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## **EMPLOYMENT**

Pierson, Coats, Palash & Paul, LLP - Partner - Family Law Practice

## **CERTIFICATION**

State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization - Family Law

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVIES - FAMILY LAW

## State Bar of California - Family Law Section

1995 - 1996 Chair
1994 Vice-Chair
1994 CLE Chair
1993 Secretary
1992 - 1995 Executive Board Member

### American Bar Association - Family Law Section

1997 - 2003 - Executive Governing Council Member

1995 - 1997 - Chair - 1997 annual Meeting Host Committee

1995 - 1998 - Pro Bono Committee Chair

1988 - 1995 - Family Law Practitioner's Committee Chair

### Kids' Turn

1999 - 2001 - Board President

1997 - 2002 - Board of Directors

#### Collaborative Practice San Francisco

1998 - 2000 - Founding Board Member 2012 - 2015 - Board Member

#### **Collaborative Practice Marin**

2016 – 2018 – Co-President 2011 – 2018 – Board Member

#### **Bar Association of San Francisco**

1988 - Chair - Family Law Section
 1986 - 1989 - Executive Committee Chair for State Bar Conference of Delegates Family
 Law Team - authored original draft of Civil Code Section 4515
 1987 - Chair - Barristers Club Family Law Committee

#### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

#### **Bar Association of San Francisco**

1990 - 1991 - Board of Directors 1989 - 1992 - Judicial Review Committee 1988 - 1998 - Arbitrator - Fee Dispute Panel 1985 - 1989 - Executive Committee for State Bar Conference of Delegates 1986 - President - Barristers Club 1984 - 1986 - Barristers Club, Board of Directors 1982 - 1984 - CLE Chair

#### State Bar of California

California Young Lawyers Association

1987 - 1990 - Board of Directors 1988 - 1990 - CLE Chair

#### **American Bar Association**

Young Lawyers Division

1985 - 1987 - Assembly Delegate 1986 Host Committee

## **PUBLICATIONS**

ABA Barrister Magazine - "Discovery in Complex Family Law Dissolution Cases" Summer - 1989

CEB Action Guide - "Planning and Conducting Family Law Discovery" Spring - 1993, 2 Volume Set

ABA Family Advocate Magazine - "Maintaining a High Volume Practice" - Fall, 1994

CEB and Matthew/Bender - Consultant to various Family Law publications

## **HONORS**

Martindale-Hubbell – AV Preeminent Rating Northern California Super Lawyer

### **SPEAKER**

Numerous presentations at local, state, and national conferences.