

HON. STEPHEN M. BLOOM
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE (Part-Time)

APPOINTED: October 1, 1988 (part-time)

BACKGROUND:

Born June 10, 1948 in San Francisco, California.

EDUCATION:

Dartmouth College, 1966-1968 (Dean's list)

Stanford University, B.A., 1968-1970 (Dean's list)

California State University, Sacramento, Master's program with emphasis in School Finance and Business Administration, 1973

Willamette University, JD, 1977 (Dean's List, Semifinalist in Moot Court, Member of Willamette Law Journal)

PRIOR EXPERIENCE:

General law practice. Initially trial attorney dealing with personal injury, business, and real property. Since appointment as a part-time U.S. Magistrate Judge, practice has focused on water law representing irrigation districts and irrigators. Also responsibility in firm for the Uniform Commercial Code, compliance with business filings for agricultural lenders and borrowers, advising businesses in debtor-creditor relations, representing banks and insurance companies in foreclosures, etc., and representing local community college and education institutions with regard to legal issues. Joined Kottkamp & O'Rourke, LLP in 1981 and became a partner in 1983.

BAR / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Professional Liability Fund, Director (2000 - present)

Formerly a Member of the Oregon State Bar, Disciplinary Board, Chairperson Region 1

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton, Member of Ethics Committee

Formerly a Member of the Local Professional Responsibility Board

Formerly a Member of Oregon State Bar Litigation Section, Executive Committee

Formerly Pro Tem Tribal Judge, Confederated Umatilla Tribes

Formerly a Board Member E.S.D., Pendleton (1982-1989)

Formerly Director and President, Pendleton Rotary Club

Formerly a Member of the City of Pendleton Tax Committee

Formerly Pro Tem Municipal Judge, Pilot Rock

Formerly Pro Tem Municipal Judge, Milton Freewater, Oregon