

Curriculum Vitae

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**EDUCATION:** **UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA**, Berkeley School of Law (Berkeley Law)  
J.D., June 1978

**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA** at Berkeley  
A.B., 1975

**AFFILIATION:** Lieff Cabraser Heimann & Bernstein, LLP (1995 to Present), Partner  
Lieff Cabraser & Heimann (1986 through 1994), Partner  
Lieff & Cabraser (1981 through 1985), Partner  
Law Offices of Robert L. Lieff (1978 to 1981), Associate

Lieff Cabraser Heimann & Bernstein, a 70-lawyer AV-rated law firm with offices in San Francisco, New York, Nashville, and Seattle, concentrates its practice in complex civil litigation in the subject areas of mass tort, securities and investment fraud, environmental disaster, consumer, employment and product liability, and the pro bono representation of plaintiffs in civil rights and human rights litigation.

**TEACHING:** Berkeley School of Law (Berkeley Law), Lecturer (2005-Present)  
Columbia Law School, Visiting Professor from Practice (2003),  
Adjunct Professor (2003 to Present)

**BAR**

**ADMISSIONS:** United States Supreme Court  
United States Tax Court  
California Supreme Court  
Federal Circuit Courts:  
First Circuit Court of Appeals  
Second Circuit Court of Appeals  
Third Circuit Court of Appeals  
Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals  
Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals  
Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals  
Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals  
Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals  
Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals  
Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals

Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals  
Federal District Courts:  
Northern District of California  
Southern District of California  
Eastern District of California  
Central District of California  
District of Hawaii  
Eastern District of Michigan

**AWARDS  
AND HONORS:**

AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated, Martindale-Hubbell

2018 “Elite Women of the Plaintiffs’ Bar,” *National Law Journal*

2018 “National Trial Lawyers Hall of Fame,” National Trial Lawyers Association

2018, “Titan of the Plaintiffs’ Bar,” *Law360*

2018, 2017, 2015 “Top 100 Trial Lawyers in America,” *Benchmark Litigation*

2017 “Lifetime Achievement Award,” *National Law Journal*

2017 “Plaintiff Attorney of the Year,” *Benchmark Litigation*

2017 “Energy & Environmental Law Trailblazer,” *National Law Journal*

2017 “Leader in the Field” for General Commercial Litigation (California); Product Liability – Plaintiffs (Nationwide), *Chambers USA*

2017-2016 “Top 250 Women in Litigation,” *Benchmark Litigation*

2018-2016 “Top Plaintiff Lawyers,” *California Daily Journal*

2018-2005 “The 500 Leading Lawyers in America,” *Lawdragon*

2018-2004 “Super Lawyer for Northern California,” *Super Lawyers*

2016 “MVP for Class Action Law,” *Law360*

2016 “The 25 Most Influential Women in Securities Law,” *Law360*

2016 “Top 10 Female Litigators,” *Benchmark Litigation*

2016 and 2014 “Lawyer of the Year,” *Best Lawyers in America*, Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Plaintiffs, San Francisco

2018-2007 “Top California Women Lawyers,” *California Daily Journal*

2016-2011 “Top 10 Northern California Super Lawyer,” *Super Lawyers*

2018-2010 and 2007-2002 “Top 100 Lawyers,” *California Daily Journal*

2018-2004 “Top 100 Northern California Super Lawyer,” *Super Lawyers*

2016-2004 “Top 50 Women Northern California Super Lawyer,” *Super Lawyers*

2015 “Women Trailblazers in the Law,” Senior Lawyers Division, American Bar Association

2015-2012 “California Litigation Star,” *Benchmark Litigation*

2015 “Outstanding Women Lawyers,” *National Law Journal*

2013-2012 “Lawyer of the Year,” *Best Lawyers in America*, Product Liability Litigation - Plaintiffs, San Francisco

2011 Election to American Academy of Arts and Science

2010 ABA Commission on Women in the Profession “Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award.”

2008 “Edward Pollock Award,” Consumer Attorneys of California, recognizing “years of dedication and effectiveness on behalf of the causes and ideals” of consumers advocates

2007 “Award for Public Interest Excellence,” University of San Francisco School of Law Public Interest Law Foundation

2007 and 1998 “50 Most Influential Women Lawyers in America,” *The National Law Journal*

2006 *Distinguished Leadership Award*, Legal Community Against Violence

2006, 2000 and 1997 “One Hundred Most Influential Lawyers in America,” *The National Law Journal*

2006 Women of Achievement, Legal Momentum (formerly the NOW Legal Defense & Education Fund)

2006 *Lawdragon* 500 Leading Plaintiffs’ Lawyers, *Lawdragon*

2006 “Best Lawyer,” *Best Lawyers in America*

2006-2005 “Top 75 Women Litigators,” *California Daily Journal*

2005 “Top 30 Securities Litigators,” *California Daily Journal*

2003 *Citation Award*, University of California, Berkeley Boalt Hall

2004 “Top 50 Women Litigators,” *California Daily Journal*

2002 “Top 30 Women Litigators,” *California Daily Journal*

2002 *Distinguished Jurisprudence Award* for work in *Holocaust Litigation*, Anti-Defamation League

2001 “Top Ten Women Litigators,” *The National Law Journal*

2000 *Matthew O. Tobriner Public Service Award*, Legal Aid Society

2000-1998 “California Law Business Top 100 Lawyers,” *California Daily Journal*

1998 *Presidential Award of Merit* “In Recognition of Her Dedication to the Legal Profession and Her Outstanding Service on Behalf of Her Clients,” Consumer Attorneys of California

1998 “Lawyers of the Year,” (CLAY Award) *California Lawyer*

1997 *Public Justice Achievement Award* “for outstanding contribution to protecting consumer rights and the public interest as Co-Counsel in the *Polybutylene Pipe Class Action Litigation*,” Trial Lawyers for Public Justice

## **PUBLICATIONS**

**TREATISES:** Executive Editor, *Survey of Federal Class Action Law, A Circuit-By Circuit Analysis – 2018*

Editor-in-Chief, *California Class Actions Practice and Procedure*, LexisNexis (updated annually)

Executive Editor, ABA Section of Litigation, *Survey of Federal Circuit Courts’ Class Action Decisions – 2018*

Executive Editor, ABA Section of Litigation, *Survey of State Class Action Law – 2008-2010*

“Punitive Damages,” *Proving and Defending Damage Claims*, Chapter 8, Aspen Publishers (updated annually)

Coordinating Editor, ABA Section of Litigation, *Survey of State Class Action Law – 2006-2007*

“Mass Tort Class Actions,” *ATLA’s Litigating Tort Cases*, Vol. 1, Chapter 9 (June 2003)

Contributor/Editor, *Moore’s Federal Practice* (1999)

Contributor/Editor, *California Causes of Action* (1998)

**ARTICLES:**

Co-author with Samuel Issacharoff, “The Participatory Class Action,” *New York University Law Review*, Vol. 92 (October 2017)

“Tribute to Judge Jack B. Weinstein,” *New York University Annual Survey of American Law*, Vol. 72, Issue 1 (2017)

“The Class Abides: Class Actions and the ‘Roberts Court’,” *Akron Law Review*, Vol. 48, Issue 4 (2015)

Co-author with Jonathan Selbin, “Class Action Settlements,” *Trial Magazine* (September 2015)

“The Rational Class: Richard Posner and Efficiency As Due Process,” *George Washington Law Review*, Vol. 82 (October 2014)

“Symposium: The Essentials of Democratic Mass Litigation,” *Columbia Journal of Law and Social Problems*, Vol. 45, No. 4 (2012)

“Symposium: Enforcing the Social Contract through Representative Litigation,” *33 Connecticut L. Rev.* 1239 (Summer 2011)

“Due Process Pre-Empted: Stealth Preemption As a Consequence of Agency Capture,” *65 N.Y.U. Annual Survey of American Law* 449 (2010)

“Apportioning Due Process: Preserving The Right to Affordable Justice,” *87 Denver U. L. Rev.* 437 (2010)

“When Worlds Collide: The Supreme Court Confronts Federal Agencies with Federalism in *Wyeth v. Levine*,” *84 Tulane L. Rev.* 1275 (2010)

“Just Choose: The Jurisprudential Necessity to Select a Single Governing Law for Mass Claims Arising from Nationally Marketed Consumer Goods and Services,” *14 Roger Williams U.L. Rev.* 29 (Winter 2009)

“California Class Action Classics,” *Consumer Attorneys of California Forum* (January/February 2009)

“The Manageable Nationwide Class: A Choice of Law Legacy of *Phillips Petroleum Co. v. Shutts*,” *74 UMKC L. Rev.* 543 (Spring 2006)

“The Class Action Counterreformation,” *57 Stanford L. Rev.* 1475 (2005)

Co-Author with Fabrice N. Vincent, "Class Actions Fairness Act of 2005," *California Litigation*, Vol. 18, (Nov. 3, 2005)

Co-Author with Joy A. Kruse, Bruce Leppla, "Selective Waiver: Recent Developments in the Ninth Circuit and California" (pts. 1 & 2), *Securities Litigation Report*, West Legalworks (May & June 2005)

"Human Rights Violations as Mass Torts: Compensation as a Proxy for Justice in the United States Civil Litigation System," *57 Vanderbilt Law Review* 2211 (November 2004).

Co-Author, "Mass But Not (Necessarily) Class: Emerging Aggregation Alternatives Under the Federal Rules," ABA 8th Annual National Institute on Class Actions, New York (Oct. 15, 2004) & New Orleans (Oct. 29, 2004)

"New Developments in Mass Torts and Class Actions: 'Issues' Certification The Mass Torts Top Ten of 2003; Rule 23's New Provision and Action Trial Plans; And the FJC 'New Plain Language' Class Notice," in *Civil Practice and Litigation Techniques in Federal and State Courts* (ALI-ABA Course of Study, February 2004)

Co-Author, "2004 ABA Toxicology Monograph-California State Law," (January 2004)

"The Effect of *State Farm v. Campbell* on Punitive Damages in Mass Torts and "Common Course of Conduct Litigation": What Does the Immediate Post-*State Farm* Jurisprudence Reveal?" ALI-ABA (January 2004)

"The Use of Epidemiology in Tort Litigation: A Survey of Federal and State Jurisdictions" (California), ABA Section of Litigation (June 2003)

"A Plaintiffs' Perspective On The Effect of *State Farm v. Campbell* On Punitive Damages in Mass Torts," (May 2003)

Co-Author with Fabrice N. Vincent, "Ethics and Admissibility: Failure to Disclose Conflicts of Interest in and/or Funding of Scientific Studies and/or Data May Warrant Evidentiary Exclusions," *Mealey's December Emerging Drugs Reporter* (December 2002)

"The Shareholder Strikes Back: Varied Approaches to Civil Litigation Claims Are Available to Help Make Shareholders Whole," (September 2002)

"Unfinished Business: Reaching The Due Process Limits of Punitive Damages in Tobacco Litigation Through Unitary Classwide Adjudication," *36 Wake Forest Law Review* 979 (Winter 2001)

“Your Products Liability Hit Parade: A Class Torts Top 20,”  
37 Tort & Insurance Law Journal 269 (Fall 2001)

“Enforcing the Social Compact Through Representative Litigation,”  
33 Connecticut Law Review 1239 (Summer 2001)

“Case Selection and Coordination in the Class Action Context: Forum  
Selection, Federal/State Jurisdiction, Competing and Co-Existing Class  
Actions,” CAOC, 18th Annual Las Vegas Convention (September 2000)

“The Dynamics of Federalism in the Class Action Context: Forum  
Selection, Federal/State Jurisdiction, Competing and Co-Existing Class  
Actions, and Attempted Mass Opt-Outs,” 2000 Second Circuit Judicial  
Conference (June 15-18, 2000)

“A Solution in Search of a Problem: Why Federalization of Class  
Actions to Benefit Corporate Interests is Unnecessary,” *The Recorder*  
(June 14, 2000)

“Equity for the Victims, Equity for the Transgressor: The Classwide  
Treatment of Punitive Damages Claims,” 74 Tulane Law Review 205  
(June 2000)

“Parallel State/Federal Prosecution and Class Certification of Medical  
Monitoring Claims in Mass Tort Litigation: Lessons From Fen/Phen,”  
Mealey’s Toxic Torts Conference (April 17-18, 2000)

“Trends and Developments in the Filing, Certification, Settlement, Trial  
and Appeal of Class Actions,” SemiAnnual Advanced ALI-ABA Course  
of Study, Civil Practice and Litigation Techniques in the Federal and State  
Courts (April 13-15, 2000)

“The Legacy of Asbestos Litigation: Challenges and Complications  
in the Settlement of Mass Tort Class Actions,” Mass Tort Litigation  
Conference, NYU Law School (March 24, 2000)

“Sanctions Under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure,” *The Federal  
Discovery News* (March 2000)

Co-Author, “Preliminary Issues Regarding Forum Selection, Jurisdiction,  
and Choice of Law in Class Actions,” (December, 1999)

“Current Issues Involving Rule 12(B)(6) and Rule 9(B),” SemiAnnual  
Advanced ALI-ABA Course of Study, Civil Practice and Litigation  
Techniques in Federal and State Courts (December 1999)

“Class Action Trends and Developments After *Amchem* and *Ortiz*,”  
SemiAnnual Advanced ALI-ABA Course of Study, Civil Practice and

Litigation Techniques in the Federal and State Courts (December 9-11, 1999)

“Coordination From a Plaintiffs’ Perspective” (ABA Section of Litigation April 1999)

“Taking the Seventh: Who Owns the Right to Jury Trial?” *California Daily Journal* (November 11, 1999)

“Trends and Developments in Mass Torts and Class Actions in the Post-*Amchem* Era,” ALI-ABA Course of Study, Civil Practice and Litigation Techniques in the Federal Courts (January 1999)

“Trends and Developments in Mass Torts and Class Actions In Year One of the Post-*Amchem* Era,” *Civil Practice and Litigation Techniques in the Federal Courts* (ALI-ABA Course of Study, August 1998)

“Nationwide Class Certification and Settlement Classes in the Post-*Amchem* Era: Recent Federal and State Decisions,” Second Annual ABA National Institute on Class Actions (Summer 1998)

“Recent Developments in Nationwide Products Liability Litigation: The Phenomenon of Non-Injury Products Cases, the Impact of *Amchem* and the Trend Toward State Court Adjudication, and the Continued Viability of Carefully Constructed Nationwide Classes in the Federal Courts,” *ABA Products Liability* (February 1998)

“Life After *Amchem*: The Class Struggle Continues,” 31 *Loyola (Los Angeles) Law Review* 373 (January 1998)

“The Necessity of Class Actions in a Global Economy,” First Annual ABA National Institute on Class Actions (Summer 1997)

“Beyond Bifurcation: Multi-Phase Trial Structures in Mass Tort Class Actions,” *Class Actions & Derivative Suits*, ABA Section of Litigation (Spring 1997, Vol. 7, No. 2)

“Developments in Nationwide Non-Injury Products Liability Litigation” *ALI-ABA Products Liability* (July 1996)

“The Road Not Taken: Thoughts on the Fifth Circuit’s Decertification of the *Castano* Class,” SB 24 ALI-ABA 433 (1996)

“The Road Not Taken: Fifth Circuit Decertifies *Castano* Nationwide Addicted Smokers’ Class,” *Class Actions & Derivative Suits*, ABA Section of Litigation (Summer 1996)



“Implications of the Third Circuit’s General Motors Decision”,  
*Complex Tort Litigation*, American Conference Institute (Spring 1996)

“Getting the Word Out: Pre-Certification Notice to Class Members  
Under Rule 23(d)(2)”, *Class Actions & Derivative Suits*, ABA Section  
of Litigation (Fall 1995)

“Discovery of Accountants as Third Parties and Defendants: Privilege  
Issues and Ethical Considerations,” PLI (1995)

“Recent Developments in Discovery Under Revised Rule 26,” Aspen Law  
and Business (1995)

“An *Oracle* of Change? Realizing the Potential of Emerging Fee Award  
Methodologies for Enhancing The Role and Control of Investors in  
Derivative and Class Action Suits,” American Law Institute *Principles of  
Corporate Governance* (October 1994)

“Do You Know the Way from *San Jose*? The Evolution of Environmental  
and Toxic Nuisance Class Actions,” *Class Actions & Derivative Suits*,  
ABA Section of Litigation (Spring 1994)

“Mass Tort Class Action Settlements,” 24 *CTLA Forum* 11 (Jan./Feb.  
1994)

“Syndicating Litigation: Advocacy, Ethics and the Limits of  
Entrepreneurship,” ABA Section of Business Law 1993

“Developments in the Termination of Securities Actions by Dismissal or  
Summary Judgment,” PLI (1993)

“How To Streamline Complex Litigation: Tailor a Case Management  
Order to Your Controversy,” 21 *The Brief* 12, ABA/TIPS (Summer 1992)

“Preparing, Proposing and Implementing Case Management Orders,”  
ABA Tort and Insurance Practice Section (Spring Meeting, 1991)

“Taking Depositions in an Age of Limits,” ABA Division of Professional  
Education (1991)

“Confronting or Deflecting Limited Partners’ Securities Claims in the  
Light of *Lampf*,” PLI (1991)

“Measuring Damages in Securities Actions: Plaintiff’s Methodologies and  
Strategies,” PLI (1991 Realty Partnership Program)

“Securities Litigation, Strategies and Current Developments,” CEB/PLI  
(1991 Securities Program)

“Class Actions in Aviation Disaster Litigation,” ATLA (1991 Annual Convention)

“Advocacy and Management in Complex Litigation: The First Thirty Days,” CEB Advanced Trial Practice Series (1991)

“The Applicability of the Fraud-On-The-Market Theory to ‘Undeveloped’ Markets: When Fraud Creates the Market,” *12 Class Action Reports* 402 (1989)

“Mandatory Certification of Settlement Classes,” *10 Class Action Reports* 151 (1987)

Co-Author with Robert J. Nelson, “Class Action Treatment of Punitive Damages Issues After *Philip Morris v. Williams*: We Can Get There From Here,” *Charleston L. Rev.*, Vol. 2, No. 2 (Spring 2008)

Co-Author with Fabrice N. Vincent, “Class Actions Fairness Act of 2005,” *California Litigation*, Vol. 18, No. 3 (2005)

Co-Author, “Decisions Interpreting California’s Rules of Class Action Procedure,” *Survey of State Class Action Law*, updated and re-published in *5 Newberg on Class Actions* (ABA 2001-2004)

Co-Author, “Mass But Not (Necessarily) Class: Emerging Aggregation Alternatives Under the Federal Rules,” ABA 8th Annual National Institute on Class Actions, New York (Oct. 15, 2004), New Orleans (Oct. 29, 2004)

Co-Author, “2004 ABA Toxicology Monograph-California State Law,” (January 2004)

Co-Author with Michael G. Nast, “A Plaintiffs’ Perspective on the Effect of *State Farm v. Campbell* on Punitive Damages in Mass Torts,” *Mealey’s Emerging Drugs & Devices*, Vol. 8, #10 (May 15, 2003)

Co-Author with Alexandra Foote and Fabrice N. Vincent, “Ethics And Admissibility: Failure To Disclose Conflicts Of Interest In And / Or Funding Of Scientific Studies And / Or Data May Warrant Evidentiary Exclusions,” *Mealey’s Daubert Report*, Vol. 6, #12 (December 2002)

Co-Author with Fabrice Vincent and Alfred Davidson IV, “The Shareholder Strikes Back: Varied Approaches To Civil Litigation Claims Are Available To Help Make Shareholders Whole,” *Mealey’s Emerging Securities Litigation*, Vol. 1, #3 (September 2002)

## **TEACHING ACTIVITIES:**

**LECTURES,**

**SEMINARS**

**AND COURSES:** Spring 2018 Multidistrict Litigation

Visiting Professor, Columbia University School of Law, Spring 2003 – Present. Courses Taught: Complex Litigation/Mass Torts; Consumer Litigation Advanced Seminar

Visiting Professor, Vanderbilt University School of Law Fall 2006: Complex Litigation Short Course

Lecturer, Berkeley Law, Spring 2002-Present. Advanced Course in Civil Procedure: Complex Litigation/Mass Torts (Spring Semester 2002, Fall Semester 2003 – 2008; Spring Semester 2010); Class Actions (Spring Semester 2008); Consumer Class Actions (Spring Semester 2016)

Panelist and Contributor, Charleston Law School, Punitive Damages Symposium, Fall 2007

Panelist and Contributor, 2007 Toronto Region Judges' Education Conference

Fifth Annual Irving H. Green Memorial Lecture "What We Owe Each Other: Enforcing the Social Contract Through Civil Litigation," UCLA School of Law (April 6, 1998)

Speaker and Contributor, First through Thirteenth Annual ABA National Institute on Class Actions (1997 - 2009)

United States Judicial Conference Committee on Federal-State Jurisdiction, Mass Torts Panel Presentation (January 2002)

Panelist and Contributor, First, Second, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Annual Georgetown University Law Center Mass Tort Litigation Institute (1996 - 2002)

Panelist and Contributor, Managing Complex Litigation: Procedures and Strategies for Lawyers and Courts, ABA TIPS 1991 Spring Meeting

Panelist and Contributor, CEB Trial Practice Series: Advocacy and Management in Complex Litigation, March 1991

Panelist and Contributor, Practicing Law Institute (PLI) Program, *The Realty Partnership in Default*, 1991

Contributor, *Managing Mass Tort Cases: A Resource Book for State Trial Court Judges*

Panelist and Contributor, Practicing Law Institute (PLI) Program: *Securities Litigation*, 1991

Contributor, ABA National Institute, *Taking Depositions*, 1992

Panelist and Contributor, ABA Business Law Section 1992 Annual Meeting Programs, *Mandatory Settlement Class Certification: Beyond the Limited Fund*

Panelist and Contributor, Practicing Law Institute (PLI) Program: *Securities Update*, 1993

Panelist and Contributor, 1993 Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference Program: *Federal-State Court Coordination of Mass Tort Litigation*

Panelist and Contributor, 1993 ABA Annual Meeting Program: *Syndicating Litigation*

Panelist and Contributor, 1993 SFTLA and CTLA California Litigation Technologies Seminar

Panelist and Contributor, 1994 Hastings College of the Law MCLE Program, "Major 1993 Amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and an Examination of Related Local Rules for the Northern District of California"

Panelist and Contributor, 22nd Annual Securities Regulation Conference (1995)

Panelist and Contributor, 1995 and 1996 ALI/ABA/Federal Judicial Center Telecast: "New Directions in Federal Civil Practice, Procedure, and Evidence"

Panelist and Commentator, Institute for Judicial Administration Research Conference on Class Actions, NYU School of Law, April 1995

Speaker, Institute for Legal Studies, "Tobacco Policy Research Program" (1995)

Speaker and Panelist, "A Practical Look at Complex MDL and Mass Tort Litigation," Northwestern School of Law Conference (1995)

Faculty, Speaker, Panelist and Contributor, "Civil Practice and Litigation Techniques in the Federal Courts", ALI/ABA (1995 - Present)

Faculty, Speaker and Contributor, Annual ALI/ABA Advanced Products Liability Seminar (1996-Present)

Speaker, Complex Tort Litigation, American Conference Institute (Spring 1996)

Panelist, Mass Tort Litigation Panel, Stanford Law School (Fall 1996)

Speaker, ABTL “The Punitive Damages Jury Trial” (Winter 1996)

Speaker, ALI-ABA Current Issues in Corporate Governance (Winter 1994) (Winter 1996) (Winter 1997)

Speaker, ABA 26th Annual Conference on Environmental Law (Spring 1997)

Speaker and Contributor, National Law Journal Fen-Phen Litigation Seminar (March 1998)

Co-Chair, Speaker and Contributor, Andrews Fen-Phen Litigation Seminar (April 1998)

Panelist “Champagne Panel on Current Class Action Issues of the Future,” 1998 Judicial Conference of the Fifth Federal Circuit (April 1998)

Guest lecturer on Advanced Torts and Products Liability: Stanford, Columbia, and NYU Law Schools

**PROFESSIONAL,  
ADVOCACY, AND  
COMMUNITY  
SERVICE**

**AFFILIATIONS:**

American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Fellow, Section Chair, and Membership Committee

American Bar Association: Member: Preemption and Pleading Standards Task Forces Member; Section of Litigation: Past Co-Chair, Mass Torts Committee, Past Co-Chair, Committee on Class Actions and Derivative Suits; Tort and Insurance Practice Section (TIPS); Past Vice-Chair, Rules & Procedures Committee, Contributor, Civil Procedure & Evidence News Letter; Business Law Section, Corporate & Litigation Group.

American Law Institute Council, May 1999 - present

American Law Institute 1993-present

Advisory Group: Project on Aggregate Litigation:  
Consultative Groups, Restatement [3d] of the Law: Torts;  
Restatement of the Law: The Law Governing Lawyers;  
Adviser, International Jurisdiction and Judgments Project

Board of Directors, Legal Momentum (formerly NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund)

State Bar of California: Litigation Section  
Conference of Delegates

Federal Bar Association: Northern District of California Chapter

American Association for Justice (Association of Trial Lawyers of America (ATLA)): Member, Leaders' Forum; Co-Chair, Class Action Litigation Group; California State Liaison, Women Trial Lawyers Caucus

Consumer Attorneys of California (CAOC)

Bar Association of the Fifth Federal Circuit

Bar Association of the Seventh Federal Circuit

Federal Bar Council (Second Federal Circuit)

California Women Lawyers (CWL)

Association of Business Trial Lawyers (abtl)

Queen's Bench

Bar Association of San Francisco (BASF)  
Board of Directors: 1997-1998  
Past President: Securities Litigation Section  
Past Member: Judiciary Committee

Lawyers Club of San Francisco

National Association of Women Lawyers

National Association of Securities & Commercial Attorneys (NASCAT):  
Member, Federal Rules Committee;  
Committee on *Amicus* Requests and Law Development

Bay Area Lawyers for Individual Freedom (BALIF)

San Francisco Trial Lawyers Association, Board of Directors (past)

Vice President, Board of Directors, Legal Aid Society  
Employment Law Center of San Francisco

Member, Lawyers' Committee on Civil Rights

Member, National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ)

American Society, Board of Directors, present

Witkin Legal Institute Advisory Board

Ninth Judicial Circuit Historical Society

Editorial Board, Western Legal History

Board of Directors, United States District Court for the Northern District of California Historical Society

Board of Directors, National Center for State Courts

Board of Trustees, National Judicial College

Civil Justice Foundation

Public Justice Foundation

## **FEDERAL**

### **COURT**

**APPOINTMENTS:** Federal Civil Rules Advisory Committee, 2010 - present

Northern District of California Advisory Committee on Professional Conduct (“ACPC”), Pursuant to General Order No. 40, May 1995

Lawyer-Delegate, Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference 1992 - 1995

Member, Northern District of California Civil Justice Reform Act (CJRA) Advisory Committee 1991 - 1994

Member, Lawyer-Delegate/CJRA Advisory Committee Joint Local Rules Revision Task Force

Chair, CJRA Advisory Committee on Case Management/Access 1991

Contributor, CJRA Civil Justice Expense & Delay Reduction Plan; Case Management Pilot Program 1991

Member, CJRA Pilot Project Task Force 1992

Faculty, Federal Judicial Center 1992 Case Management Skills Development Seminar (for Federal Judges), Glendon Beach, Oregon

Faculty, Federal Judicial Center 1991 Case Management Skills Development Seminar (for Federal Judges) Breckenridge, Colorado

## **STATE**

**APPOINTMENTS:** Member, California Constitution Revision Commission, 1994 - 1996

Member, California Senate Special Task Force on Shareholder Litigation, 1996

Member, National Center for State Courts Mass Tort Conference Planning Committee

**COURT-APPOINTED LEADERSHIP/MANAGEMENT ROLES  
IN FEDERAL MULTIDISTRICT AND COMPLEX LITIGATION**

**FEDERAL MULTIDISTRICT/COMPLEX LITIGATION**

*In re Northern California Mortgage Brokerage Securities Litigation*, MDL No. 521 (N.D. Cal./E.D. Cal.), Plaintiffs' Lead Counsel

*In re Cable/Tel. Corp. and Entities Securities Litigation*, MDL No. 619 (E.D. Pa.), Plaintiffs' Co-Lead Counsel

*In re United Energy Corporation Solar Energy Module Securities Litigation*, MDL No. 726 (C.D. Cal.), Plaintiffs' Lead Counsel

*In re FPI/Agretech Securities Litigation*, MDL No. 763 (D. Hawai'i), Plaintiffs' Co-Lead and Class Counsel

*In re First Commodity Corp. of Boston Customer Accounts Litigation*, MDL No. 713 (D. Mass.), Plaintiffs' Steering Committee

*In re Air Disaster Near Honolulu, Hawaii on February 24, 1989*, MDL No. 807 (N.D. Cal.), Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel

*In re ACC/Lincoln Savings Securities Litigation*, MDL No. 834 (D. Ariz.), Plaintiffs' Steering Committee

*In re Granada Partnerships Securities Litigation*, MDL No. 837 (S.D. Tex.), Plaintiffs' Co-Lead Counsel

*In re First American Center Partnerships Securities Litigation*, MDL No. 868 (S.D.N.Y.), Plaintiffs' Lead Counsel

*In re First Capital Investment Product Litigation*, MDL No. 901 (C.D. Cal.), Policyholder Lead Counsel

*In re Precious Metals Securities Litigation*, MDL No. 904 (C.D. Cal.), Plaintiffs' Lead Counsel

*In re Cordis Pacemaker Product Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 850 (S.D. Ohio), Plaintiffs' Co-Lead Counsel

*In re Silicone Gel Breast Implants Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 926 (N.D. Ala.), Settlement Class Counsel; Plaintiffs' National Steering Committee; Co-Chair, Law Committee; Official Tort Claimants Committee, Dow Corning Bankruptcy Proceedings



*In re Holocaust Victims Assets Litigation*, (S.D.N.Y.) Plaintiffs' Executive Committee

*In re the Exxon Valdez*, Case No. A89-095 Civil (Consolidated) (D. Alaska), Plaintiffs' Class Counsel

*In re Sears Automotive Center Consumer Litigation*, Civ. No. C-92-2341-RHS (N.D. Cal.), Plaintiffs' Co-Lead Counsel

*In re General Motors Corporation Pickup Truck Fuel Tank Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 961 (E.D. Pa.), Plaintiffs' Co-Lead Counsel

*In re Copley Pharmaceutical, Inc. "Albuterol" Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 1013 (D. Wyo.), Plaintiffs' Class Counsel

*In re Felbatol Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 1048 (N.D. Cal.), Plaintiffs' Lead Class Counsel, Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel

*Roberts v. Bausch & Lomb* (N.D. Ala.) (Nationwide consumer price fixing/overcharge class action), Plaintiffs' Class Counsel

*In re Telectronics Pacing Systems, Inc. Accufix Atrial "J" Leads Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 1057 (S.D. Ohio), Plaintiffs' Executive Committee

*Castano v. American Tobacco*, No. 94-1044 (N.D. La.), Plaintiffs' Executive Committee; Chair, Law Committee

*In re Ford Ignition Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 1112 (D.N.J.), Plaintiffs' Executive Committee

*In re Diet Drugs Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 1203 (E.D. Pa.), Plaintiffs' Management Committee

*In re American Family Publishers Business Practices Litigation*, MDL No. 1235 (D.N.J.), Plaintiffs' Lead Counsel

*In re Providian Financial Corp. Credit Card Terms Litigation*, MDL No. 1301 (E.D. Pa.), Plaintiffs' Co-Lead Counsel

*In re Bridgestone/Firestone Tires Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 1371 (S.D. Ind.), Class Plaintiffs' Executive Committee, Class Counsel

*In re Baycol Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 1431 (D. Minn.), Plaintiffs' Executive Committee

*In re Tri-State Crematory Litigation*, MDL No. 1467 (N.D. Ga.), Plaintiffs' Lead Counsel/Class Counsel

*In re Simon II Litigation*, (E.D.N.Y.),  
Plaintiffs' Lead Counsel/Class Counsel

*In re Bextra/Celebrex Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 1699  
(N.D.Ca.), Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel

*In re Vioxx Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 1657 (E.D.La.),  
Plaintiffs' Steering Committee

*In re Guidant Defibrillators Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 1708  
(D. Minn.), Plaintiffs' Co-Lead Counsel

*In re ConAgra Peanut Butter Products Liability Litigation*,  
MDL No. 1845 (N.D. Ga.), Plaintiffs' Lead Counsel

*In re Yamaha Motor Corp. Rhino ATV Products Liability Litigation*, MDL  
No. 2016 (W.D. Ky.), Plaintiffs Lead Counsel

*In re Chase Bank USA "Checkloan" Contract Litigation*, MDL No. 2032  
(N.D. Ca.), Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel/Plaintiffs' Executive Committee

*In re Toyota Motor Corp. Unintended Acceleration Marketing, Sales  
Practices, and Products Liability Litigation*, MDL No. 2151 (C.D. Ca.),  
Co-Lead Counsel/Plaintiffs' Liaison Committee for Personal  
Injury/Wrongful Death Claims; Core Discovery Committee

*In re Oil Spills By the Oil Rig "Deepwater Horizon" In the Gulf of  
Mexico, on April 20, 2010*, MDL No. 2179 (E.D. LA.), Plaintiffs' Steering  
Committee

*In re: Volkswagen "Clean Diesel" MDL*, 15-MD-2672-CRB (JSC) (N.D.  
Cal.), Plaintiffs' Lead Class Counsel

*In re Domestic Airline Travel Antitrust Litigation*, 1:15-mc-01404  
(District of Columbia), Plaintiffs' Executive Committee

*In re Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep Ecodiesel Marketing, Sales Practices, and  
Products Liability Litigation*, 17-md-02777-EMC (N.D. Cal.), Plaintiffs'  
Lead Counsel

*In Re: Generic Pharmaceuticals Pricing Antitrust Litigation*, MDL No.  
2724 (E.D. Pa.), End-Payer Plaintiffs' Steering Committee

#### **BANKRUPTCY LEADERSHIP/MANAGEMENT APPOINTMENTS**

*In re W. R. Grace & Company*, No. 101-bk-01139 (Bankr. D. Del. filed  
Apr. 2, 2001), Class counsel for homeowners and on the Creditors'

Committee in a homeowners' remediation settlement approved in conjunction with a Chapter 11 plan.

*In re American Family Enterprises*, 256 B.R. 377 (D.N.J. 2000). Represented a class of consumers and negotiated a prepackaged bankruptcy and class action settlement.

*In re Dow Corning Corporation*, No. 95-20512 (Bankr. E.D. Mich. filed May 15, 1995), member of Tort Claimants' Committee in a Chapter 11 bankruptcy relating to silicone gel implants.

**STATE COURT CLASS ACTIONS/COORDINATED PROCEEDINGS  
LEADERSHIP/MANAGEMENT APPOINTMENTS**

*California North Bay Fires Litigation*, (California) Judicial Counsel Coordination Proceeding No. 4955, Plaintiffs' Executive Committee, Lead Class Action Counsel

*Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Litigation*, (Alaska) 3 AN-89-2533 Civil (Consolidated), Class Counsel

*Neptune Society Cases*, (California) Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding Nos. 1814 and 1817, Lead Class Counsel; Plaintiffs' Litigation Committee

*Sconce/Lamb Cremation Cases*, (California) Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding No. 2085, Lead Class Counsel

*Sacramento River Spill Cases I and II*, (California) Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding Nos. 2617 and 2620, Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel; Class Counsel

*In re ABS Pipes II*, (California) Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding No. 3126; Class Counsel

*In re Providian Credit Card Litigation*, (California) J.C.C.P. No. 4085, Plaintiffs' Co-Lead and Liaison Counsel

*Naef v. Masonite*, (Mobile Co., Alabama) (nationwide litigation class certified; \$1+ billion class settlement approved 1998), Lead Class Counsel

*Cox v. Shell Oil Co.*, (Obion Co., Tennessee) (nationwide litigation class certified/\$950 million settlement approved 11/95) Class Counsel

*Avery v. State Farm Auto Insurance Company*, (Williamson County, Illinois) No. 97-L-114, Class Counsel

*Ford Explorer Cases*, JCCP Nos. 4266 & 4270 (Sacramento County Superior Court), Class Counsel