

EXPERT WITNESS LEGAL MALPRACTICE

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Legal Malpractice

Phillip Feldman: Legal Malpractice Expert

After obtaining two evening study degrees from U.S.C., he commenced representing clients against their attorneys or former attorneys upon admission to the California Bar in 1967 and defending attorneys under attack from their clients or former clients. In addition he was an **ethics prosecutor for the State Bar** (today he defends lawyers before State Bars). From that time to the present, he has supervised other attorneys and personally handled substantial numbers of legal malpractice cases in all phases of transaction and litigation. He is defense counsel on behalf of professionals in professional negligence and disciplinary matters and has always practiced on both sides of the Bar. Admitted U.S. District Court 1967, U.S. Supreme Court 1984.

In professional liability and professional responsibility, he consults in preventative law and risk management.

Transactional and Litigation Malpractice

For over 22 years, his expert assignments locally and nationally for "underlying matters" have involved both **Transactional and Litigation** malpractice (prosecution or defense).

Specific fields include: Every aspect of real property including acquisition, sale, encumbrance/security, development and construction, closing; all aspects of commercial, corporate and partnership, contracts and disputes; equitable relief and equity, securities, mergers; IPO's, buy/sell; general and specialty fields of law including: accounting; wills, trusts, and probate; family, matrimonial, dissolution, divorce, adoption, domestic partners; insurance coverage, professional malpractice; insurance; errors & omissions coverage; class actions; real estate; dental; accounting; product liability, premise liability; toxic torts, intentional torts; negligence; criminal; workers compensation, employment, wrongful termination; bankruptcy; sexual offenses; bad faith, juvenile, et al.

This listing is not all inclusive and includes testimony on standard of care, standard of conduct, informed consent, breach of fiduciary duties, proximate, legal, and actual cause.

Over 36 Years Experience

As a practicing senior partner involved in transactions and litigation and sole practitioner thereafter, his thirty-six (36) years in the specialties of Professional Liability and Professional Responsibility required his undertaking hands-on, direct, personal experience advocating in many of the above fields. His consultation practice requires assisting in personal research and problem solving in most of the "specialty" areas of law today which used to be part of the general practitioner's portfolio.

Board-Certified Specialist

Mr. Feldman is board certified by the American Bar Association, American Board of Professional Liability Attorneys and the state of California in Professional Negligence Medical and Legal. A board-certified specialist in Professional Negligence (legal malpractice) is, after all, the profession's closest thing to "a general practitioner" required to continually keep abreast of the dynamics of "the law".

Ethics

Mr. Feldman is a former State Bar Prosecutor & former local bar Professional Responsibility & Ethics Chair. Today he defends lawyers before the bar and consults in all states. His State Bar defense includes admissions, discipline, states other than California and consulting. He is well versed in ABA Rules of Professional Conduct and their use in 42 jurisdictions, Disciplinary Rules of N.Y. and other states, and CA Rules of Professional Conduct. He was a contributor to ABA's Ethics 2000 changes and is very active in the field of professional responsibility.

Former Examiner (Prosecutor), State Bar of California
Present Defense Counsel for Attorney/Respondents before CA Bar
Present consultant on ethics and disciplinary matters, all jurisdictions.

Business

Messenger, United Lawyers Service, Manhattan, New York City at the age of 14. (Family lawyer suggested: "Take Latin and work there after school.")

Combat Infantry Leader, United States Army

P. Feldman Book-Keeping Service

Accountant, M. Koffman Chartered Public Accountant, CPA

Engineering Fiscal Coordinator, Hoffman Electronics Corporation

Contract Supervisor, Collins Radio Company

Manager, Budgets, Reports & Procedures, Radio Corporation of America

Accountant, Packard- Bell

Administrator, Federal/State Project (Solution of Social Problems Using Aerospace Techniques; Prevention & Control of Crime & Delinquency) Space General Corporation of Aerojet-General Corp.

Manager, Contract Writing, Asst. Mgr. Procurement, McDonnell Douglas Corporation

Dispute Resolution

Judge Pro Tem 27 years

CA Superior Court

Ca Municipal Court

Ca Workers Compensation Appeals Board

Ca Small Claims Court

Settlement Officer, CA Superior Court

Civility Referee, CA Superior Court

Mediator, Attorney-Attorney disputes

Arbitrator, Attorney-Client Disputes, 29 years, LA County Bar Association