

*Curriculum Vitae of*  
**CATHERINE L . WOLFE, ESQ.**

“Catherine Wolfe is a wonderful speaker. The Association of Certified Cruelty Investigators (ACCI) has had her Speak at our Level II training class...

“Ms. Wolfe is highly educated and experienced in fighting animal cruelty, and is a superb speaker, presenter, and instructor.”

I have read her book, Get the Edge in Fighting Animal Cruelty Cases. She is a great author...”

- **Mitzi O’Dell**  
President  
Association of Certified Cruelty  
Investigators

- **Terrence “Terry” MacKillop**  
“Animal Control Officer of the Year” – National Animal Control Association (2007);  
Michigan Association of  
Animal Control Officers  
(Vice President)

**PROFESSION:**

**Animal Cruelty Investigation Instructor:**

*Association of Certified Cruelty Investigators (ACCI)*

I taught the Level II certification courses (fall 2007 and, spring 2008) which included instruction on search and seizure, writing investigative reports, search warrant requests, and search warrants, collecting evidence, interviewing and interrogating witnesses, testifying, and conducting media relations.

**Lawyer:**

*Law Office of Catherine L. Wolfe, PLC*

Sole Practitioner, September 1, 2002 – Present

As a sole practitioner, my practice covers many different areas including animal law, civil rights, real estate, employment law, business/commercial, contracts, probate, and estate planning. My clients include numerous animal shelters, animal rescue groups, and animal sanctuaries, as well as individual animal control officers. I also represent numerous individuals with animal-related legal issues.

***Gerberding & Wolfe, PLC***

Partner, 2001 – August 30, 2002

As a partner, my practice was general and covered a variety of areas including animal law, business/commercial, employment law, contracts, real estate, probate, and estate planning.

***McKay & McKay***

Partner, 1997 – 2001

As a partner, my practice included many different areas such as business/commercial, real estate, domestic relations, probate, and estate planning.

***The Honorable Gene Schnelz, Circuit Court Judge, Oakland County***

Judicial Research Attorney, 1985 – 1997

As a Judicial Research Attorney I observed court proceedings, counseled the Judge in making his decisions, and wrote his judicial opinions. In the 12 ½ years that I worked for the Judge we handled all types of cases including medical malpractice, business/commercial, contracts, real estate, employment law, and libel and slander. Several of my opinions were published nationally, including one concerning Health Maintenance Organizations that was quoted in The Wall Street Journal.

**FOUNDER:**

**Wolfe Pack Press, Inc.**

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I established Wolfe Pack Press, Inc., a non-profit corporation, to prevent animal cruelty through education. Wolfe Pack Press, Inc. develops and markets products to educate people (including law enforcement officials, animal control officers, and humane/rescue organizations) about how to identify and prosecute animal cruelty cases.

**POSITIONS:**

**Founder/CEO** – Wolfe Pack Press, Inc., 2006 - Present

**Chairperson** – State Bar of Michigan, Animal Law Section, 1999–2000

**Trustee** – Board of Trustees, Michigan Animal Rescue League, 1991-1992

**PRESENTATIONS/CLASSES:**

**Colorado Association of Animal Control Officers (CAACO 2009 Annual Conference)**

“The Difference You Make” (Keynote Speech)  
“Collecting, Selecting, and Presenting Evidence”  
“Persuading Prosecutors, Judges, and Juries”

**Association of Certified Cruelty Investigators (ACCI 2008 Level II Certification)**

“Investigating Animal Cruelty Cases”

**Association of Certified Cruelty Investigators (ACCI 2007 Level II Certification)**

“Evidence 101”  
“Case Studies”  
“Collecting, Selecting, and Presenting Evidence”  
“Persuading Prosecutors, Judges, and Juries”

**National Animal Control Association (NACA 2007 National Conference)**

“Evidence 101”  
“Case Studies”

**National Animal Control Association (NACA 2006 National Conference)**

“Collecting, Selecting, and Presenting Evidence”  
“Persuading Prosecutors, Judges, and Juries”

**National Animal Control Association (NACA 2005 National Conference)**

“Working with Prosecutors to Win More Cases”

**Michigan Humane Society (MHS 2005 Animal Welfare Conference)**

“Animal Cruelty” Laws

**Michigan Association of Animal Control Organization (MAACO 2007 Fall Conference)**

“Evidence 101”  
“Case Studies”

**Northern Michigan Alliance for Animal Welfare**

“Operating a Rescue League/Shelter”

**The Cherry Land Humane Society**

“Pet Law”  
“Animal Cruelty: Identifying and Dealing With It”

**Benzie Shores District Library**

“Pet Law”

**PUBLICATIONS:**

“Animals Are ‘Property’ Under the Law,” NACA News, Vol. 31, No. 4, July/August 2008

“Expert Witness – You Are It!” NACA News, Vol. 31, No. 4, July/August 2008

“How to Charge Animal Cruelty,” NACA News, Vol. 31, No. 4, July/August 2008

***Get the Edge in Fighting Animal Cruelty Cases***, Wolfe Pack Press, Inc.  
(2006)

The definitive book on how to most effectively collect, select, and present evidence to obtain a criminal conviction, and maximum sentence in animal cruelty cases.

**Teaching Manual for Level II Certification by The Association of Certified Cruelty Investigators – 2007 (Co-Authored with ACCI)**

The manual is used for Level II certification instruction by The Association of Certified Cruelty Investigators.

“Saving Local Shelters,” NACA News, Vol. 27, No. 3, May/June 2004

**“Dispelling the Notion that Hunting is Necessary to Control Wildlife Populations,”** Animal Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan Newsletter, Spring, 2000

**“Judge Orders 3 Dogs Killed Then Admits He Erred,”** Animal Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan Newsletter, Spring, 2000

**“Companion Animal Trusts,”** Animal Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan Newsletter, Spring, 2000, co-author Ginny Mikita

**“The Realities of “No Kill” Shelters,”** Animal Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan Newsletter, Summer, 2000

**“Forfeiture Law Aids Shelters When Collectors/Hoarders Are Busted,”** Animal Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan Newsletter, Summer, 2000

**“Protecting Pets,”** Benzie County Record Patriot

**“Pets are Not Disposable Commodities,”** Benzie County Record Patriot

**“Spay and Neuter Your Pets,”** Benzie County Record Patriot

**EDUCATION:**

**University of Detroit School of Law, J.D., 1980-1984**

**Michigan State University, B.S. in Fisheries and Wildlife Biology, 1975-1979**

**Colorado State University, 1973-1975**

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