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# Marshal A. Oldman, Esq.

### Mediator/Arbitrator

Mr. Oldman is a top-rated estate planning and probate attorney who has been in practice for 40 years as a founding partner with the firm of Oldman, Cooley, Sallus, Birnberg & Coleman LLP. Mr. Oldman has acted as a mediator and as an arbitrator (resulting from disputes after agreement in mediation) since 1995. He has chaired the probate sections of the San Fernando Valley and Los Angeles County bar associations and consulted with the Assembly Judiciary Committee on drafting probate legislation. Mr. Oldman has been recognized as a *Super Lawyer* annually since 2004.

#### **Practice Areas**

Probate and trust administration, conservatorships and estate planning.

## **Conflict Resolution Experience**

Mr. Oldman's experience as a mediator or arbitrator includes cases involving resolution of contests, accounting and fee disputes, allocation of assets between beneficiaries, appointment of fiduciaries, tax allocations and validity of joint and Totten Trust accounts.

Mr. Oldman has served as expert witness in probate, attorney fee, legal malpractice, and federal estate tax matters.

### **Organizations & Achievements**

- Chairman, San Fernando Valley Bar Probate Section (1978-1980).
- Member, Executive Committee of Los Angeles County Bar Association Probate Section (1983-1990).
- Chairman, Probate Section, County Bar Association (1988-1989).
- Chairman, Legislative Monitoring Committee of County Bar Probate Section 1985-1988; Member of Committee 1985 to present. Consult with staff of Assembly Judiciary Committee. Testified

before Assembly Judiciary on probate legislation for Los Angeles County Bar Probate Section.

- President, San Fernando Valley Bar Association (1989-1990); Member of Board of Trustees (1979-1981, 1986-1991).
- Chairman, Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Section of the State Bar of California (2002); Member of Executive Committee (1995-2006).
- Authored numerous articles for the San Fernando Valley Bar Bulletin, Probate Column for the Los Angeles Daily Journal, Journal of Western Legal History, and the Daily Journal Report.
- Numerous speeches before the Los Angeles County Bar Probate Section, San Fernando Valley Bar, Santa Monica Bar, Pasadena Bar, CEB, and other organizations.
- Public, California Board of Accountancy (2007-2014).

# **Education & Training**

- J.D., UCLA, 1976
- B.A., USC, 1973

Mr. Oldman is available throughout California.