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“All my life, I’ve always had a love of the art of medicine. I had the dream of becoming a physician, more specifically, a surgeon. Early in college, I had the great opportunity to work on a Surgical Service at a large teaching hospital in Houston, TX. As I tore up charts and attended rounds, I was captivated by the precision and skill of the surgeons, especially the work of the foot and ankle surgeons. I was enthralled by the complexity of their work and the obvious impact of their interventions on patients’ quality of life. So I decided to go to podiatry school and, ultimately, become a foot and ankle surgeon.”

What inspired you to pursue a career in foot and ankle surgery?

“Everything about the field of foot and ankle surgery intrigued me. I was fascinated by the science of bone, tendons, ligaments, and ligaments. I wanted to be able to help people who were in pain, to help them walk comfortably again.”

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