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#### **EMPLOYMENT**

January 2003 – Present

#### RIBAS LEGAL

#### Lawyer

Los Angeles, California

General corporate and commercial practice, including domestic and international business transactions. Serve as outside general counsel for small to mid-size companies, including dispute resolution and trial work. Particular focus on entertainment industry and intellectual property matters.

June 2000 – December 2002

# STROOCK & STROOCK & LAVAN

## Special Counsel

Los Angeles, California

General corporate and commercial practice with emphasis on financing transactions, primarily for privately held companies. Served as outside general counsel for small to mid-size companies. Particular focus on intellectual property and entertainment industry matters. Also consulted on various commercial litigation cases.

May 1998 – April 2000

# AKIN, GUMP, STRAUSS, HAUER & FELD

# Senior Counsel

Houston, Texas and Los Angeles, California
International corporate practice with emphasis in Central and South America, including investment and privatization transactions. Domestic practice included mergers and acquisitions, intellectual property and entertainment industry transactions. Served as panel arbitrator selected by Motorola in international dispute resolution.

June 1997 - March 1998

## **ACER AMERICA CORPORATION**

## Corporate Counsel

San Jose, California

Responsible for all corporate matters in Central and South America. Transactions included joint ventures, licensing agreements, distributorship agreements, leases and other business contracts. Reported directly to senior management regarding broad range of business issues, including employment law and corporate governance. Managed all of Acer's litigation, including patent and trade secret cases.

May 1990 - May 1997

## ROPERS, MAJESKI, KOHN & BENTLEY

## Associate Attorney/Partner

Santa Rosa/San Jose, California

General corporate and commercial practice, including intellectual property. Transactions included mergers and acquisitions, intellectual property agreements, leases and other business contracts. Outside general counsel to corporate clients advising on wide range of business issues, including labor and employment. Broad-based business litigation experience, plaintiff and defense. Co-led team of attorneys serving as national coordinating defense counsel for over one hundred client companies involved in approximately eight hundred mass tort products liability lawsuits nationwide.

January 1989 – May 1990

# WILSON, SHER, MARSHALL & PETERSON

# Associate Attorney

Oakland, California

Civil litigation practice, with an emphasis on real estate and professional defense litigation.

July 1988 – December 1988

#### SAN FRANCISCO SUPERIOR COURT

#### Research Attorney

San Francisco, California

Co-managed Law and Motion department, including interviewing, hiring and supervising all externs, analyzing motions, recommending rulings to judges.

## **EDUCATION**

Legal

#### SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Santa Clara, California Juris Doctor, May 1987 Graduated Dean's List

# NOTRE DAME LAW SCHOOL

South Bend, Indiana August 1984 – May 1985 Select courses in International Law and Antitrust International Moot Court

# UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES SCHOOL OF LAW

Los Angeles, California August 1983 – May 1984 Lubic Scholarship University of California, Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz, California

Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy, June 1983

WELLS COLLEGE

Aurora, New York

Petroleum Engineering Scholarship

Grade Point Average, 3.7

BAR ADMISSIONS Texas 1999

California 1988

District of Columbia Court of Appeals 1991

U.S. District Court for the Northern, Eastern and Central Districts of California, 1988, 1993, and 2013, respectively

PUBLICATIONS California v. Delaware: A Corporate Law Comparison

& PRESENTATIONS Business Law News, Vol. XXII, Issue 3, 2002

Corresponding Presentation – May 2002 California Continuing Education of the Bar

PERSONAL Fluent in Spanish; considerable travel abroad