

NADJI WHITE REYNOLDS

I was born in Howell, Michigan on July 31, 1936. I graduated from high school in 1954 as valedictorian. In September of 1955 I entered the Business Education and Secretarial Studies program at Michigan State University. After finishing the program in 1957 I interviewed for and got a Junior Secretary position in the office of D. B. Varner, Vice President of Off-Campus Education. When Mr. Varner was appointed Chancellor of Michigan State University Oakland in 1959, I was his Executive Assistant until 1965. From 1965 until 1981 I completed my B.A. degree in History at Wayne State University (WSU), graduating Phi Beta Kappa while raising my two children. In 1981 I also completed the Legal Assistant certificate program at Oakland University.

I worked as a free-lance Legal Assistant until 1984 when I joined Detroit Public Television (DPTV) as Manager of Contracts and Copyright. I completed a Master's degree in Library Science at WSU in 1990 with the hope of securing a position in a law library. That did not materialize, but I left DPTV to work in the library of Campbell-Ewald Advertising Agency. I was laid off after six months and went back to DPTV as an Assistant in the office of the President and General Manager. In 1995 I was promoted to Executive Assistant to the President and General Manager until retirement in 2005. Retirement didn't last long as I took a part-time position as an Assistant in the offices of James B. Nicholson and James M. Nicholson, President and Vice President of PVS Chemicals until again retiring in 2014.

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