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WBZ NewsRadio 1030 Announces Neil Chayet “Looking at the Law™” Retirement

National Legal Commentator Neil Chayet Hangs Up His Broadcast Shingle After 42 Years
BOSTON, MA, JUNE 22, 2017 -- You may have heard the name or chuckled at one of his puns, but you certainly recognize the signature tag line of “This is Neil Chayet – Looking at the Law!” This month will mark the retirement of Neil Chayet’s famously popular “Looking at the Law™” radio feature after a nearly 42-year broadcast career on radio stations all across the country.

WBZ NewsRadio 1030 and Neil Chayet jointly announced his retirement today, having created more than 10,000 episodes of the daily radio feature that examined court decisions from all around the world and condensed each into a 60-second script. The segment aired daily on WBZ NewsRadio 1030 and on CBS RADIO news stations across the country.

“While there is an endless supply of court cases and material to continue, ‘Looking at the Law™’ for years to come, I feel that 42 years is the right number for me and it leaves more time to continue the other passions I’ve worked on tirelessly over the years,” said Chayet.

Although Neil has certainly earned his retirement, he wants his “Looking at the Law™” family to know that he is fighting an aggressive cancer and being treated at Massachusetts General Hospital.

“Looking at the Law™”, Neil Chayet’s signature opening and closing line, intoned and stretched as only Neil can do, has brought enjoyment to millions of listeners for over four decades on CBS RADIO stations and affiliates, including the worldwide Armed Forces Network. This remarkable program translates complex and lengthy legal decisions into short segments that are interesting, entertaining and always end with a twist. Chayet still has the first script he ever wrote.

“Neil has never missed an opportunity for a pun in 42 years,” said Former Massachusetts Governor, William Weld.

“You can hear an audible chuckle coming from cars all over New England as they listen to Neil on WBZ,” added Peter Casey, WBZ Director of News & Programming.

Starting at the old WEEI 590 AM, Boston’s then owned and operated CBS RADIO all-news radio station, Neil began an adventure he could not have imagined would continue every weekday with well over 10,000 scripts researched, written, recorded, broadcast and archived. Chayet has collected many fans and friends in the legal community over the years through “Looking at the Law™.”

Outside of a long radio career and legal practice, Neil has served on many Boards and at institutions such as McLean Hospital, where Neil is on the Faculty of the Harvard Medical School. He is also active in the Massport Security Advisory Council.



“Having reported on conflicts that ended up in the courts for 42 years, I have concluded that many of these epic legal battles never had to happen,” said Chayet. “My work will now focus on helping people prevent interpersonal problems from escalating, and I hope to distill my philosophy into a book that mirrors the 13-week course I taught at Tufts University last year,” he added.

“It has been a privilege to be a part of the CBS RADIO family. I cannot fathom how many people have helped in making it possible for me to be on the air for 42 years, but I want to thank each and every one of them,” said Chayet.

A native Bostonian, a graduate of Tufts and Harvard Law School, Neil lives in Salem MA with his wife, Martha, who considers herself “Neil’s biggest fan and his most enduring critic”. They have two cats, Dolley and Madison, and Neil has three children and five grandchildren.

There is no peer or parallel for the volume, quality and subtle messages which Neil has achieved in broadcasting the show for four decades. Chayet will be joining Dan Rea’s “Nightside” program tonight at 8:00 p.m. on WBZ NewsRadio 1030.

Podcasts of Looking at the Law are available on [Play.it](#) and at <http://www.lookingatthelaw.com/>.

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