

As a lawyer who has “retired” from several posts, only to “rewire” and move on to the next stage in my life, I found *Second Acts* to be an invaluable resource that I would have utilized as I made these transitions in my own life. It provides practical guidance for lawyers who contemplate transitioning from practicing law to doing something else, and those who are just looking for a change. This book is a blueprint for planning and enjoying your second, or even third, act!

*Karen Mathis, Past President ABA, former National President Big Brothers Big Sisters of America”*

Retirement is not one size fits all, a spectator sport or a spontaneous event. Lawyers need this book to construct a personally successful retirement.

*Bob Zupkus, Colorado, past chair of the ABA General Practice, Solo & Small Firm Division and enjoying retirement*

Definitely an invaluable resource! This book provides practical and useful guidance for lawyers who contemplate transitioning from practicing law to retirement or those who’re just looking for a change. The publication is a vade mecum for funding your life, following your passion, and deciding when it’s time. It is a fantastic book that you will refer to often. I highly recommend this resource!

*David H. Lefton, Ohio. Chair ABA GPSolo 2017*

So many lawyers are looking for a life after law – what a great resource this is! If you are thinking of making a transition, listen to the wisdom of the authors of this book. Here, you will find a roadmap (and yes, there are always potholes!) for funding your new life, rediscovering your new life, and knowing when the time is right to make your move.

*Sharon D. Nelson, President, Sensei Enterprises, Inc., Past President, Virginia State Bar*

Lawyers of “a certain age” discuss slowing down or doing something different, often not doing anything until health or other external forces impel change, which is not ideal for anyone. *Second Acts* provides valuable guidance for financial aspects of retirement as well as inspirational stories from those joyously in their second, or third, acts such as the lawyer who obtained a private pilot’s license at 68 or one who earned a merchant marine captain’s license even later in life. *Second Acts* helps you plan and contemplate the possibility that something great awaits you.

*Jim Calloway, Director of the Oklahoma Bar Association Management Assistance Program*

No matter your age, this book is written for you. I know, because it is written for the me that—at the age of 40—planned to retire at 50. And for the me's at 45, 50 and 55 who said, "well maybe in another 5 years." And the current me—about to be 59 and still litigating. This book has given me the guidance I needed to create my plan. It will do the same for you.

*Andrew C. Simpson, U.S. Virgin Islands*

No two lawyers interpret "retirement" the same. This book lays out the various "definitions" and options available to you. The most challenging part of the consideration is when and how to retire; another challenge is whether your family is part of the thought process. This book will start you on the path toward the many thoughts you need to consider, including the "when," before you "slow down," "hang it up," or otherwise declare yourself off the main track of accepting new matters.

*Ed Poll, California, LawBiz® Management*

A group of very talented lawyers have worked hard to put together a lot of practical information on all aspects of "retirement." Whether you are retired, thinking about retiring or dealing with a lawyer in the office who should be thinking about retiring, this book is for you. Covering numerous topics, this book has something for everyone and definitely something for you.

*John P. Macy, Managing Partner, Municipal Law & Litigation Group, S.C., Member, State Bar of Wisconsin Senior Lawyer Division Executive Board*

All a lawyer needs for retirement is awareness, common sense and a plan. That is the central theme of this excellent guide for lawyers at or near the age of separating from the profession. Editor Jennifer J. Rose has assembled a first rate team of legal practitioners to tackle this theme with provocative, yet practical ideas in accessible and engaging writing. Well recommended!"

*Elio F. Martinez, Jr., Florida*

Deciding if and when to retire from practicing law is a real struggle for most lawyers – particularly those in small firms. This practical book addresses the sticky issues – from financial concerns to the problem of cognitive decline. It also offers realistic alternatives to law practice for lawyers who still have an enthusiasm for work. It's never too soon to start thinking about what your second act will be.

*Courtney Troutman Director, Practice Management Assistance Program, South Carolina Bar, since 2002*