

# NEW ENGLAND DISPUTE RESOLUTION NEUTRAL PROFILE

## Hon. Peter A. Velis

### **AREAS OF PRACTICE:**

Upon his retirement in the fall of 2012, Peter returned to Westfield, Massachusetts to serve as an adjunct Professor of Criminal Evidence at Westfield State University.

Former Superior Court Justice, Westfield, MA 1999-2012

Founded the law firm of Velis & Ziter that handled civil and criminal

matters in both state and federal courts 1978

Republican state legislator who served in the Massachusetts House of Representatives, representing the Fifth Hampden district from Wakefield, Massachusetts.

1973-1978

Served on the Judiciary Committee and was co-author of the Court Reform Act of 1978

### **BAR ADMISSION:**

Massachusetts – 1969

### **EDUCATION:**

Law School Suffolk University, LL.B. - 1969 Boston University, B.A. -1965

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