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| **Bar Admissions** | Admitted to California State Bar (1966) and Indiana State Bar (1966); U.S. Supreme Court (1971); U.S. District Court, Northern, Eastern, Central and Southern Districts of California; Southern District of Indiana; U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit (all 1966). |
| **Military Service** | **1st Lt. U.S. Army – Intelligence**Active duty, January 1962 to November 1963; reserves until 1968. |
| **Education** | **Hastings College of the Law****University of California (J.D. 1966)****[now UC Law, San Francisco]***San Francisco, CA*Editorial Board, Hastings Law JournalMember, Order of the CoifMember, Thurston Honor SocietyPhi Delta Phi Graduate of the Year, 1966 (Hastings Chapter)**Indiana University (A.B. 1961)***Bloomington, IN*Member: Alpha Tau Omega, Phi Eta Sigma, Blue Key, various honoraries and organizations including the Indiana University Student Foundation and Inter-Fraternity Council.**Post J.D. Study:** Attended New York University Law Center as a Ford Foundation Fellow in the summer of 1971. |
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| **Professional Associations** | Member, American Bar AssociationMember, California and Indiana State Bar AssociationsMember, American Association for Justice (formerly Association of Trial Lawyers of America)Member, Consumer Attorneys of CaliforniaMember, San Francisco Bar AssociationMember, San Francisco Trial Lawyers Association |
| **Teaching** | Instructor, Santa Clara University Law School, Spring 2007, “Strategy, Tactics and Diplomacy in Dispute Resolution,” Seminar for Third-Year Law Students.Assistant Dean, Hastings College of the Law, University of California, 1970-1972; adjunct faculty, 1972-1978, 1990. Founding member of Hastings College of Advocacy, the first post-trial practice program for lawyers sponsored by a law school from 1971-2001.Co-founder and Member, Board of Directors and Executive Committee, Hastings Center for Trial and Appellate Advocacy, 1970-1982.Instructor, San Francisco Law School, “Insurance Law – A Consumer’s Perspective,” Spring 2001; “Remedies – The Law Gets Down to Business,” 2002-2003. |
| **Webinars/Seminars** | [Presented over 400 seminars to various state and national trial lawyer groups in 38 states and several foreign countries since 1970. Appeared as a speaker at the Annual Meeting of the American Bar Association 20 times. Featured Speaker to the Association of British Insurers (1987) and EuroForum (1994) in London.]**National Academy of Continuing Legal Education**“The Ethics of Witness Preparation: Does ABA Rule 508 Change the Dynamics and Rules of Witness Preparation?” Webinar with B. Levine, December 26, 2023.“Negotiating the Serious and Catastrophic Injury Case,” Webinar with B. Levine, November 9, 2023.“Negotiating and Settling Tort Cases: Reaching a Resolution,” Webinar with B. Levine, August 31, 2023.“Depositions in Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Cases: Advanced Strategy,” Webinar with B. Levine, April 28, 2023.“Case Selection, Evaluation and Beyond -Yes or No,?” with B. Levine, Webinar, November 7, 2022.“Evaluating and Negotiating Insurance Bad Faith Cases,” with B. Levine, Webinar, March 14, 2022, ““Key Points for Success In Virtual Mediations,” with B. Levine, Zoom Webinar, July 15, 2021. Expert Witnesses in Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Litigation” with B. Levine, Webinar, April 27, 2021.Intriguing Insurance Issues in 2021,” Zoom Webinar, January 6, 2021 (solo presentation)**San Francisco Bar Association**“Taking Killer Depositions of Key Witnesses,” Webinar, April 11, 2023, with J. Brydon and A. Fernandez.“Plaintiff’s View of COV-ID 19 Cases,” Webinar, July 5, 2020“Intriguing Insurance Issues in 2019/2020,” March 11, 2020. “Settlement Ain’t A Bad Word,” May 16, 2019.“Using Experts in Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Cases,” January 3, 2016.“Bad Faith Cases Arising Out of Uninsured and Underinsured Motorist Claims,” March 25, 2015.“How to be an Effective Advocate in Mediation,” February 17, 2015.“What You Need to Know About Insurance Bad Faith, 2013 and Beyond,” Moderator, San Francisco Bar Center, June 11, 2013.“Mediation Ethics,” Moderator, San Francisco Bar Center, April 26, 2012.“Mediation Advocacy” CLE Programs: January 2008 and May 2009**Strafford Seminars**“Negotiating and Settling Tort Cases: Reaching the Settlement,” with S. Hausner, and J. Myerson. Webinar, January 11, 2024, Webinar, January 11, 2024.“Depositions in Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Litigations,” with B. Levine and R. Boone. Webinar, February 22, 2022 (repeated live May 5, 2023). “Using Experts in Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith litigation,” with B. Levine, Webinar, October 21, 2020.“Insurance Litigation: Leveraging Daubert/Frye Admissibility Standards for Expert Testimony in State and Federal Courts,” Webinar, March 5, 2020.“Using Experts in Bad Faith and Coverage Cases,” August 5, 2015.**MYLAWCLE** “Claims Adjusters Depositions in Bad Faith Cases,” Webinar with B. Levine. December 20, 2022.**CELESQ** “The Ethics of Witness Preparation: Does the ABA Ethics Rules Change the Dynamics for Preparing Witnesses?” Webinar with B. Levine. December 19, 2023.“Advance Depositions: Strategies for Taking Depositions in Insurance Bad Faith Cases,” Webinar with B. Levine. September 12, 2023.**Litigation Counsel of American Trial Lawyer Honorary**“Mediation and Arbitration Strategies,” Panelist, Spring Meeting, Santa Barbara, California, May 2, 2019**Aids Legal Referral Panel**“Litigation Management: Settlement and Negotiation Strategies – Direct Negotiations vs Mediation,” April 24, 2019.**Primerus**“Mediation and Settlement Strategies,” Primerus Annual Fall Conference, Silverado Resort, April 2016.**Consumer Attorneys of California**“Bad Faith in Uninsured and Underinsured Motorist Cases,” 2014 Annual Meeting, San Francisco, November 15, 2014. **Judicial Technologies**Member of Faculty, CLE Programs, 2011.**Lorman Seminars**“Handling Insurance Bad Faith Claims,” Webinar, March 2013.“Underinsurance and Uninsured Motorist Claims,” Moderator, Webinar, November 2012.**American Bar Association – Section of Dispute Resolution**“A New Level of Dialogue Between Litigators and Mediators—A Conversation with San Francisco’s Finest Mediation Advocates,” Panelist, American Barn Association Dispute Resolution Section, San Francisco, California, April 2010.**Marin County Bar Association**“What You Need to Know to Litigate Insurance Bad Faith Claims in 2013,” Corte Madera, May 21, 2013. “Insurance Bad Faith Litigation,” Corte Madera, California, September 2009.**Sonoma County Bar Association**“Litigating Insurance Bad Faith Claims,” co-panelist with Charlie Cochran, January 11, 2014.**Thomson West Publishing Company**Series of Webinars (6 sessions) on “Mediation Strategies,” September – November, 2014. Series of Webinars (10 sessions) on “Mediation Advocacy,” 2010-2012, with Mediator Martin Quinn.**California Continuing Education of the Bar**“Hot Topics in Property and Liability Insurance,” Co-Panelist, San Francisco, California, March 5, 2010. “Insurance Law for Real Estate and Corporate Counsel,” Co-Panelist, San Francisco, California, March 2006.**American Association for Justice (Association of Trial Lawyers of America)**“What You Need to Know to Litigate Insurance Bad Faith Cases in 2011,” Annual Meeting, New York, N.Y. 2011.“Getting Results for Plaintiffs Through Early Mediation: Taking Advantage of the Marketplace for Resolving Lawsuits,” Annual Meeting, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, July 2005.“Finding the Right Defendant in an Insurance ‘Bad Faith Case’ – Pinning the ‘Tale’ on the Right Donkeys,” Palm Springs Midwinter Meeting, Insurance Bad Faith Group, February 2005.“Games Insurers Play in Handling Claims,” Insurance Bad Faith Group, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, July 2003.“Getting Results for Plaintiffs through Early Mediation: Taking Advantage of the Marketplace for Resolving Lawsuits,” Insurance Law Section, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, July 2003.**Center for Dispute Resolution, Hastings College of the Law, University of California**“How to be Effective at Mediation,” Panelist, U.S.D.C., Northern District of California, December 2004.**National Business Institute**“Uninsured/Underinsured Motorist Litigation from Start to Finish,” Webinar, November 30, 2023.“Personal Injury Bootcamp,” Webinar, October 13, 2023.“Calculating Damages, Drafting Demand Letters, and Negotiating Auto Cases,” Webinar, July 12, 2023“Advanced Insurance Bad Faith in California,” [“Institutional Bad Faith, Industry Standards, etc. – A Pouporri of Thoughts!”] Webinar, January 27, 2022“Powerful Evidence in California Civil Litigation,” San Diego, California, November 2002. |
| **Selected Appellate Cases / Expert Witnessing** | *Waters* v*. USAA*, California Courts of Appeal (1996) 41 Cal.App.4th 1063.*Melancon* v*. USAA Casualty Ins. Co.* (Ariz. App. 1992) Arizona Supreme Court and Court of Appeal 849 P.2d 1374.*Linthicum* v*. Nationwide Ins. Co.* (Ariz. 1986) Arizona Supreme Court and Court of Appeal 723 P.2d 675.*Hess* v*. Transamerica Occidental Life Ins. Co.* (1987) California Court of Appeal 190 Cal.App.3rd 941.Mr. Kornblum’s expert testimony on insurance bad faith cited and relied on by the California Court of Appeal, First Appellate District in *United States Fire Ins. Co.* v. *Button Trans.*, A108419, April 26, 2006.Mr. Kornblum’s co-authored book, California Practice Guide: Bad Faith, cited by Associate Justice M. Baxter, California Supreme Court in *Adams* v*. Mrakami*, 813 P. 2d 1348, 1359. |
| **Books** | *Negotiating and Settling Tort Cases: Reaching the Settlement,* 2024. 5th ed., Thomson Reuters Publishing Co. Co-author, *Litigating Insurance Claims* (Wiley & Sons 1993) with supplements (with W. A. Cerillo.)Co-author, *California Practice Guide: Bad Faith* (The Rutter Group 1986), and supplement (now part of *California Practice Guide: Insurance Litigation* (The Rutter Group 1995) (with Justice M. Kaufman; H. Levine).Contributing Author, California Continuing Education of the Bar, *Effective Mediation and Settlement Technique in California*, 2005. |
| **Published Monographs and Articles** | “The ethics of witness preparation: does ABA Formal Opinion 508[[1]](#footnote-1) change the dynamics and rules of witness preparation? FORUM January/February 2024 p. 40.“The Elegance of Our Law Practice,” FORUM November-December 2023, p. 36.“Some New Developments in the Insurance Bad Faith World!” FORUM September-October 2023, p. 34.“Settlement A’int A Bad Word,” FORUM July-August 2023, p. 42.“Preparation of Your Client for Deposition,” FORUM, May-June 2023, p. 38.‘Careful Case Intake,” TRIAL. June 2023 w/B. Levine.“Six thoughts for a more effective mediation!” FORUM, March-April 2023, p. 38.“Expert witnesses – theirs,” FORUM. 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"The new law practice of dispute resolution: how to avoid having to be a warrior on behalf of your client," FORUM, March/April 2014, p. 14. “Mediation Ethics, Part I: Perspective on Confidentiality Concerns,” The Update, Summer 2012. “An Overview of Third-Party Bad Faith: Failure to Accept Reasonable Settlements,” San Francisco Bar Bulletin, Spring 2012. “Insurance Bad Faith in Uninsured and Underinsured Motorist Cases,” San Francisco Bar Bulletin, Fall 2011.“Insurance ‘Bad Faith’ Basics, Part II,” *California Business Law Practitioner* (California Continuing Education of the Bar), Volume 24, Number 4, Fall 2009.“Insurance ‘Bad Faith’ Basics, Part I,” *California Business Law Practitioner* (California Continuing Education of the Bar), Volume 24, Number 3, Summer 2009.“Evaluation of an Insurance Bad Faith Case,” FORUM (Consumer Attorneys of California), March 2007, p. 8.“Getting Results for Plaintiffs Through Early Mediation: Ten Basic Principles to Follow in Getting Your Client’s Case Settled Early,” FORUM (Consumer Attorneys of California), June 2005 at 9.“Using Insurance Experts in Bad Faith Cases: Should I or Shouldn’t I?” TRIAL 30-37 (February 2000).“Pre-suit Considerations in Bad Faith Cases,” TRIAL 72-74 (October 1998).“Bad Treatment is Bad Faith!” *Insurance Litigation* 24-26, 39-40 (September-October 1998).“Do the Law Schools Meet the Expectations of the Practicing Bar?” with R. Moss, *Experience* (Fall 1995).“Evidentiary Issues in Coverage and First-Party Bad Faith Cases,” 61 *Defense Counsel Journal* 240 (April 1994).“Avoiding Botched-Up Claims,” *Best’s Review* 92-11 (March 1992).“Preventing Punitive Damages,” *Best’s Review* 88:8 (Property and Casualty edition).“Defending an Insurance Bad Faith Action in the 1990’s: Strategy and Tactics (Part I),” 5 *Mealey’s Litigation Reports* 21 (July 2, 1991).“Defending an Insurance Bad Faith Action in the 1990’s: Strategy and Tactics (Part II),” 5 *Mealey’s Litigation Reports* 23 (July 16, 1991).“How to Curb Discovery Abuses,” *The Practical Litigator* 61 (July 1991).“Environmental Claims and Bad Faith: Contract Obligations that Mature into Extra-Contractual Lawsuits,” with J. Ferry and K. 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Mediation – Why The Mediation Process Offers More,” 4 *Litigation Commentary & Review* 121 (August 2011)“Clichés That Apply To Negotiation and Settlement, Part I,” 4 *Litigation Commentary & Review 78* (June/July 2011) “California Supreme Court Speaks On Mediation Confidentiality,” *4 Litigation Commentary & Review* 45 (March/April 2011)“The Three C's Of Negotiation,” 4 *Litigation Commentary & Review* 5 (January/February 2011)“The Opening Demand at Mediation: How to View the First Shot Over the Bow,” Litigation Commentary & Review (November/December 2010).“The Modern Approach to Resolving Disputed – The Case for Mediation,” *Litigation Commentary & Review*  (September/October 2010).“Does Your Adversary and His or Her Client Have the Right Attitude on Mediation Day?” *Litigation Commentary and Review* (February 2010).“Do You Have the Right Attitude on Mediation Day?” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (January 2010).“Using Experts or Consultants at Mediation,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (November 2009).“The Top Ten Reasons Why Cases Do Not Settle at Mediation,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (October 2009).“Getting Around the Impasse at Mediation,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (September 2009).“Economic Downturn,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (August 2009).“The New Lawyer Settlement Strategies,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (July 2009).“Negotiating and Settling Insurance Bad Faith Cases,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (June 2009).“Five Factors that Suggest a Case is Ripe for Mediation,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (May 2009).“Getting Results for Plaintiffs Through Early Mediation: Ten Basic Principles to Follow in Getting Your Client’s Case Settled Early,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (March/April 2009).“The Opening Statement at Mediation – Yes, No, Maybe!” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (January/February 2009).“The Lawyer’s Role in Preparing the Mediator for Mediation,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (October/November 2008).“Using Videos at Mediation,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (August/September 2008).“Mediation as a Discovery Tool,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (July 2008).“What is a Resolution Advocate?” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (June 2008).“Are You Ready for Mediation?” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (May 2008).“Preparing Your Client f or Mediation: Winners Win, Whiners Lose!” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (April 2008).“What Type of Negotiation Personality Are You?” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (March 2008).“Do Lawyers Really Understand What They Need to Do to Prepare for Mediation,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (February 2008). “Listening to the Story as a Tool in Mediating,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (January 2008).“The Three ‘C’s’ of Negotiations,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (December 2007).“Some Basics of Negotiating at Mediation,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (November 2007).“A Look Back at the Process of Dispute Resolution,” *Litigation Commentary & Review* (October 2007). |
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