Virginia Commonwealth U of Ottawa, Cleveland Clinic, U Buffalo Biomedical Sciences

Fellowship: Virginia Commonwealth U Dept of Legal Medicine

HOW DID YOU INITIALLY BECOME INTERESTED IN FORENSIC PATHOLOGY?

Exposure to the Cuyahoga County Coroner's Office during residency.

WHAT ADVICE DO YOU HAVE FOR ASPIRING FORENSIC PATHOLOGISTS, INCLUDING RECOMMENDATIONS TO MATCH INTO A PATHOLOGY RESIDENCY PROGRAM AND ACCEPTANCE INTO A FORENSIC PATHOLOGY FELLOWSHIP?

Pick the best one you can. Look for real time exposure, scenes, autopsies, court exposure and teaching.

WHAT IS THE GREATEST CHALLENGE OF BEING A FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST?

Answering the pertinent questions regarding a death, putting the pieces of the puzzle together to figure out cause and manner of death, investigation correlation with autopsy findings.

WHAT DO YOU THINK ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUES/CHALLENGES OF FORENSIC PATHOLOGY TODAY?

Making sure any place you go has independence and a good code section governing your independence.

WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR MOST MEMORABLE CASE AND WHY?

Too many. When I had a really terrific case put together, the perpetrator would plead guilty and I never got to testify to how we put it together.

WHAT DO YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT WORKING WITH YOUR TEAM?

Everyone has something to contribute.

WHO IS YOUR ROLE MODEL AND WHY?

David Wiecking, MD LLB because of his analytical approach to cases.

WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES AND HOW DO YOU MAINTAIN A WORK-LIFE BALANCE?

Stamps, retired now. Travel until recently. Never did have great work-live balance. Work was always consumed too much of my time.

WHAT IS YOUR MOST-LIKED MEAL AT YOUR FAVORITE LOCAL RESTAURANT?

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