LITIGATION/ARBITRATION/MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

Experience in all types of civil matters except family law; for example, personal injury litigation (for both plaintiffs and defendants) including professional liability (e.g., real estate brokers/agents; engineers; appraisers), automobile and aviation-related cases; medical malpractice; insurance policy interpretation and coverage; insurance bad faith; products liability; commercial loan transactions; foreclosure of security interests on real and personal property; collection and enforcement of judgments; real estate purchase/sale/lease agreements; intellectual property ownership and rights; employment matters; securities and investment; partnership and close-corporation/LLC disputes; negotiation and enforcement of construction-related contracts; construction contract disputes; U.C.C. and commercial matters; and enforcement of notes and commercial paper.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

Judge Pro Tempore of the Arizona Court Appeals, Division One (1995).

Judge Pro Tempore of the Maricopa County Superior Court, Civil Division (1987-2005). Presided over more than 75 trials (both bench trials and jury trials) involving claims of wrongful repossession and wrongful disposition of consigned property, as well as real property disputes and personal injury cases. As participant in Pro Tem Settlement Conference Project (1994-2005), presided over numerous settlement conferences, the large majority of which involved personal injuries and were successful.

Judge Pro Tempore of the Maricopa County Superior Court, Criminal Division (1998-2005). Presided over plea calendars; sentencings; extradition calendar; and probation violation calendar.

Full-Time, Paid Judge Pro Tempore of the Maricopa County Superior Court (January through November, 1999). While assigned a Special Assignment Calendar for four months, presided over lengthy civil and criminal trials including a four-week ERISA-related professional liability action and a medical malpractice/civil rights suit against a county and sheriff. Also covered motion calendars for unavailable judges, handled numerous criminal and civil appeals from the justice and municipal courts, and covered a criminal commissioner's calendar for six months.

Arbitrator for the United States District Court for the District of Arizona (1993-Present). Have been assigned personal injury and commercial cases.

Private Arbitrator. Selected by parties to arbitrate personal injury, insurance, and commercial disputes, and by Maricopa Superior Court to preside over binding arbitration agreed to by the parties.

Private Mediator. Trained by the Arizona Department of Education (32-hour program in 1995) for Special Education Mediation. Completed training program by United States Arbitration & Mediation (40-hour program in 1995, which met the curriculum guidelines established by the Arizona Dispute Resolution Association).

Mediator/Arbitrator for American Arbitration Association, Commercial and Insurance-Related Disputes.

Certified Arbitrator (Panel Chair qualified)/Mediator for the Financial Industry Regulatory Agency (FINRA) and its predecessor National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD)

Certified Mediator for the Arizona Association of Realtors

Arbitrator/Mediator for National Arbitration and Mediation

Arbitrator for National Arbitration Forum

Mediator/Arbitrator for ADR Systems of America

Admitted to practice law before the Arizona Supreme Court and all lower state courts (1980); United States Supreme Court (1992); the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (1982); and the United States District Court for the District of Arizona (1980).

Member of the State Bar of Arizona; Maricopa County Bar Association

Member of Association for Conflict Resolution.

Volunteer Bar Counsel (Matter of Kersting, 151 Ariz. 171, 726 P.2d 587 (1986))

Volunteer with Maricopa County Volunteer Lawyers Program. Selected Volunteer of Month for November 1986, June 1992, and December 1995; recipient of Arizona Supreme Court Distunguished Service Award in 2011 for career-long pro bono service.

Panelist for Continuing Legal Education seminars on mediation/arbitration procedures and advocacy; consumer rights and remedies; discovery; summary judgment practice; and the U.C.C. Role play coach for various mediation training programs. Faculty member for Arizona Appellate Institute in 1997 and 1999. Have also participated in clinics for Arizona Tenants Association.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Attorney--Law Office of Marc Kalish. Practice limited to providing third-party neutral services, including mediation, arbitration and private judging. (2/04-Present)

Attorney/Of counsel--Meyer Hendricks, P.L.L.C (f/k/a Meyer, Hendricks & Bivens, P.A.). Practice limited to providing third-party neutral services, including mediation, arbitration and private judging, and some litigation assistance and consulting services at the trial and appellate court levels to firm attorneys. (3/01-2/04)

Attorney--Law Office of Marc Kalish. Practice concentrated on providing third-party neutral services, including mediation, arbitration and private judging, but also provided litigation assistance and consulting services at the trial and appellate court levels. Have mediated and arbitrated many personal injury and commercial disputes. (11/96-3/01)

Attorney--Kalish Forrester, P.C. (Formerly, Law Offices of Marc Kalish, P.C.; then Kalish & Forrester, P.C.; then Kalish, Forrester & Torres, P.C.). General civil litigation practice. (9/84-11/96)

Attorney--Fennemore, Craig, von Ammon, Udall & Powers, Phoenix, Arizona. Practice limited to civil litigation. (6/80 to 9/84)

Fighter Pilot--United States Air Force. Honorable discharge with rank of captain. (7/69 to 8/77)

EDUCATION

1977-1980 Georgetown University Law Center, J.D. (Magna cum laude)

Staff member of Georgetown Law Journal

Recipient of International Association of Trial Lawyers award as outstanding advocate

1965-1969 Purdue University, B.S.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- June 2000-Present State Bar Appointee to Board of Directors, Community Legal Services (Board President, 2005-06; committee chair for Budget/Audit, Alternative Dispute Resolution, and Strategic Planning Committees).
- Approx. 2000-Present Special advisor to governing board of Volunteer Lawyers Program

- April 2007-Present Volunteer Member of the Board of the National Myasthenia Gravis Foundation; Treasurer and Chairperson of the Board Finance Committee. The Foundation serves those afflicted with myasthenia gravis, a rare neuromuscular disease.
- May 1997-April 2000 Volunteer Member of the Board of the National Myasthenia Gravis Foundation; Chairperson of the Board Audit Committee
- April 1992-April 1996 Volunteer Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the National Myasthenia Gravis Foundation.
- 1986-1992 President of the Arizona Chapter of the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation.
- 1981-1993 Arizona Interscholastic Association football official.