

# R E S U M E

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## ATTORNEY AT LAW

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**Attorney** • Admitted to Minnesota Bar on April 15, 1977; Admitted to California Bar on June 23, 1978; AV-rated.

**Professional Experience** • Over 30 years as a transactional lawyer, both with nonprofit organizations (public benefit, mutual benefit and religious corporations, unincorporated associations, limited liability companies, trusts) and business organizations (corporations, partnerships, limited partnerships and limited liability companies). Skilled in forming, maintaining, merging and dissolving organizations, writing contracts, negotiating, dealing with regulatory agencies, drafting securities offerings, advising clients, analyzing problems, and constructing solutions. Working knowledge of franchise law, intellectual property law, employment law, tax law, and constitutional law (first amendment). Able to research, write briefs, and supervise ongoing litigation, although not a litigator. Has served as an expert witness in several cases involving nonprofits. Able to draft legislation and lobby. Working relationship with California Department of Corporations; served as a court appointed receiver in a securities fraud case, at their request.

**Awards** • First recipient of the Outstanding Lawyer Award, a Nonprofit Lawyers Award presented by the American Bar Association's Business Law Section in August, 1999.

**Publications** • Editor and Principal Author, "Guide to Representing Religious Organizations", American Bar Association, Business Law Section, (planned publication date Spring 2009), Editor, "Nonprofit Resources", American Bar Association, Business Law Section, 2007. Author, "AABC=s of Nonprofits@", American Bar Association, Business Law Section, April, 2005; *Basic Corporate And Tax Aspects Of Religious Organizations, Nonprofit Debt Securities And State Regulation and Volunteer Protection Act Of 1997 - An Imperfect Solution*, "Nonprofit Governance: The Executive's Guide, Second Edition", American Bar Association, Business Law Section, 2002; "Chapter 23, Public Benefit, Mutual Benefit, and Religious Corporations", California Transactions Forms, BancroftWhitney, 1996; "Chapter 18, Corporate Changes" Advising California Nonprofit Corporations, 2d Edition, Continuing Education of the Bar, California, 1998, last updated 2008;"A Job Description for Directors", Business Law Today, Vol.4, No 2, Nov/Dec 1994; "The Night the Sky Fell: Directors of Nonprofits Continue at Risk", Business Law News, Vol. 15. No. 2, Spring 1994; "Responsibilities and Duties of a Director of a Nonprofit Organization", Maxwell-MacMillan Charitable Giving and Solicitation Service, 1991; Co-author "The Government's Role in the Purification of Religious Organizations", Pepperdine L. Rev., 1980.

**Memberships** • American, California Bar Associations; Minnesota Bar; ABA Business Law Section; ABA Section on Taxation; Business Law Section of the California Bar; Tax Section of the California Bar; Former member of Christian Legal Society, Center for Law and Religious Freedom.

**Professional Committees** • **California Bar** • Business Law - Nonprofit and Unincorporated Organizations Committee, Member 1985-1992, 1993-96, 1997 to present (Chair 1989-91, 2006-2008), Executive Committee (2008 to present); Taxation - Exempt Organizations Committee, Member 1997 to present.

**ABA-Business Law Section** • Member of Council (1995 to 1999); Committee on Nonprofit Corporations, 1986 to present (Chair 1991 to 1995); Subcommittee on Current Developments in Nonprofit Corporation Law, 1989 to present (Chair 1989-91); Subcommittee on Religious Organizations, 1989 to present (Chair 1987-91; 1996 -97); Subcommittee on Legal Guidebook for Directors, 1986 to present; Subcommittee on Model Nonprofit Corporation Act, 1999 to present; Corporate Laws Committee, 1999 to 2005; Subcommittee on Guidebook for Directors of Closely Held Corporations, 1999 to 2004 (Chair, 2000 to 2004); Task Force on MBCA Model Forms (Chair, 2005 to present); Subcommittee on Entity Rationalization, 1999 to present; Partnerships and Unincorporated Business Organizations Committee 1987 to present; State Regulation of Securities Committee 1988 to present; Ad Hoc Committee on Information Technology, 1997 to 2003 (Chair 1997-98; Co-chair 1998 to 2002); Liaison to Standing Committee on Technology and Information Systems (1997 to 2000); Liaison to ALI/ABA Principles of the Law of Nonprofit Organizations Project, 2003 to present; Section Advisor to the NCCUSL Regulation of Charities Drafting Committee.

**ABA-Tax Law Section** • Exempt Organizations Committee, 1987 to present; Subcommittee on Religious Organizations, 1989 to present (Chair 1995 to 1997, 2005 to present); Non-(c)(3) Exempt Organizations Subcommittee (Co-Chair 1997 to 2003), State and Local Regulation Subcommittee (Co-Chair 2003 to 2005).

**ABA B General** • Standing Committee on Solo and Small Firm Practitioners, 2004 to 2005). ABA Advisor to the NCCUSL Committee to Amend the Uniform Unincorporated Association Act (2006 to present)

**Board Memberships** • Advisory Board, The Exempt Organization Tax Review, 1990 to present; Advisory Board, California State University, Los Angeles, Continuing Education Accounting and Taxation Programs, 1995 to present; Editorial Board, Business Law Today, 1995 to 2002; Publications Board, ABA Business Law Section, 1997 to 2001; Director, Shiloh University, 2007 to present; Financial Planning Ministry, 2007 to 2008; Christian Management Association, 1983-1989; Southern California Baroque Association, 1986-1988.

**Education** • University of Minnesota Law School, graduated 12/76

Degree: Juris Doctor

Honors: University of Minnesota Student Leadership and Service Recognition Award

Activities: Christian Legal Society President; Minnesota Women Lawyers; Law School Teaching Improvement Committee (student/faculty); Center for Law and Religious Freedom Advisory Board.

**Special Interests** • Proud owner of three gorgeous standard poodles; trains and competes regularly in agility, obedience and rally, and is currently learning how to track.