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Mark Friedman focuses his practice on business-related litigation and dispute resolution. Mr. Friedman is both experienced and effective in class action and multiparty litigation. As a former CPA, he effectively applies his financial accounting background to the business litigation environment. He has represented clients in numerous cases involving significant financial and business transactional losses. His emphasis is in directors and officers, accountants, trustees, and other professional liability claims and litigation, and related insurance coverage issues.

His experience covers a broad range of disputes including securities fraud, common law fraud, breach of fiduciary duties, breach of contract, corporate waste, appropriation of trade secrets, tortious interference with business opportunities, unlawful trade practices, business defamation, construction defect or delay, hostile environment, and wrongful discharge employment claims and fidelity bond claims in Oregon, Washington, California, Utah, Idaho and Alaska. Mr. Friedman has devoted a 30-year legal career to successfully representing individual, corporate and institutional clients (including Japanese corporate clients) in substantial litigation and dispute resolution environments.

Mr. Friedman has been a public speaker for Law Seminars International, the Oregon Bankers Association, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Oregon State Bar, and Oregon Society of Certified Public Accountants. He has conducted training and legal education seminars on diverse topics such as trial techniques, presentation of complex damages evidence, director and officer liability claim avoidance and insurance coverages, corporate risk avoidance and professional ethics for lawyers and CPAs.

Mr. Friedman has authored several articles on professional conduct and legal liability issues affecting accountants, certified valuation analysts, and their clients, and has published document retention guidelines for members of the Oregon Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Education

- ▶ University of Illinois, J.D., 1973
- ▶ University of Illinois, B.S., *cum laude*, 1970
 - ▶ Phi Eta Sigma
 - ▶ Phi Kappa Phi
 - ▶ Edmund J. James Scholar

Admissions

- Oregon, 1973
- U.S. District Court, District of Oregon, 1973
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 10th Circuit, 1992
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit, 1993
- U.S. District Court, District of Utah
- U.S. District Court, District of Alaska
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California

Professional Recognition

- ▶ Named by peers to *The Best Lawyers in America* in the area of Commercial Litigation, 2011
- ▶ Listed in Martindale-Hubbell Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers for Commercial Litigation, 2010
- ▶ Named by peers as a "Super Lawyer" in *Oregon Super Lawyers* magazine, 2006-2010
- ▶ Martindale-Hubbell AV/5.0 Peer Review Rated

Professional Activities

- ▶ Member, Oregon State Bar, Business Litigation Section, Litigation Section, and Labor and Employment Section
- ▶ Member, American Bar Association, Litigation Section, Tort and Insurance Practice Section, Fidelity and Surety Law Committee, Professionals', Officers' and Directors' Liability Committee, and Trial Techniques Committee
- ▶ Member, Federal Bar Association
- ▶ Member, Multnomah County Bar Association

Community Activities

- ▶ Member, Rotary Club of Portland

Publications

- ▶ "Mediation in Business Litigation: Role of the Advocate," Oregon State Bar, *Alternative Dispute Resolution Newsletter*, Winter 2006/2007.
- ▶ "Privileges and Conflicts of Interest: Special Legal and Ethical Challenges Facing Today's Corporate Counsel," American Bar Association, August 2003.
- ▶ "Should We Keep It? Document Retention and Destruction," *The Valuation Examiner*, January/February 2003.
- ▶ "Document Retention and Destruction: What's All the Fuss?," *The Oregon Certified Public Accountant*, November 2002.

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