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I. Honors

- a. Listed in Best Lawyers of America under Criminal Law 1981 - present
- b. Listed in Best Lawyers in Ohio 2000 - Present
- c. Listed in Ohio Super Lawyers 2000 - Present
- d. Board Certified and re-certified in field of Criminal Law by the National Board of Legal Specialty Certification (One of few in the country), 1988 - Present
- e. Fellow of the American Board of Criminal Lawyers, 2005 - Present
- f. Appointed to Governor's Task Force on Prison and Jail Crowding, 1989
- g. Chairman, Ohio Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, 1990
- h. President, Ohio Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, 1989
- i. Vice-President, Montgomery County Trial Lawyers Association, 1989-1990
- j. Chairman, Criminal Justice Committee of the Ohio State Bar Association, 1989-1991
- k. Board of Trustees of Montgomery County Trial Lawyers, 1990- Present
- l. Acting Judge - Oakwood Municipal Court - 1990
- m. Listed in The National Directory of Criminal Lawyers
- n. Board of Governors, The Ohio State University, College of Humanities-HUMAS - 1993-1996
- o. Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory's highest accolade: an AV rating.
- P Appeared on the Phil Donahue show 1996
- q. Appeared on Court T.V., 1997 - 2009
- r. Appeared on Dateline NBC, 1999 and 2000
- s. Appeared on American Justice, 2005
- t. Appeared on 48 Hours, 2005
- u. Appeared as a T.V. Commentator on the acclaimed PBS Fred Friendly Series
- v. Member of Committee Setting Standards for Board Certification for the Ohio State Bar Association by appointment of the President, 1999
- w. Vice President, American Board of Criminal Lawyers, 2009 - 2013;
- x. Treasurer, American Board of Criminal Lawyers, 2014 - 2015
- y. Listed in The National Trial Lawyers Top 100 Trial Lawyers 2010-Present
- z. Recipient of the 2015 Martin Luther King Presidential Award from Southern Christian Leadership Conference
- aa. Recipient of Commendation Certificate from The State of Ohio, House of Representatives 2016
- bb. President, American Board of Criminal Lawyers, 2017

II. Current Professional Memberships

Dayton Bar Association, Ohio State Bar Association, California Defense Lawyer's Association, Ohio Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (life member), Montgomery County Trial Lawyers Association, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (life member), American Board of Criminal Lawyers, National Trial Lawyers

III. Bars Admitted

Ohio State Bar, United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, United States Supreme Court

IV. Practiced by Permission - Pro Hac Vice

Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Vermont, Washington, and West Virginia

V. Lectures

Over 40 lectures to lawyers for the Ohio State Bar Association, Ohio Public Defenders, Ohio Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Ohio Judicial Conference at Akron, Athens, Columbus, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Toledo, and Dayton

VI. Writings

Superintendence Rule for Ohio Regarding Qualifications Required for Attorneys in Death Penalty Cases

Published numerous articles in Dayton Bar Briefs

Quarterly Column in Vindicator, publication of the Ohio Association of Criminal Lawyers
- published in excess of 30 articles

VII. Degrees Earned

- a. Bachelor's Degree, The Ohio State University 1965 - Philosophy Major
- b. Doctor of Jurisprudence, University of Toledo 1969

VIII. Career History

- a. Rion, Rion & Rion, L.P.A., Inc., was founded by Paul W. Rion in 1938, John H. Rion's Father, and Jon Paul Rion's Grandfather. The Firm has continued to serve clients for over 80 years, through three generations.
- b. Partner, Rion, Rion & Rion Co., L.P.A. 1969-1987
- c. President, John H. Rion & Associates 1988 - 1998
95% Criminal Law
- d. Rion, Rion and Rion, L.P.A., Inc. 1998-present
- e. Over 300 career Felony Jury Trials.
- f. Examined thousands of witnesses in over 750 serious motions to suppress / dismiss

IX. Career Related Activities

- a. Co-Chairman and Co-Author of Rule 20 Committee of the Rules of Superintendence for the Courts of Ohio prescribing qualifications for attorneys in Death Penalty cases.
- b. Examiner for National Board of Trial Advocacy