



Daniel P. Collins '80, '83

Has been elected to membership in the

Beta Phi Hall of Honor

Class of 2019

Brother Daniel P. Collins, who worked his way through college by hashing at sororities, has distinguished himself with a seat on the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Arizona and affiliation with numerous law and civic organizations.

He was born in Rochester, Minnesota, on Oct. 4, 1958, one of six children. His family moved to Phoenix in 1959, and he attended Brophy College Preparatory. He decided to enroll at the UA because "It was obviously the best university in Arizona." He joined Sigma Chi as a senior because many of his best friends and some of the top leaders, athletes, and scholars on campus were Sigs.

He paid for his school expenses by working as a phone operator at Graham Hall and hashing at Alpha Phi, Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Chi Omega. His activities on the UA campus included Bobcats, Speaker's Board, and chief of the Student Government Supreme Court.

He graduated with a bachelor's degree in finance and accounting in 1980 and from UA College of Law in 1983.

Brother Collins began his career with a Phoenix law firm and later became a shareholder of a firm that carried his name. He practiced in bankruptcy, commercial litigation, and commercial transactions. Before long he was appointed a judge on the U.S. Bankruptcy Court. He was sworn in by his Beta Phi Chapter advisor Stephen M. McNamee, who is now Senior U.S. District Judge.

In 2017 he was awarded the St. Thomas More Award for demonstrating "one's faith in their work and daily life" and for his work promoting the legal profession. He is active in several boards of directors and is a member of the UA law school's Board of Visitors, which brings together attorneys, judges, business leaders, and prominent professionals to hear about the latest developments at the law school.

Brother Collins also is active in civic affairs, including Tumbleweeds Runaway Shelter Valley Leadership, St. Theresa Parish Campaign board, and coaching of youth sports for 15 years. He is a guest speaker and regular attendee at Phoenix Sigma Chi Alumni gatherings.

Brother Collins is married to Roseanne, a 1990 graduate of the UA medical school, and they have five children.

Of his Sigma Chi experience, Brother Collins said, "The camaraderie and depth of friendship I found at Sigma Chi made a lifelong impression on me. I have also come to realize that, as I have moved along in my career and have met Sigs from across the country, there is a special bond that Sigma Chis share. Once you are a Sig you will find a special affinity for other Sigs, no matter which campus they came from."