

Dana Stamps

Dana Stamps has been a practicing attorney in the Dayton area for the past thirty-three years. He was born in 1949 and graduated from Northridge High School in 1967. While at NHS, Dana played football three years (won scholar athlete award sophomore year), was a student council member for five years, Class President his senior year, editor of the yearbook, and was on the track team (broke the long jump record). He began his working career at Goodyear in 1967. He entered the National Guard in 1972. In 1968, he enrolled at Wright State and made the dean's list every quarter. He graduated in 1972 with a BA in political science. He then went on to the University of Dayton School of Law, where he earned a Juris Doctor in 1972. He was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1977.

After obtaining his real estate license, Dana owned and operated Stamps Realty from 1972 to 1976, while attending WSU and UD. From 1979 until 1985, he served as an Assistant Montgomery County Prosecutor. As such, he was a team leader and Director of the Fraud Division, where he was honored by senior citizens after successfully prosecuting criminals who defrauded seniors of their life savings.

In 1987, Dana successfully ran for the position of Montgomery County Auditor. He returned over half a million dollars in real estate taxes to local schools and government entities and recovered over \$400,000 for the County General Fund.

In 1991, Dana gave up elective office and started his own law practice. In 2007, he added his son Eric's name to the shingle, which now reads Stamps and Stamps Law Office.

As a community member, Dana coached Little League baseball (1977-1986), coached Little League soccer (1984), was a member of the Kiwanis Club of Vandalia (1974-1980), and was Director of Royal Ambassadors for the First Baptist Church of Vandalia.

Besides Eric, who was born in 1973, Dana and Linda have two other sons: Shawn, born in 1970, and Joshua, born in 1977. When he married Robin in 1997, he gained two step-children. He has three grandsons and one granddaughter.

"My thoughts on becoming successful are 1) have integrity; 2) give 100% at all times; 3) surround yourself with good, loyal, and industrious people; 4) most important of all, seek God's counsel every day. The most important worldly influences in my life were my Dad, who always told me that a man is only as good as his word; my Grandpa, who worked hard everyday but never on Sunday; my younger brother Rick, who is one of the best self-made men I have ever known; my kids, who make me proud every day that they exemplify what good, hard-working, honest people they are; my sisters, who have undergone much adversity but still laugh and work hard and help others, and my wife, who is always there to push me. There are too many more people to put in this space."