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Earlier in his career, Howard was a Trial Attorney in the Tax Division of the United States Department of Justice, where he won an Outstanding Attorney Award in 1983.

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