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Practice Areas:

Mr. Block practices in the following areas:

Employment Law
Intellectual Property and Trade Secrets
Unfair Competition Litigation
Complex Commercial Litigation
Internal Investigations

Representative Matters:

- Won bench trial against former employees of client's manufacturer who used stolen customer list to sell competing product. Judgment included injunctive relief prohibiting defendants from making sales to client's customers for three years.
- Won jury trial against company for breach of CEO's employment contract.
- Prosecuted claim for major talent agency against television actress and obtained \$1 million award from the California Labor Commissioner.
- Obtained summary judgment for employer in wage-and-hour class action alleging that employer was required to include value of employee discounted cable, phone and internet services in overtime rate of pay.
- Represented a rights holder in lawsuit against a mini-major studio for failure to pay contingent compensation on a theatrically released trilogy which generated \$3 billion in worldwide box office revenue. Obtained a favorable settlement on the eve of trial.
- Defeated motion for certification of class in wage-and-hour action brought against an automobile glass company.
- Obtained summary judgment for television production executive in action brought by employee who denied engaging in sexual harassment and claimed his employment was wrongfully terminated.

- Defended major talent agency in class action age discrimination lawsuit first filed in federal district court and then in the California Superior Court. Negotiated favorable settlement of claims.
- Negotiated CEO employment and investment contract with premium apparel company.

Education:

Northwestern University School of Law, Chicago, Illinois
J.D., *cum laude*, 1984

Honors:

Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology*

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee
B.A., *with Highest Honors*, 1981

Published Decisions:

- *Alch v. Time Warner*, 122 Cal. App. 4th 339 (2004)
- *Alch v. Time Warner*, 165 Cal. App. 4th 1412 (2008)
- *Higgins v. Superior Court*, Case No. B200885 (Cal. Ct. App. Mar. 18, 2009)
- *Corona v. Time Warner Cable, Inc.*, Case No. CV 13-5521 (PSG) (VBKx) (C.D. Cal. Oct. 16, 2014)

Professional Activities:

- Consistently recognized as one of Southern California's "Super Lawyers" by *Los Angeles Magazine* from 2005 to 2015
- Los Angeles County Bar Association
- Westwood Village Rotary Club (Former Vice President, Past Chair of International, Vocational and Youth Committees)
- Cub Scout Pack 759 (Former Cubmaster and Den Leader)

Bar and Court Admissions:

- State Bar of California

- Admitted to practice in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth and the Eleventh Circuits, the United States District Courts for the Northern, Central and Southern Districts of California, and all Courts of the State of California