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## **EDUCATION**

Boalt Hall, University of California - JD 1979  
Order of the Coif  
Ecology Law Quarterly - Staff 1977-79  
Am. Jur. Awards - Civil Procedure, Torts

Member - California Bar  
Admitted - California - 9th Circuit - CD Cal.

University of Chicago - MAT 1971 - English/Education  
University of Michigan - AM 1968 - English



## **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

Mediator (self employed) 8-06 to present – volunteer for 3<sup>rd</sup> District, Stanislaus Superior Court, Mediation Center of San Joaquin

Lecturer – series on Mediation Skills – Humphreys College, Laurence Drivon School of Law 2007, 2008

CEO, Mediation Center of San Joaquin County, Stockton, California – 3-02 to 8-06

Former board member (1995-2002), hired as turnaround consultant. Increased revenues threefold in 12 months. Professionalized staff & facilities capacity. Upgraded program quality in all areas. Adopted 21<sup>st</sup> century technology – network, database, web presence, DSL access. Returned to board 2006-2007.

Teacher/Writer/Business Consultant/Attorney at Law (self employed) - 1-88 to 6-03

- \* Small business start-up advice (Small Business Development Center).
- \* Instructor of English Composition (San Joaquin Delta JC).
- \* Mediator and Mediation Trainer (Oakes & Associates). Volunteer and member of the Board of Directors for the Mediation Center of San Joaquin County.
- \* Author of numerous training and promotional videos for education and industry (Shell, Unocal). Script development and supervision of projects throughout production process.
- \* Screening, analysis, strategy, negotiations, due diligence and drafting for business start-ups, mergers and acquisitions, and real estate, energy and resource development projects.
- \* Advise regarding appropriate entity structures to best implement various business goals, draft organic documents (partnerships, corporations, ltd's., etc.) and fundamental documents (leases, purchase & sales, business plans for private offerings, etc.).
- \* Legal and strategic advice on employee matters, general management and litigation issues
- \* Legal and strategic advice on water marketing in California
- \* Legal and strategic advice on construction subcontracting
- \* Estate planning and other general personal legal advice

House Counsel - Catalyst Thermal Energy Systems, Irvine, California - 9-87 to 1-90

- \* Negotiating and drafting Thermal Energy Sale Agreements (utility-type contracts which form the basis of the Thermal subsidiary's business), Purchase and Sale agreements for heating systems and related documents.
- \* Member of Investment Committee charged with strategic planning, restructuring and financing.
- \* Negotiating and drafting settlements of construction, property and personnel disputes.
- \* Litigation management; general corporate reporting, licensing and administrative compliance; interface with regulatory agencies including FERC.

Assistant Professor, Business Law - University of the Pacific, Stockton, California - 9-81 to 9-87

Lecturer on general business law and ethics, commercial law for CPA's, securities regulation, personnel and labor law, alternative dispute resolution and estate planning.

Staff Attorney – Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, San Francisco, California 9-79 to 9-81

**ADDITIONAL  
TEACHING, ETC.  
EXPERIENCE**

National University - Stockton CA  
 Film & Society - April 1996  
 Oregon Inst. of Tech. - Klamath Falls OR  
 composition - 1974-75  
 Klamath Business College - Klamath Falls OR  
 general business courses - 1973-74  
 KLTA TV - Klamath Falls OR  
 copy writer and production assistant - 1972-73  
 Hinsdale High School South - Clarendon Hills IL  
 English and Title One enrichment program - 1970-71

**ADDITIONAL  
LEGAL  
EXPERIENCE**

Environmental Defense Fund - Berkeley CA  
 Intern - Fall 1978  
 Hanson, Bridgett, Marcus, Milne & Vlahos - San Fran. CA  
 Clerk - Summer 1978  
 Milton Nason, Attorney at Law - Berkeley CA  
 Clerk - part time 1977-78

**RESEARCH/  
WRITING**

Lawyers in Mediation – Introduction to differences between mediation and litigation to assist attorneys advising clients in mediation. CLE credit. Across the Bar  
 Lydia & Richard on Cartoon Island -- One hundred ESL lessons using a basic situation comedy structure (character, story, humor and music) to teach basic English vocabulary (1994 - 1995)  
 Turn Around -- Documentary video on design and construction of a state-of-the-art coal loading facility in Long Beach written for Metropolitan Stevedore (fall 1994)  
 Jurassic Plant -- Training video for independent contractors working in oil refineries written for Ultramar Refinery (fall 1993)  
 Crescent Wrench Caper -- Safety training video for independent contractors at an oil refinery written for Ultramar Refinery (spring 1993)  
 Open Doors to English -- Thirty-two ESL lessons teaching basic sentence structures for grade school and junior high level students written for Stage One and Like Productions (Summer 1992)  
 Business World -- computer simulation in development with joint venture partners from New York University -- beta version being reviewed by text book publisher (fall 1991)  
 Claustrophobia -- Training video covering OSHA confined space regulations -- written for Shell Oil Corp. (July 1991)  
 House Odds -- Training video covering air pollution control regulations -- written for Shell Oil Corp. (June 1991)  
 Chances Are -- Training video covering California Toxic Hot Spots legislation -- written for Shell Oil Corp. (May 1991)  
 The 75ppm Solution -- Training video covering effluent control regulations -- written for Shell Oil Corp. (February 1991)  
 To Live and Breathe in LA -- Training video covering air emission control regulations -- written for Shell Oil Corp. (November 1990)  
 Anatomy of a Bankruptcy -- manuscript reviewed by The Journal of Legal Studies Education (summer 1987 -- revisions and updating now needed)  
 Judicially Awarded Attorneys' Fee Awards -- Legal Studies Forum (Volume XII, Number 1, 1988)  
 Understanding Attorneys' Fees – presented at and included in the proceedings of the Western Business Law 1987 Annual Meeting  
 The Agency Game -- The Journal of Legal Education Studies (Spring, 1987)  
 Insider Trading Keeps Expanding -- The California Lawyer (November, 1986)  
 Insider Trading and the Disclosure Responsibility of the Securities Analyst -- presented at and included in the proceedings of the Western Business Law 1986 Annual Meeting

Business World: An Approach for Introducing Business and Society Courses -- working paper presented and included in the proceedings of the Western Business Law 1984 Annual Meeting, and presented by invitation at the 1984 Annual Meeting of the American Business Law Association (presentation by my esteemed colleague Don Carper)

**UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Lectures

Conflict Management for Associated Students Leadership Training  
spring 87  
Insider Trading for Investment Analysts  
spring 85, 86, 87, fall 85 (graduate - Stanislaus)  
Estate Planning for Investment Analysis class spring 86  
Women in Law for Women's Studies fall 84  
Business Law for Engineers  
summer 83, 84, 85, 86, fall 84, 85, 86  
Labor Law for Pharmacists fall 82

UOP Committees etc.

University Center Board of Directors - 1983-87  
Sexual Harassment Ombudsperson - 1983-87  
Women's Studies Committee - 1983-87  
steering committee - 1985-86  
Women in the Workplace rep. - 1985-86  
School of Education, credential advisor - 1984-87  
UPBEAT Film Committee - 1984-87  
Student Advocate - 1983-86

SPBA Committees

Dean's Planning Committee - 1983-87  
Curriculum Committee - 1983-87 (chair 85-86)  
ad hoc writing requirement committee - sp 84, chair  
personnel/labor curriculum revision - sp 84  
Academic Standards - 82-83  
ad hoc committee on copyright - 1982  
Delta Sigma Pi - faculty advisor - fall 1984-87

**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS** San Joaquin County Bar Association

**MEDIATION TRAINING** Dana Clark – Appellate Mediation  
Pepperdine – Mediating Litigated Cases/Neutral Evaluation  
Mediation Center of San Joaquin – Community Mediation

**OTHER** computer programming, wordprocessing, LEXIS, spreadsheets, graphics and data management  
Board of Directors, JLI Academy Inc. (nonprofit)  
Coordinator of Weberstown Mall Walk  
Jully Kang Dance Group  
Ex-Notary Public (Cal.)  
TV and film production work including screenwriting, assistant to producer and director, script supervision, announcing, on air work, camera, videotape, photography, and film developing and editing  
Yoga, line dancing, bicycling, rubber stamping, whitewater rafting, hiking, mensa