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Anthony J. Paris, Attorney at Law

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Tony Paris originally joined SXA in 1985 in our general practice attorney category. He remained an active member until 1992 when he was elected to the position of Family Court Judge. After his election he was made an Honorary Member until the end of 2020 when he retired as a NYS Supreme Court Justice and returned to private practice. He has now returned to active membership status and replaces Peter Baum.

Tony was born, raised, and educated in Syracuse. He graduated from Christian Brothers Academy in 1966, received his BA from SU in 1970, and his Juris Doctorate from the SU College of Law in 1973. During law school he served as Deputy Law Clerk in the Onondaga County Family Court, and upon graduation from law school became an Associate with the law firm of Williams, Micale & Wells. From 1977 to 1989 he served as an Assistant District Attorney for Onondaga County, and in 1982 he established his own private practice handling such diverse matters as personal injury, domestic relations, real estate, business and corporate transactions. In 1992, Tony was elected Onondaga County Family Court Judge, and in 1997 he was designated as an Acting Justice of the Supreme Court. In 1999, he was elected to a 14- year term as NYS Supreme Court Justice and re-elected in 2013.

Tony retired from the Supreme Court Bench in December 2020 and is now Special Counsel to the law firm of Costello, Cooney & Fearon, where he again is practicing in the areas of personal injury, residential and commercial real estate, matrimonial and domestic relations, DWI and traffic matters, contracts, business and corporate transactions, etc..

Costello, Cooney & Fearon was founded over 125 years ago and is a full-service law firm with offices in Syracuse, Cazenovia and Albany. It is a mid-sized law firm and the attorneys provide counsel to individuals as well as major corporations, small businesses, insurance companies, banks, school districts, municipal entities and health care organizations. The firm also represents individuals in personal injury claims, estate and trust matters, contract disputes and real estate matters.

He would appreciate referrals in any of these areas.