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- Background:** Native of Patterson, Pierce County. Seventh-Generation Georgian. Descendent of early settlers.
- Education:** Public Schools. University of Georgia, BA, Class of '61; Emory University Law School, LLB, 1964; Harvard Summer School, 1964.
- Profession:** Trial lawyer. Partner in Bouhan, Williamss & Levy of Savannah; Nelson, Gillis and Thomas, LLC, of Dublin, Georgia. (Retired)
- Current:** Founder, Alliance for Integrity, Dublin, GA, 2008.
Of counsel to law firm of Nelson and Dixon, LLC, Dublin.
- Additional Experience:** Legislative Assistant to U.S. Representative Russell Tuten, 89th Congress, Washington, DC, 1965-67.
- Public Speaker:** Guest Speaker at 37 civic clubs and organizations throughout Georgia and North Florida.

Lead trial counsel in approximately 100 jury trials in 38 Georgia Counties, Florida, and North Carolina.

Winner of statewide public speaking contest in high school Winner of Sophomore Declamation Contest, University of Georgia.
- Author:** Author of *Individual Integrity*, (Castlemarsh 1984)
A definitive work on the virtue's true meaning. Contains profiles of its practice and implementation.

Author of *Persuasive Speech* (Altman, Weil, Pensa, 1996)
A speaker's manual for lawyers and laymen.

Author of "On *Individual Integrity*," *Vital Speeches of the Day*, June 15, 1982.
Later quoted in *Fortune* magazine.

Author of "*Personal Integrity: Re-considered*," a speech for the general audience.
- Writer:** Essays and articles have appeared in *The Georgia State Bar Journal*, *The Georgia Alumni Record*, *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, *The Savannah Morning News*, *The Macon Telegraph*, *The Dublin Courier Herald*, *Fertilizer Progress*, *Southeast Farm Press*.
- Memberships:** State Bar of Georgia, First United Methodist Church, Dublin Rotary Club, Dublin-Laurens Chamber of Commerce, Oglethorpe Club of Savannah.
- References:** See Separate Document.