



CAPTAIN PIERCE W. HAMBLIN

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY CLASS OF 1973

Pierce W. Hamblin was born and raised in Lexington, Kentucky. In 1973, he received a Degree in Business Administration with High Distinction from the University of Kentucky, where he was a Student Senator and member of Beta Gamma Sigma. At the same time, Pierce commissioned as a Second Lieutenant through the University of Kentucky Army ROTC program as a Distinguished Military Student, Distinguished Military Graduate, Reserve Officer Association Award winner, and Cadet Battalion Commander. Pierce is a 1977 graduate of the University of Kentucky College of Law and a 1986 graduate of the University of Virginia College of Law Army JAG School.

Pierce served the majority of his military time through the rank of Captain in a Military Intelligence Detachment (MID). He is both a Certified Tactical Intelligence Officer and a Counter-Intelligence Officer. He was the Distinguished Graduate of the U.S. Army Military Intelligence Officer Course for 1977-1978, ending his service as JAG Officer for an Army Training Brigade.

For the past 37 years, Pierce has practiced law with the firm of Landrum & Shouse in Lexington, as a litigator. He has tried cases at every level of State and Federal Court throughout Central and Eastern Kentucky ranging from personal injury, wrongful death, product liability to medical and legal malpractice. He has also defended municipalities and law enforcement in multiple civil rights and pursuit cases, and has been lead trial counsel for many insurance companies in Bad Faith litigation throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Most recently, he was appointed by Order of Multiple Courts to serve as Trial Commissioner or Special Master in multiple mass tort litigation throughout Eastern Kentucky.

In addition, Pierce has also served, and continues to serve, as an Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Kentucky College of Law. For the past 35 years, he has taught *Litigation Skills*, a course in trial work, and *Negotiations* to seniors at the College of Law. In 2006, Pierce was inducted into the University of Kentucky College of Law Hall of Fame and was the 2013 recipient of the Kentucky Bar Association Service to Young Lawyers Award.

Pierce is a trained and certified Mediator. He has mediated over 7500 large civil and medical malpractice cases. In 2014, he was named Best Lawyer for Mediation in Lexington by Best Lawyers in America. Pierce has been listed as a Top 50 Lawyer in Kentucky since 2009 by Kentucky Super Lawyers, who rate attorneys on an annual basis. Both in 2012 and 2015, he was listed as a Top 10 Kentucky Lawyer. He is an AV rated trial lawyer in Martindale-Hubbell, and has been so for over 20 years. Pierce served as President of the Fayette County Bar Association in 2014 – 2015 and is a member of the Kentucky Supreme Court Veterans Court Committee.

Pierce and his wife, Sandy, reside in Lexington and have three of the most beautiful children in the world.