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## AWARENESS – DEDICATION - PERSERVERANCE

# **PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

Independent, pro-active <u>dispute resolution practice</u> focused on litigated personal injury, real estate transaction, contract and agent/broker disputes, professional negligence, partnership dissolution, family law and adult children/elder care issues.

<u>20+ years of California Superior Court settlement conference</u> service and continuing training in mediation, arbitration and other alternative dispute resolution options.

<u>Thirty+ years of civil trial and litigation practice</u> in California, with emphasis on insurance defense for carriers of professional negligence (dental malpractice, legal malpractice, broker/agent liability); auto and general business lines (personal injury and construction defect); sports and recreation venue and non-profit entity defense, including extended care facilities.

## MEDIATION EXPERIENCE AND PREPARATION

. Litigation and trial counsel, with particular expertise in trial preparation, expert witness examination and pre-trial motion practice, insight and analysis of likely trial outcome . Coordination with parties, counsel and carriers for successful mediated resolution of a broad range of claims and legal issues

. Participation in and facilitation of hundreds of successful Court-ordered pre-trial Mandatory Settlement Conference sessions.

#### APPEARANCES AND JURISDICTIONS

- . In the Superior Courts of California, including counties of Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, San Diego, Riverside, Kern, Sacramento, Yolo, Placer, El Dorado, Solano, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced, Alameda, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Marin, Tuolumne, Fresno, Sutter, Yuba, Colusa, Butte, Tehama, and Shasta
- . In the Federal Courts of the Northern District and Eastern District of the United States District Courts, and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
- . In the First and Third Appellate Districts of the California Courts of Appeal
- . Client representation in hearings before the California State Personnel Board and WCAB

#### **ORGANIZATION & COMMUNICATION**

- Training, experience and advanced skill in remote appearance technology
- ° Internet savvy: federal court and bankruptcy PACER ; Court of Appeal and county government court and agency websites for general investigation and research
- 10 years of Radio Broadcast experience: entertainment, news and public affairs

### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

#### LAW OFFICES

- Hollingshead & Associates/Law Office of Patrick J. Campbell:
- Insurance defense (general business lines) personal injury and construction defect LeVangie Law Firm:
  - Extended care facility defense; non-profit organization defense
- <u>Goodman & Associates</u>:

Professional malpractice (legal, broker/agent), real estate transaction disputes, plaintiff and defendant representation

- Donahue, Bates, Blakemore & Mackey:

Insurance defense litigation: auto and property lines, personal injury - Erickson, Arbuthnot, Kilduff, Day & Lindstrom, Inc.:

Insurance defense: litigation construction defect, general business coverage - Murphy, Pearson, Bradley & Feeney:

Insurance defense litigation: professional negligence: legal, dental, and real estate broker/agent liability

- Hewitt & Prout, Sacramento office:

Insurance defense litigation: professional negligence: legal, dental, government entity and sports venue liability

#### BROADCASTING AND OTHER

- California Licensed Realtor, agent with various brokers
- McElroy Communications Public Relations, program development, Sacramento, CA
- Radio Stations KKSA, KQPT and KZAP: Station News Director-Program producer
- California Farm Bureau Federation: Radio Program Producer, Director, Narrator
- Radio Stations KROY-KSAC/Sacramento, KMAK/Fresno, KRIJ, KFMF/Chico: On Air DJ,
- News Director, Public Affairs Director, Special Programs Producer

-Service to the PCUSA: Presbytery of Sacramento as Judicial Council member, moderator, Commissioner to General Assembly; Commissioner to Synod of the Pacific

## EDUCATION/CERTIFICATION

University of California, San Diego, Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology/Biology

Lincoln Law School of Sacramento, Juris Doctorate

Admitted to appear before the California Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal and Federal District Courts

3<sup>rd</sup> DCA Appellate Mediator Training - Certification

Mediator Certification - 40 hour training - American Institute of Mediation, Santa Monica, California

Elder Issues Mediation Training/Certification - 40 hour program - Dana Curtis Mediation

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