

# THE HON. GORDON R. LEECH

## Professional Background

- ***Trial Court Judge***
  - *Washington County Circuit Court, Branch II*
    - Trial court level. Handling general caseload including Criminal, Civil, Family, Probate, Juvenile and other matters. August 2025 to present.
- ***Criminal Litigation***
  - *Prosecutor.*
    - Military (USMC) Judge Advocate handling all levels of military crimes in court marshals (jury trials).
    - State Prosecutor (Wisconsin) handling an ongoing caseload of over 600 cases, jury trials in felony, misdemeanor, traffic and forfeiture offenses and misdemeanor appeals.
  - *Defense Attorney.*
    - Wisconsin courts, all levels of crimes, traffic offenses, revocation of probation, and mental health and guardianship proceedings. Clients include direct retainers, court and State Public Defender appointments.
- ***Civil Law and Litigation***
  - *Employment Law and Litigation*
    - Represented employers and employees in the private and public sector handling discrimination claims, wages, workers compensation, unemployment, non-compete agreements and common law claims in Federal, state and administrative forums and appeals.
  - *Consumer Litigation*
    - Representing consumers in claims arising from deceptive practices, fraudulent car sales, identity theft, credit reporting, and employment background checks.
  - Other areas of practice in former positions include insurance defense and coverage claims and commercial litigation in State and Federal courts.

## Attorney Positions Include

- *Fond du Lac County District Attorney's Office*, Assistant District Attorney, 2022-2025.
- *Leech Law Offices, S.C.*, 2010-2022. Offices in Milwaukee and West Bend, WI. Criminal defense, employment law, and consumer protection throughout Wisconsin.
- *Samster, Konkell & Safran, S.C.*, 2005-June 2009, Milwaukee, WI. Employment law, workers compensation, and consumer protection.
- *Wiederhold & Moses, P.A.*, 2002-2004. West Palm Beach, FL. Employment law and insurance defense.
- *Solo Practitioner*, 1997-2002. West Palm Beach, FL. Employment law and consumer protection.
- *Gunster, Yoakley, Valdes-Fauli & Stewart*, 1995-1997, Ft. Lauderdale & West Palm Beach, FL. Commercial litigation and employment law.
- *U.S. Marine Corps Reserve*, 1988~1999, active duty 1990-1995, Judge Advocate: 1992-1995 Camp Pendleton, CA: Trial Counsel (military prosecutor) and Base Labor Counsel: 1998~1999 4<sup>th</sup> ANGLICO Reserve Unit, West Palm Beach, FL.

## Education & Certifications

- *University of Pittsburgh School of Law*. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. J.D., 1990.
- *Pennsylvania State University*. University Park, Pennsylvania. B.S. Marketing, Minor Economics with additional emphasis in Finance and Speech, 1986.

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- *The Naval Justice School*, Naval Station, Newport, RI, 1991. Professional level school for advanced training in Trial Advocacy.
- *Formerly Board Certified Labor & Employment Law Specialist*, Florida Bar 2001-2005 (not current).
- *Formerly Certified as Circuit Court Mediator*, Florida Bar 2003-2005 (not current).

### Current Bar Admissions

- State Bar of Wisconsin.
- Federal Bars: United States Supreme Court; U.S. District Courts: Eastern & Western Districts of Wisconsin, Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals.
- Washington County Bar Association.

### Current Community Involvement

- Marine Corps League - Kettle Moraine Detachment 1203, West Bend, WI
- American Legion Post No. 1, Germantown, WI
- American Legion Riders Association of Wisconsin, District 2, Jackson, WI
- Sons of the American Legion, Squadron #36, West Bend, WI
- Rotary – West Bend Sunrise Rotary Club
- YMCA - Kettle Moraine, West Bend, WI
- Life Church, Germantown, WI
- Washington County Bar Association
- Hartford Conservation & Gun Club, Hartford, WI

### Distinctions

- *Awarded the Navy & Marine Corps Commendation Medal* in the U.S. Marine Corps while a Judge Advocate performing duties of Trial Counsel and Base Labor Counsel 1992-1995.
- *Awarded National Defense Service Medal* for serving in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Gulf War.
- *AV Rating* Martindale-Hubble.
- *10/10 Superb Rating* AVVO.com.

### Leadership Positions & Other Accomplishments

- *U.S. Marine Corps* (Reserve): Expert Rifle & Pistol Awards 1991-1995.
- *Peer Group Leader* (Experienced Attorneys), National Association of Consumer Advocates (Appointed 2016).
- *Chair and Board Member*, Civil Rights & Liberties Law Section, State Bar of Wisconsin (Term: 2010-2013).
- *Board Member* of the Labor & Employment Law Section, State Bar of Wisconsin (Term: July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2014), Elected 2011.
- *President, Florida Chapter of the National Employment Lawyers Association*, 2004-05, President Elect 2003-2004, Web Manager 2003-2004, Vice President 2002-2003, Regional Representative 2001-2002.
- *Co-Chair Labor & Employment Law Certification Review Course*, 2004, Florida Bar.
- *Chair Palm Beach County Bar Association*, 1997-98, Employment Law Continuing Legal Education Committee, 1996-97 Co-Chair.
- *President Penn State Marketing Association*, 1985-86.
- *Second Degree Black Belt*, American Taekwondo Association (1989).