



RESUME OF JOHN P. BLUMBERG

Educational Background

- 1972 B.A. California State University, Long Beach (Cum Laude)
1976 J.D. Western State University College of Law
Associate Editor - *Law Review* (1975-76)
National College of Advocacy (2003-2005)

Professional Honors and Achievements

- American Board of Trial Advocates
- National Board of Trial Advocacy: Board Certified Civil Trial Specialist (1987)
- California Trial Lawyers Association - Recognition of Experience Certifications: Trial Lawyer, Professional Negligence, Appellate Law, Products Liability, Insurance Bad Faith, Public Entity Liability and General Personal Injury (1989)
- *Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory* Peer Reviewed Rating: AV (Highest possible) (1993)
- Southern California Super Lawyers (Los Angeles Magazine) (2004,2005, 2006)
- Million Dollar Advocates Forum (2005)
- Nominee, 2005 Trial Lawyer of the Year, Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles

Judicial/Arbitration Appointments

- Judge Pro Tem, Long Beach, Los Angeles, South Bay Municipal Courts
- Judge Pro Tem, L.A. Superior Court, Small Claims Appeals
- Arbitrator and Mediator, Los Angeles County Superior Court
- Arbitrator, Orange County Superior Court
- Arbitrator, American Arbitration Association
- Arbitrator, Long Beach and Orange County Bar Associations, Attorney-Client Fee Disputes
- Arbitrator, Kaiser Malpractice Litigation
- Civil Litigation Settlement Officer, Los Angeles County Superior Court

Professional Activities

- State Bar Committee on Rules & Procedures of Court (Chair, 1993)
- Course Director, Long Beach Bar Association Trial Advocacy Institute (1994-96)
- Board of Governors, L.B. Bar Association (1988-1990)
- Bd. of Directors-Legal Aid Foundation of Long Beach (Pres., 1986, 1987, 1992)
- Delegate, California State Bar Conference (1985-1990)
- Long Beach Bar Association-Legislation Committee (Chair, 1988)
- Long Beach Bar Association-Trial Section (Chair, 1994-1996)
- Long Beach Bar Association-ADR Section (Chair 1997)
- Executive Director/Principal Mediator, Dispute Resolution Center of California
- Coach for Mock Trial Competition, Los Alamitos High School (1997)
- Constitutional Rights Foundation Mock Trial Competition Scoring Judge (1999-2004)
- Ball-Hunt Inn of Court (Exec. Committee, 2002-2004, 2006-2007)
- ATLA Law School Mock Trial Competition Scoring Judge (2005-2006)

Lectures

- Faculty, Hastings Center for Trial Advocacy
- Faculty, ABOTA Advocacy Skills Training Course
- Faculty, National Institute for Trial Advocacy, Deposition Skills (1992-2005)
- Moderator, California Continuing Education of the Bar: "Establishing and Maintaining Effective Attorney-Client Relationships" (1985)
- Moderator, State Bar Annual Convention, Committee on Rules & Procedures of Court, "Sanctions" (1992)
- Speaker, California Trial Lawyers Association, Travel Seminars (1990,1991,1994)
- Speaker, Post-Partum Support Intl, 1992 Annual Convention: "Insurance Issues"
- Speaker, Long Beach Barristers Association, "Legal Malpractice" (1993)
- Panel Member, Orange County Annual Mediation Week Conference: "Court Connected Mediation" (1994)
- Speaker, Long Beach Medical Association, Exec. Bd. Mtg. "Healthcare Mediation" (1994)
- Speaker, California Association of CPAs, "The Need to Litigate" (1995)
- Speaker, American College of Legal Medicine, "Healthcare Mediation" (1996)
- Speaker, Long Beach Board of Realtors, "Real Estate Mediation" (1996)
- Speaker/Moderator, Long Beach Bar Association, "Mediation Strategies" (1996)
- Speaker, Long Beach Bar Association, "Judicial Arbitration Tips" (1997)
- Speaker, Long Beach Barristers Association, "Avoiding Malpractice" (2001)
- Speaker, Family Law Study Seminar, "Fee Dispute Arbitration" (2002)
- Speaker, Ball-Hunt Inn of Court, "Deposition Strategy" (2005)
- Speaker, Long Beach Bar Association, "Keeping Clients" (2005)
- Speaker, CAALA, "Trial Lawyer Skills for the New Lawyer," *Depositions* (2006)

Newspaper columns *Long Beach Reporter*

- "The Trial Lawyer" (May 12, 1987)
- "The Sleeping Judge" (June 5, 1987)
- "The Justice Business" (June 30, 1987)
- "Referring The Case" (October 30, 1987)
- "Taking Your Own Expert's Deposition" (December 18, 1987)
- "New Punitive Damage Rules" (May 12, 1988)
- "Pleading Tort Damages" (July 12, 1988)
- "Interrogatories" (November 1, 1988)
- "New Jury Selection Rules" (February 6, 1990)
- "Attorney's Fees and Client Relations" (October 26, 1990)
- "Non Appealable Orders" (March 10, 1992)
- "The Timely Notice of Appeal" (March 17, 1992)
- "Minimizing Appellate Expense" (March 24, 1992)
- "The Substantial Evidence Rule" (August 21, 1992)
- "Settlement Through Mediation" (May, 1994)
- "Elder Abuse and Malpractice" (May 19, 1995)
- "Rules For Case Referrals" (September 19, 1995)
- "Advising Litigation Alternatives" (December 26, 1995)

Articles

- "Medication Errors," (Book Review)
Association of Trial Lawyers of America - *TRIAL*, Vol.19,No.9 (September, 1983)
- "Attorney's Fees and Client Relations"
California Trial Lawyers Association - *FORUM*, Vol. XIII, No. 8 (October, 1983)
- "Insurance Agent Liability"
Los Angeles Trial Lawyers Association-*ADVOCATE*, Vol.10,No.9 (October, 1983)
- "Attorney Liability for Malicious Prosecution"
FORUM, Vol.XIV, No. 8 (October, 1984)
- "Resolving Conflicts Between Court Rules, Trial Court Orders and the Code"
ADVOCATE, Vol. 12, No. 2 (February, 1985)
- "Trial Techniques: The Malicious Prosecution Case Against Attorneys"
ADVOCATE, (Part I) Vol. 13, No. 4 (April, 1986)
(Part II) Vol. 13, No. 5 (May, 1986)
- "The Day Care Injury Case"
FORUM, Vol. XVI, No. 4 (May, 1986)
- "National Crisis In Insurance: Who's to Blame?" (Op Ed)
Long Beach Press Telegram (May 8, 1986)
- "Don't Pay Excessive Hospital Records Charges"
ADVOCATE, Vol. 13, No. 9 (October, 1986)
- "Fee Disputes Can Be Easily Avoided"
State Bar of California section on Law Practice Management -
THE BOTTOM LINE, Vol. 13, No. 4 (August, 1991)
- "Alternate Dispute Resolution: Required and Effective"
Condo Management Magazine, Vol. II, No. 17 (January, 1994)
- "Settlement Through Mediation"
FORUM, Vol. 24, No. 3 (April, 1994)
- "Ethics And ADR"
Orange County Lawyer Magazine, Vol. 37, No. 3 (March, 1995)
- "Mediation: A Way To Keep Health-care Disputes Out of Court"
Los Angeles County Medical Association-*LACMA Physicians Magazine*,(Sept,1995)
- "What to Look For in a Legal Malpractice Expert Witness"
Los Angeles Daily Journal, Verdicts and Settlements (Nov. 29, 1996)
- "Avoiding the Pitfalls of the Legal Malpractice Lawsuit"
Los Angeles Daily Journal, Verdicts and Settlements (Jan. 31, 1997)
- "When Does a 'Blown' Statute of Limitations Lead to a Legal Malpractice Claim"
Los Angeles Daily Journal, Verdicts and Settlements (March 21, 1997)

Articles (cont'd)

- “The Malicious Prosecution Case Against Attorneys”
Los Angeles Daily Journal, Verdicts and Settlements (May 16, 1997)
- “The Duty to Give ADR Advice”
Los Angeles Daily Journal, Verdicts and Settlements (October 17, 1997)
- “Lawyers Who Pursue Unreasonable Actions May Be Sued By the Prevailing Defendants” *Los Angeles Daily Journal, Verdicts and Settlements* (August 14, 1998)
- “Is It Really Legal Malpractice?”
California Lawyer (February 1999)
- “Frequently Asked Questions About Legal Malpractice” (1999)
Los Angeles County Bar Association Website - www.SmartLaw.Org
- “Jury Trials”
Long Beach Press Telegram (July 8, 2001)
- “Attacks on Trial Lawyers Are Really Attacks on Victims” (Op Ed)
Long Beach Press Telegram (January 19, 2003)
- “Informed Consent: The Duty to Disclose Medical Risks”
ADVOCATE, Vol. 31, No. 4 (April 2004)
- “The Life of a Trial Lawyer”
Voir Dire, The Journal of the American Board of Trial Advocates (Winter, 2004)
- “Get the Papers”
California Lawyer (November 2004)
- “Legal Malpractice: “ What it is, What it isn’t, and How to prosecute it. “
ADVOCATE, Vol.32, No. 6 (June, 2005)
- “Giving in to get your way: A counter-intuitive approach to litigation.”
ADVOCATE, Vol.33, No. 4 (April 2006)
- “Good Counsel: Don’t get into a spitting match.”
TRIAL, Vol 42, No. 7 (July 2006)

Textbooks

- Contributor to *Social Security Practice Guide* (Vol. 2), (Matthew Bender,1983)

Editor/Consultant

- CEB Action Guide: *Meeting Statutory Deadlines During and After Litigation* (1992, 1994, 1996)

Law Review

- "The Right to Counsel at the Pretrial Hearing for Probable Cause,"
Western State University Law Review, Vol. 3, No. 1 (Fall, 1975)

Professional Memberships

- National Board of Trial Advocacy
- American Board of Trial Advocates
- Association of Trial Lawyers of America
- Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles
- Consumer Attorneys of California
- Long Beach Bar Association
- Los Angeles County Bar Association
- Orange County Bar Association

Practice Areas: Civil trials and appeals, specializing in professional malpractice, personal injury, fraud, insurance, employment, contract, business and real estate. Arbitrator/mediator for American Arbitration Association and Los Angeles/Orange County Superior Courts

Community: Board of Directors/Executive Committee, Long Beach Symphony Association

Personal Interests: Aikido (martial art), Skiing, Gardening, Music, Theater

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