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Primary Areas of Expertise

Healthcare
Breach of Contract
Trade Secrets
Business Entities
Insurance
Billing and Collection
Business Torts

Professional Summary

Vast experience as both litigator and business lawyer with broad understanding of business entities, securities, contracts, business transactions, compliance and regulation resulting in efficient and fair resolution of ADR cases.

As former in-house counsel and private practitioner have experience with diverse range of parties and legal issues and have developed a clear understanding of the dynamics and challenges facing plaintiffs and defendants in litigation and arbitration.

Graduate of top law school. Large law firm experience.

Familiar with complex cases involving multiple parties. Able to separate the wheat from the chaff to save the parties time and money.

Current Employer-Title

Independent Commercial Arbitrator, Amador Law Corporation

Profession

Full-time Commercial Arbitrator

Work History

Principal, Amador Law Corporation, 2000-present; Independent ADR Neutral, 2016-present; Associate General Counsel and Vice-President, Maxicare Health Plans, Inc., 1988-2000; Chief Legal Counsel and Vice-President, Travelers Health Network, 1985-1988; General Counsel, Kindschi & Associates, Inc., 1985-1988; Associate, Jeffer Mangels Butler & Marmaro, 1983-1985; Associate, Paul Hastings Janofsky & Walker, 1980-1983.

Healthcare Experience

Litigated healthcare actions in state and federal court involving healthcare matters, including ERISA, Knox-Keene Act, Medicaid, Medicare reimbursement, covenants not to compete, MCO liability, billing, coding, medical necessity,

coverage issues, and Affordable Care Act.

Represented healthcare clients in various transactions including, mergers, sales of practices, network service agreements, IPAs, and physician shareholder and partnership agreements.

Represented creditors in hospital/HMO bankruptcies, and litigated claims involving insolvent IPA, a healthcare IT company in healthcare data exchange, healthcare providers regarding network participation and exclusion, medical groups contracting with HMOs and PPOs, entities investing in a medical device company, and investors in surgery center company.

Organized numerous professional corporations and healthcare LLCs. Negotiated and prepared IPA Agreements and IPA-MSO Agreements.

Expert witness in healthcare litigation.

Experience

Over 40 years' experience both as in-house counsel and outside counsel in private practice representing businesses and individuals as litigator and business lawyer.

Litigation in federal and state court, including jury trials.

Mediated and arbitrated hundreds of cases as neutral and advocate. Represented clients in various business transactions including, mergers, sales of businesses, shareholder and partnership actions, securities, and collection matters.

Practice focused mainly business and healthcare litigation. Represented clients in various business transactions including, mergers, sales of businesses, shareholder and partnership actions, securities, and collection matters.

Have broad experience in litigation involving collections, breach of contract, insurance claims, real estate transactions, employment, unfair competition, trade secrets and negligence.

Have litigated and served as neutral in several multiparty and complex cases involving millions of dollars in damages.

Healthcare Dispute Resolution Experience

Arbitrated as Chair and single arbitrator, and mediated, numerous complex, multi-million-dollar business and healthcare cases, including disputes involving shareholders, partners, payors and providers, ERISA, Medicare and Medicaid, billing, coding, medical necessity, surgery centers, IT service providers, dialysis companies, health plans, provider networks, management service organizations and independent practice associations.

As advocate have represented healthcare clients in various matters including trade secret, unfair competition, collections. breach of contract, licensing and regulatory

matters.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience

Arbitrated as neutral and advocate in hundreds of commercial, healthcare, business, real estate and negligence disputes, including multiparty and complex cases involving millions of dollars in damages. Respected for well-reasoned and fair cost-effective arbitrations. Experienced as chair of arbitration panels and in virtual arbitrations.

HEALTHCARE: Experienced as neutral in numerous healthcare disputes involving utilization management, coordination of benefits, coding, repricing, medical necessity, overpayments, Knox-Keene, HIPAA, FCA, ERISA, ACA, out-of-network claims, non-competes, shareholder and LLC disputes, software contracts, administrative services only arrangements, and insurance coverage, and cases involving claims of misrepresentation, breach of fiduciary duty, exhaustion of remedies, statutes of limitation, interference with contractual relations, interference with prospective economic advantage, quantum meruit, breach of contract, breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing and unfair competition. Cases have involved hospitals and hospital systems, medical groups, IPAs, leased provider networks, third-party administrators, health insurance companies, health plans, PPOs, MSOs, surgery centers, long-term treatment facilities, behavioral health facilities, and renal dialysis companies.

BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL: Experienced as neutral in numerous disputes involving trade secrets, partnership and shareholder disputes, real estate financing and transactions, technology, breach of privacy, personal injury, negligence, breach of warranty, defamation, bank foreclosures and guarantees, attorney lien financing, international sales, software disputes, insurance coverage disputes, unfair competition, false advertising collections, insurance coverage and claim disputes, and breach of service agreements. Cases have involved many different industries including banking and finance, real estate brokerage, software, retail, manufacturing, auto, and insurance.

Panel Mediator, U.S. District Court, Central District of California.

Panel Mediator, Los Angeles Superior Court.

Strauss Institute for Dispute Resolution, Pepperdine University School of Law, Certified Mediator, (2001).

Member, ADR Committee, California Lawyers Association, Litigation Section.

National commercial and healthcare arbitrator and mediator on several ADR provider organization panels including, AAA, AHLA and CPR.

Technology Proficiency

Proficient in virtual arbitration hearings, ESI, AI and blockchain issues. Tech Cred executive credential, New York Law School (2025).

Education

Stanford Law School (JD-1979); Pomona College (BA, *cum laude*-1976); American College (Chartered Financial Consultant-1989).

Professional Licenses	California State Bar (1980). United States District Court Central and Northern Districts of California; United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit; United States Supreme Court.	
Professional Associations	California Lawyers Association; American Health Law Association; Los Angeles County Bar Association, Litigation and Health Sections.	
Recent Publications & Speaking Engagements	<p>2020- Article, "Ruling Emphasizes Need To Clarify Who Decides Arbitrability", L. A. Daily Journal;</p> <p>2021- Article, "Limitations on Arbitrator's Power To Issue Discovery Subpoenas To Non-Parties Under the FAA", AHLA, Health Law Weekly;</p> <p>2022- Article, "Power of Arbitrators To Decide Arbitrability-Delegation Clauses- Lessons from Caselaw", California Litigation; and</p> <p>2023- Webinar, Binding Non-signatories In Arbitration", California Lawyers Association.</p>	
Locations Where Parties Will Not be Charged for Travel Expenses	Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego Counties, California.	
Citizenship Languages	United States of America English; Spanish	
Compensation	Hearing: Study: Cancellation: Cancellation Period: Comment:	\$6000.00/Day \$600.00/Hr \$1500.00/Day 10 Days A cancelation fee of \$1,500 per scheduled hearing day will be charged if the cancelation occurs less than ten calendar days in advance of the beginning of the scheduled hearing. No charge for travel time in the U.S. or internationally. Actual expenses for travel such as food, meals, lodging and transportation if any will be charged. Global availability.