MICHAEL S. KAKUK

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

1997 - Present	Attorney, private practice. (Registered lobbyist since 1997. Contract Attorney, Office of the State Public Defender.)
1990 - 1996	Montana State Legislature, Environmental Quality Council, Helena, Montana
Staff Attorney	

 Major duties included staffing interim studies for the Environmental Quality Council and the Water Policy Committee, responding to public and legislator information requests, drafting environmental and natural resource legislation, and staffing House and Senate Natural Resources Committees for the 1991 through 1995 legislative sessions.

WORK EXPERIENCE

1983 - 1988 U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service, Madison, Wisconsin

Soil Conservationist

 Major responsibilities included working with agricultural producers and developing resource conservation plans to achieve the goals of soil and water conservation. Developed a state-wide conservation education program for middle school students.

Awards

• Superior Performance of Duty Award, 1987.

1974 - 1979 U.S. Marine Corps, Paris Island, South Carolina and Quantico, Virginia.

Rank Upon Discharge - Staff Sergeant (E6)

 Major responsibilities included positions as Administrative Officer, Marine Corps Education and Development Command, Quantico, responsible for the deployment of over 3,000 Marines, and Drill Instructor/Sergeant Instructor, Paris Island and Quantico, responsible for the training of recruits and Officer Candidates.

Awards

• Four meritorious promotions, Good Conduct Medal, and Naval Achievement Award.

1987 - 1989	University of Wisconsin, Madison - Law School, Madison,
	Wisconsin

Juris Doctorate

• Graduated, in 24 months, in the top 25%. Participated in the Public Intervenor Clinic for 12 months and received the Outstanding Second Year Student Award.

1979 - 1983 University of Wisconsin - Madison and Stevens Point, Wisconsin

Bachelor of Science

 BS Degrees in Soil Science and Chemistry with an emphasis in Botany and Plant Pathology. Graduated from UW - Madison with Highest Honors (3.87 GPA)

ACCREDITATIONS

Licensed to practice law in Wisconsin and Montana.

Licensed to practice law before the U.S. Patent Bar.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Montana State Bar

State Bar of Wisconsin (Inactive)

United States Patent Bar

American Bar Association

Soil Conservation Society of America

American Federation of Musicians

REFERENCES

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