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EDUCATION

University of La Verne College of Law at San Fernando Valley, Encino, CA, Juris Doctor, 1994.
AmJur Award, Lawyering Skills Practicum, Spring 1993. Invitee, Moot Court Honors Course, Fall 1991.

University of Massachusetts at Amherst, MA, M.S., Labor Studies, 1983.

University of California at Berkeley, CA, B.A., Political Science, 1979.

CERTIFICATES

H&R Block Income Tax Course, 2010

Individual Income Tax, Goldtax, Inc., 2010

Basic Mediation Training, Los Angeles County Bar Association/Dispute Resolution Services, 2002.

Intermediate Level Mediation Training, Center for Dispute Resolution, Santa Monica, CA 1989.

Certified as an Elder Law Attorney, National Elder Law Foundation, 1999 to 2004.

Professional Designation in Personal Financial Planning, UCLA Extension, 1996.

EXPERIENCE

Mediator: From May, 2002, to present. Practice focuses on civil litigation and probate matters. Member of the Los Angeles County Civil and U.S. Bankruptcy Court mediation panels.

Sole practitioner: From February, 2002, to present. Emphasis in estate planning, probate, trust administration, powers of attorney, conservatorships, social security disability and other civil matters. Also served as court appointed attorney as a member of the Los Angeles Probate Court PVP panel. I continue my relationship with the Law Offices of Stuart Zimring, where I am “of-counsel” to the firm and perform mediations for the Los Angeles County, Van Nuys probate court.

Associate: From December, 2000 to February, 2002: Law Offices of Stuart D. Zimring. Emphasis in estate planning, including Special Needs Trusts, probate, conservatorships, trust administration, probate litigation and Medi-Cal.

Sole practitioner: From December, 1994, to December, 2000. Emphasis in wills and trusts, powers of attorney, probate, family law, bankruptcy, debt collection, social security, guardianships and conservatorships, and other civil matters.

Paralegal: Employed as Paralegal from June, 1990, to the March, 1998, at Bet Tzedek Legal Services, Los Angeles, CA. Represented clients in administrative hearings; interviewed prospective clients (approximately 2,000); drafted statutory wills directed execution of same; advocated for

clients in consumer disputes and debt collection matters; bankruptcies; guardianships; advised and assisted clients in a wide variety of legal matters encountered by the elderly; performed legal research and factual investigation; drafted legal documents and undertook other assignments as necessary.

VOLUNTEER ATTORNEY

Volunteer Attorney: From January, 1998 to the present I see clients at senior centers for the San Fernando Valley Bar Association as needed, and also see clients twice a month at the Wilkinson Senior Center, all on a pro bono basis.

Volunteer Attorney: From June, 2003 to May, 2007, present I was "Referral Attorney" for the Providence Health System "Beyond 50" program, where I gave 20 minute consultations once a month.

Volunteer Attorney: From March, 1995, to September, 1996, at the Harriett Buhai Center for Family Law, Los Angeles, CA. Assisted clients with the completion of their dissolution forms.

PUBLICATIONS

Professional Responsibility for California Lawyers, 1990, 1991. (Compendium of Model Code, Model Rules and California Rules of Professional Conduct, with cross-reference tables.)

MEMBERSHIPS

National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys, San Fernando Valley Estate Planning Council, Southern California Council of Elder Law Attorneys; Los Angeles County Bar Association, San Fernando Valley Bar Association.