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**PROFESSIONAL  
EXPERIENCE:**

**Professional Neutral/Arbitrator and Mediator.**

Over twenty years of experience in arbitration and mediation, as an advocate and thereafter as a neutral. Since 1993, selected to serve as arbitrator or mediator in over 600 matters. Service as one of three arbitrators in 34 large, complex, international or domestic commercial matters, including 10 as panel chair. Numerous reasoned awards issued as sole arbitrator and service in more than 10 class arbitrations. Appointed Discovery Master by Los Angeles Superior Court, Settlement Master by the U.S.D.C.

Subjects handled in arbitration and mediation include: all types of employment matters including statutory and contractual claims; construction defects litigation; complex commercial cases including insurance coverage, partnership disputes, computer contracts and intellectual property issues, purchase and sale of businesses, and contractual relationships of many types, including entertainment ventures, motion picture financing, franchise and real estate contracts; legal and lending malpractice; physician and hospital disputes; defamation; broker/dealer disputes involving customer claims of churning and inappropriate investments.

Service as a neutral since 1993 on the American Arbitration Association Commercial Panel, Employment Panel since 1995, the Large Complex Panel (LCCP) since 1996, and the NRE (National Research Exchange) Panel since 2005. CPR Institute for Dispute Resolution, Los Angeles Regional, Employment and Nationwide Panels. Member, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. Currently serving as settlement officer for the U.S. District Court, Central District of California and the Santa Barbara Superior Court; served previously for the Los Angeles Superior Court. Frequent speaker and teacher on ADR topics.

March 1996-  
March 1999

Of Counsel  
BIRD, MARELLA, BOXER & WOLPERT  
(Formerly BIRD, MARELLA, BOXER, WOLPERT & MATZ)  
Los Angeles, California

Business litigation in a variety of subject matter areas in state and federal courts, at trial and appellate levels, including: derivative, securities class action and

broker/dealer litigation, accountants' professional negligence defense, business torts, entertainment industry transactions, insurance bad faith, representation of guarantors and creditors in bankruptcy matters, antitrust, probate, contractual disputes, including contracts for goods and services, real property leases and lending agreements, partnership disputes, fraud, products liability and defamation claims. Representation of management in employment litigation and related matters, including investigation of allegations of harassment due to sex and sexual orientation.

August, 1992-  
March, 1996

BINGHAM McCUTCHEM LLP  
(formerly RIORDAN & MCKINZIE)  
Los Angeles, California  
Senior Litigation Principal

August 1974 -  
August, 1992

IRELL & MANELLA  
Los Angeles, California  
Partner from 1978

June 1971 -  
July 1974

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS LAW SCHOOL  
Lawrence, Kansas  
Assistant Professor and Associate Professor  
Faculty Director, Legal Aid Clinic

EDUCATION:

STANFORD UNIVERSITY - J.D. 1971  
Palo Alto, California  
Activities: Note Editor, Stanford Law Review,  
Legal Aid Society, Juvenile Defender Project,  
and indigent criminal representation.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY - A.B. 1968  
History (with distinction)

BAR MEMBERSHIPS:

Los Angeles, Santa Barbara and Ventura County Bar Associations  
American Bar Association  
The State Bar of California  
California Women Lawyers  
Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles  
Santa Barbara Women Lawyers  
Master, Wm. L. Gordon Inn of Court (Santa Barbara)  
The State Bar of Kansas (inactive)

OTHER

ACTIVITIES: Chair, 1992-1993, Section of Litigation, American Bar Association;  
Council, 1986-1989; other Section positions, 1981-1991; member, ABA House of  
Delegates, 1993-1998; member, Dispute Resolution Section; Senior Lawyers

Division, Chair ADR Committee, 2008 -

State Bar of California, Board of Legal Specialization, Labor and Employment Law Consulting Group, 1998

Member, The American Law Institute, 1993-

Member, College of Commercial Arbitrators, 2001- ; Board Member, 2008-

CPR Institute for Dispute Resolution, Los Angeles Regional Panel of Neutrals, 1996-1999, 2004- ; Employment Panel, 2011- ; Nationwide Panel, 2011- ; Fair Housing Panel, 1998-1999; Securities Panel, 1999

Member, Southern California Mediation Association, 2000-

Board member, Conflicts Solutions Center, 2011-

Member, California Dispute Resolution Council, Qualifications and Standards Committee, 2001-2002

California Judicial Council, 1990-1992; member, Advisory Committee on Implementation of Gender Bias Recommendations, 1991-1994

Volunteer mediator/arbitrator, Los Angeles Superior Court, 1994 -1999

Chair, Lawyers Support Committee, Los Angeles Legal Aid Foundation Annual Fund Drive, 1994-95

Los Angeles County Bar Association, ABA Relations Committee, 1991-1995 ; ADR Section, Executive Committee, 1994-1997

Board of Trustees, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, 1995-2004

Editorial Board, Western Legal History (1988); Ninth Judicial Circuit Historical Society, 2000-

Chair, ADR Committee, Santa Barbara Bar Association, 2006

Board of Directors, The Alliance for Children's Rights, 1993-1996

Board of Directors, Inner City Law Center, 1991-1996

Board of Visitors, Stanford Law School, 1986-1988; 1989-1991; Executive Committee, 1989-1991

Deputy General Counsel, Independent Commission on the Los Angeles Police Department, 1991

Lawyer Representative, Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference, 1986 & 1987, 1993-1995; alternate, 1992-1993

Faculty member, National Institute for Trial Advocacy, 1973, 1978- (national, regional, specialized and teacher training programs); Member, NITA Board of Trustees, 1991-2008; Chair, 2006-2008.

Committee on Women in the Law, State Bar of California, 1985-88, Chair, 1987-88

Board of Governors, Association of Business Trial Lawyers, 1982-1984

Board of Directors, Public Counsel, 1980-1983

## PUBLICATIONS

(Partial List) Business Litigation, California Civil Practice (6 vols.) (Thomson/West) (supplemented semiannually)

Contributing Author, The College of Commercial Arbitrators Guide to Best Practices in Commercial Arbitration JurisNet (2006)(2<sup>nd</sup> Ed. 2010)

Contributing Author, Alternative Dispute Resolution: The Litigator's Handbook (ABA Section of Litigation)(N. Atlas, S. Huber, E. Trachte-Huber, Eds.) (2000)

Book Review, Jurist (March, 1998)

Contributing Author, The Woman Advocate: Excelling in the 1990's (Prentice Hall Law & Business) (J. Snyder, A. Greene, Eds.) (1994)

Thinking About Mediation, Litigation (Summer 1993)

Why the Task Force on Children?, Litigation (Spring 1993)

Where Have all the Mentors Gone?, Litigation (Winter 1992)

Where are We Going Anyway?, Litigation (Fall 1992)

Women as Rainmakers, Litigation (Spring 1991)  
(with Jean Maclean Snyder and Robin Page West)

Endangered Species, Stanford Lawyer (Spring/Summer 1989)

Bar Watch, For Women Lawyers, It's Still an Uphill Climb, California Lawyer (Sept., 1987)

Women Under the Law: The Pedestal or the Cage?,  
43 Kan. B. J. 25 (1974)

Roe v. Wade: The Right of Privacy Revisited,  
21 Kan. L. Rev. 527 (1973) (with S.L. Kovar)

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