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MEDIATION PRACTICE

Idaho Mediation Group, LLC

Oct. 2017 – Present

- Wealth of experience in the mediation of intellectual property, business, corporate, contract, and other civil litigation matters and commercial disputes.
- Extensive mediation training, including training through the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution (Pepperdine University), the American Bar Association (Section of Dispute Resolution), and the Northwest Institute for Dispute Resolution (University of Idaho).
- Listed on the roster of approved mediators for the U.S. District Court, District of Idaho, and the Idaho Supreme Court's Civil Case Mediator Roster.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

CCO Certification f.k.a. Nat'l Comm'n for the Certification of Crane Operators

Apr. 2016 – Present

General Counsel

- Responsible for legal, strategic, and management functions of non-profit company.
- Legal and administrative duties involving multiple offices and more than 65 employees.

Parsons Behle & Latimer, Boise, ID

Nov. 2011 – Apr. 2016

Managing Shareholder, Boise Office

- Merged and managed the operations of this regional law firm's new Boise office.
- Legal practice focused on intellectual property matters and complex business litigation.

Zarian Midgley & Johnson, Boise, ID

Oct. 2007 – Oct. 2011

Founding Managing Partner

- Co-founded and managed boutique law firm focused on intellectual property matters.
- Legal practice focused on intellectual property and complex business litigation.

Stoel Rives, Boise, ID

Jan. 2006 – Sept. 2007

Of Counsel

Practicing Attorney, Los Angeles & Orange County, CA

Oct. 1989 – Dec. 2005

Various

EDUCATION

Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA

Certificate in Dispute Resolution, anticipated 2025

- 14 semester unit certificate from top-ranked academic program

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

Juris Doctor, 1989

- *Southern California Law Review*

University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

Master of Science in Finance, 1986

- Mariner S. Eccles Fellow in Political Economy

University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

Honors B.A. in Political Science, 1984

- Student Body President

PROFESSIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Served as lead counsel in a wide range of matters involving patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, right of publicity, unfair competition, e-commerce, cybersquatting, contracts, business torts, antitrust claims, class actions, securities, and other commercial disputes.
- Admitted to practice law in Idaho, Utah, California, and the District of Columbia.

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

- Rated AV® by *Martindale-Hubbell* (since 2004) and *Judicial Edition* (since 2017), highest ratings, indicating very high to preeminent legal ability and very high ethical standards
- Named as one of the “Top 100 Lawyers” in the Mountain States region (UT, ID, WY, MT, NV), across all practice areas, by *Mountain States Super Lawyers* (2015-17)
- Listed in *Mountain States Super Lawyers* (Idaho, Utah, Nevada, Wyoming and Montana) in the practice area of Intellectual Property Litigation (2008-17)
- Recognized as an “IP Star” in *IP Stars by Managing IP* (2013-17)
- Recommended by *Chambers USA (Idaho)* in field of Commercial Litigation (2010-17); (“the top IP litigator in the intermountain region”) (2012), (“extremely intelligent, detailed and polished”) (2016); Band 1 (2013-17) (one of six Idaho lawyers listed in Band 1 in 2017)
- Recognized in *America’s Top 100 Lawyers (Lifetime Achievement)* for Utah (2017)
- Listed in *Best Lawyers in America* in practice area of Commercial Litigation (2012-16)
- Listed in *Southern California Super Lawyers* in practice area of Business Litigation (2006)
- Listed in *America’s Most Honored Lawyers, Top 1%* (2016)
- Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America, Trial Lawyer Honorary Society (since 2007); member, Advisory Board (2014-15); Senior Fellow (since 2016)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Member, National Council Task Force, Federal Bar Association (2020)
- President, Federal Bar Association, Idaho Chapter (2017-18)
- Chairperson, J. Reuben Clark Law Society, Boise Chapter (2007-08); Asst. Area Director, U.S. Northwest Area (2013-16); Area Director, U.S. Mountain West Area (2016-19)
- Member, Local Civil Rules Committee, U.S. District Court, District of Idaho (2009-16)
- Chairperson, Litigation Section, Idaho State Bar (2009-11)
- Chairperson, Intellectual Property Law Section, Idaho State Bar (2008-09)
- Chairperson, Editorial Advisory Board, *The Advocate* (ID State Bar) (2009-11)
- Volunteer, Veterans Legal Clinic, Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program (2015)

LEGAL TEACHING

- Visiting Professor, Lazarski University, Warsaw, Poland, two-week seminar through Faculty of Law & Administration, “Alternative Dispute Resolution” (Fall 2019)
- Visiting Professor, Turība University, Riga, Latvia, one-week seminar through Faculty of Law, “Intellectual Property Law” (Fall 2017)
- Visiting Professor, Russian-Armenian (Slavonic) University, Yerevan, Armenia, two-week seminar through Institute of Law & Politics, “Intellectual Property Law” (Fall 2016)
- Adjunct Professor, College of Law, University of Idaho, “Introduction to Intellectual Property Law” (Winter Semester, 2012)

LEGAL AWARDS

- “Leaders in Law” Award, *Idaho Business Review* (2015)
- Outstanding Service Award, Idaho State Bar (2010)

CIVIC/COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Member, Idaho Legislative Action Committee, Community Associations Institute (since 2024)
- Member, Advisory Committee, Idaho Office of the Attorney General (2023)
- Member, Board of Directors, The Highlands Above Meadowcreek Homeowners Association, (New Meadows, ID) (since 2021); Secretary (2021-24); President (since 2024)
- Member, Board of Advisors, Boise State University Chapter, Beta Theta Pi (since 2021)
- Member, Board of Directors, Society for Orphaned Armenian Relief, Idaho Chapter (2020-22)
- Member, Law Advisory Council, University of Idaho College of Law (2016-22)
- Member, Board of Trustees and Executive Committee, Idaho Technology Council (2014-17); Secretary (2014-17); Chairperson, Tech2Market Committee (R&D Committee) (2015-17)
- Member, Board of Directors, Boise Valley Economic Partnership (2013-16)