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EDUCATION:

YALE LAW SCHOOL, J.D. 1981.

Yale Law Journal, Articles and Book Review Editor

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY, A.B. 1974, magna cum laude.

University Scholar, 1973-74 (Political & Social Philosophy)

Class of 1879 Prize (best senior thesis in ethics)

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT:

BERKELEY CENTER FOR LAW, BUSINESS & THE ECONOMY, UC Berkeley
School of Law, Berkeley, CA
Executive Director, 2007 – present

MBV LAW LLP, San Francisco, CA. [successor to Mandel, Buder & Verges and to
Cassidy & Verges].

Of Counsel, 1997-2007; Director & Shareholder, 1993-1997.

- Legal and business advisor to early stage companies, particularly in the life sciences, including business plan development, intellectual property licensing, facilities acquisition, leasing, equipment financing, private investment, recapitalizations, mergers and acquisitions, advisory board structuring, and various day to day operational matters.
- Advisor to public and private companies on enterprise structuring, finance, executive compensation and board of directors duties.
- Lead negotiator for State of California Department of General Services team restructuring its telecommunications (voice and data) services contracts with SBC and MCI-WorldCom (approximate contract value of \$750 million).
- Advisor to local governments, non-profit corporations and private entities on public-private partnerships.

SAN FRANCISCO CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Special Assistant to City Attorney Louis H. Renne, 1988-1993.

- Led City of San Francisco legal team in negotiation and drafting of Mission Bay Development Agreement and related infrastructure and housing subsidy financing plans for 315 acre mixed use “new community” adjacent to downtown San Francisco. Project included one of the largest land sales in San Francisco history and proposed approximately 8000 housing units, 5 million sq. ft. of office space, 1 million sq. ft. of commercial/industrial space, 70 acres of parks, 750,000 sq. ft. of retail space and required creating novel public infrastructure financing plans and hazardous materials remediation programs, arranging for special legislation and approvals from state and regional regulators and extensive public review processes.
- Oversaw legal aspects of special investment program for \$5 billion public retirement system

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portfolio and advised retirement system Board of Trustees on fiduciary duties, conflicts of interest, Political Reform Act Compliance and investment matters.

- Frequent presenter and advisor, in public and executive session, to City boards and commissions, including Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, Redevelopment Commission, Health Services Commission and Retirement Board.

MORRISON & FOERSTER, San Francisco, CA.

Associate, 1982-88.

- Coordinated legal, business and finance teams in negotiated merger and acquisition transactions including: European companies' asset acquisition of California and European agricultural products firm; financial institution mergers; acquisitions of electronics development and sales businesses; Korean steel producer joint venture with American counterpart for modernization of largest cold rolled steel mill in western United States.
- Special advisor to senior management of Fujitsu Limited as part of attorney team in multi-billion dollar intellectual property dispute with IBM.
- Co-founder and initial legal strategist of national organization of non-profit financial institutions that fund housing and commercial development as part of community revitalization and job creation programs, including developing strategies for state and federal securities and tax laws compliance, assisting in obtaining U.S. Department of Treasury modification of original issue discount rules, corporate organizational planning and implementation of peer review strategies.

TEACHING POSITIONS:

STANFORD LAW SCHOOL.

Member, Program in Stem Cells and Society, 2005-Present.

Lecturer in Law, 1989-98.

STANFORD GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS.

Lecturer in Public Management, 1993-1994.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES, SCHOOL OF LAW.

Visiting Professor of Law, 1986-87.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES; BOARDS:

**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY; SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH
Dean's Policy Advisory Council: Current Chairperson; Member since 1999.**

**GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF SAN FRANCISCO, SAN MATEO AND MARIN
COUNTIES, INC.**

**Board of Directors: Member, 1999-present.
Chair, Social Enterprise Task Force
Member, Executive & Finance Committee**

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION.

SECTION ON REAL PROPERTY, PROBATE AND TRUSTS.

Chair, Committee on Government Assistance to Real Estate Development.

**FORUM ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT LAW.**

Chair, Community Economic Development Practice Group 1994-98.

NATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAW CENTER.

Board of Directors: Chairman 1988-91; Member, 1985-88.

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT LOAN
FUNDS.**

Co-Founder, Member Board of Directors, 1985-86; Legal Adviser, 1986-88.

**National organization of locally based financial institutions that make capital and technical
assistance available to projects providing low income persons with housing and jobs.**

**CALIFORNIA BAR ASSOCIATION; COMMISSION ON INTEREST ON
LAWYERS' TRUST ACCOUNTS.**

Special Counsel.

**Provided advice and drafted regulations regarding the use of IOLTA funds for capital
investments such as real estate and equipment**

OTHER BUSINESS ACTIVITIES AND EMPLOYMENT:

THE STEM CELL ADVISORS, INC., Palo Alto, CA

Director and CFO, 2008 – present

- nonprofit public benefit corporation providing review and oversight of stem cell research for regulatory and ethical compliance with state and federal guidelines

SYNEXIS CG, LLC, San Francisco, CA.

Founder and Managing Principal, 2003 –2004.

- Consulting group for emerging biotechnology and life science companies that specialized in strategic planning; assisting university technology licensing offices and investigators to translate their research into commercial products; operational and financial management; corporate/business development; and licensing/acquisition of technology.

HON. ROBERT L. CARTER, U.S. DISTRICT COURT, S.D.N.Y.

Law Clerk, 1981-82.

PUBLICATIONS

Plomer A, Taymor KS, Scott CT, “Challenges to human embryonic stem cell patents.” *Cell Stem Cell*, 2008; 2: 1: 13-7.

Taymor, K, Scott, CT, and Greely, HT, “The paths around stem cell intellectual property.” *Nat Biotechnol*, 24: 4: 411-413.