

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

B.A., Magna Cum Laude, Fordham University, Bronx, N.Y., 1964
Phi Beta Kappa

M.A. (Classics), Fordham University, 1972

J.D., Boston University School of Law, 1976
Editor, Law Review

Employment

1976-1977, Law Clerk, Hon. Raymond J. Pettine, U.S. District Court, Rhode Island

1977-Present, Private Practice

1978-1983, Founder and Executive Director, GLBTQ+ Advocates and Defenders
(GLAD)

Significant Litigation Involving LGBTQ+ Issues

Fricke v. Lynch, 491 F. Supp. 381 (D.R.I. 1980)
(right of high school senior to bring same sex date to senior prom)

Hurley v. Irish-American Gay, 515 U.S. 557 (1995)
(exclusion of lesbian, gay, and bisexual group from participation in Boston St. Patrick's Day Parade)

Doe v. Attorney General, 426 Mass. 136 (1997)
(voiding Sex Offender Registration Act requirement of automatic registration in the absence of a determination following a hearing concerning plaintiff's threat, if any, to minors and others for whose protection the act was passed)

Barrett v. Fontbonne Academy, 2015 Mass. Super. LEXIS 149
(co-counsel) (rescission of employment offer to gay man after school learned of his
marriage to same-sex partner)

Personal

Married to Alain Joseph Balseiro