

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

WILLIAM L. HEGARTY, JD

Deputy Director, Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist
Board

William L. Hegarty is originally from Hagaman, New York and lived all over the East Coast as his father was in the US Marine Corps. In 1984 Bill was named as a Parliamentary Intern in the British House of Commons, London, England where he was the principle assistant to a Member of Parliament working on European Union issues. Bill graduated in 1986 from The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. with a bachelor of arts in Political Science/International Relations. He earned his Juris Doctorate from Emory University School of Law in Atlanta, Georgia in 1990. Bill is licensed to practice law in Georgia, in all US military courts and the United States Court of Military Review.

Upon graduating law school, Bill was commissioned in the United States Air Force where he served as a Judge Advocate General. He was stationed for three years in Oxfordshire, Great Britain where he was responsible for criminal litigation, administrative actions, and environmental compliance. He also served as an official U.S. Trial Observer in the British Magistrates Court. In 1993, Captain Hegarty was stationed at Scott Air Force Base outside of St. Louis, Missouri, where he was responsible for all administrative hearings and case preparation. He retired as a Major from the US Air Force Reserves in 2012 after serving for 22 years.

Bill moved to Columbus in December 1994 and began working for the Ohio Department of Administrative Services as a Minority Business Contract Compliance Officer. Bill became the Investigative Supervisor of the Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board in August 1996 where he is responsible for a staff of two investigators. Bill manages the numerous complaints the Board receives, assigns investigations to individual staff, carries his own caseload, routinely makes presentations to national associations, educational institutions and private agencies with regard to ethics in the fields of counseling and social work, and, working with the Assistant Attorney General, prepares cases for administrative hearings. He also is responsible for all public records requests and answers questions with regards to ethical concerns. He was promoted to Deputy Director in December 2003.