

**Professional Resume of Gerald G. Simmons**

**PERSONAL**

D.O.B. 12-3-37      AGE: 77      One Son, Three grandchildren.

Married to Kathryn Koch 8-25-00

U.S. Navy 1955-1958      Enlisted Rank: E-5.

**HIGHER EDUCATION:**

Bowling Green State University, 1959-1964;  
B.A. In English Literature.

Cleveland State University, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law  
1967-1971 (Night School); J.D. 1971.

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES:**

Board of Directors, Legal and Defender Society of Columbus,  
1974-1981; President of Board 1980-81.

Franklin County(Ohio) Public Defender Commission, 1976-  
1987;Chairman of Commission, 1976-1987.

Board of Directors (& Founding Member), Ohio Association of  
Criminal Defense Lawyers,1986-1999 and 2009-ppresent;  
1994-1998, Vice-President for Continuing Legal Education;  
1997-1998, Vice-President, Publications;  
Frequent Lecturer, Death Penalty Seminars, emphasis on  
Capital Voir Dire and Trial seminars covering a variety of  
trial topics;

Coordinated and Directed OACDL's 1995 Death Penalty Seminar.

Board of Directors (& Founding Member), Central Ohio Association  
of Criminal Defense Lawyers, 1993-2000.

Former member, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers,  
American, Ohio State and Columbus Bar Associations.

Brewery District Commission 1999 to present  
Vice Chairman, several years  
Chairman 2009-present

**PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT:**

Staff Attorney, Legal Aid and Defender Society of Columbus,  
1972-1974.

Private Practice, Primary Criminal Defense, 1974-Present

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

Ohio Supreme Court Rule 20 Certified Death Penalty Trial Lawyer,  
First Chair and Appellate Counsel.

First Chair, Several Score Capital Cases, Trial Level. Many of  
these proceeded to trial. Two death penalty verdicts. Neither  
now on death row. No death verdicts in last thirty-three (33)  
years.

State Appellate Counsel - State v. Sandra Lockett, State Level  
Appeal of Landmark U.S. Supreme Court Case of Lockett v. Ohio.

The above as of May of 2015.