



MICHAEL L. WACHTELL, ESQ.

Mediator/Arbitrator

An experienced arbitrator and mediator of complex cases, Michael Wachtell specializes in commercial litigation as well as intellectual property, real estate and receiverships. Mr. Wachtell has an extensive background in real estate, hospitality law, banking, commercial and secured transactions, mergers and acquisitions, insurance, proprietary rights, patent and trademark law, trade regulation matters and debtor-creditor representation. Mr. Wachtell received a degree in electrical engineering.

PRACTICE AREAS

Complex disputes including business/commercial, entertainment, and intellectual property issues.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION EXPERIENCE

A Shareholder in the firm of Buchalter Nemer Fields & Younger, Mr. Wachtell serves as Chair of the firm's Los Angeles Litigation Practice. In addition, Mr. Wachtell also focuses on complex commercial transactions, film finance, intellectual property, labor, real estate, securities and environmental law and receiverships. Most recently, Mr. Wachtell has been lead counsel in film finance disputes for clients involving amounts in dispute well over \$100M, has been lead counsel for a Federal Court appointed Receiver in a major mortgage fraud case and is advising several clients and/or serving as lead counsel on several significant trademark, patent and entertainment finance cases. Mr. Wachtell is also currently serving as a Receiver in a state regulatory receivership and as provisional director for a leading real estate company.

Mr. Wachtell also serves as General Counsel to an independent hotel company which owns and operates more than 14 hotel properties in several states.

Mr. Wachtell holds a California Real Estate Broker's license. He currently serves as the Co-Chair and Director of the Los Angeles/Orange County California Receivers Forum, and serves on the Board of the statewide parent organization.

ORGANIZATIONS & ACHIEVEMENTS

- Current member: Los Angeles County Bar Assoc., American Bar Association, Los Angeles Business Trial Lawyers Assoc., Los Angeles Patent Law Association.
- Admitted to the State Bars of California, Nevada, Virginia and Washington, DC, and to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
- Mr. Wachtell lectures extensively in his areas of specialization.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

- J.D., George Washington University National Law Center, Washington, DC (1968) *Summa Cum Laude*
- M.A. Candidate, Pepperdine University, Los Angeles, CA (1970)
- B.E.E., City College, New York, NY (1964) Zeta Beta Tau

Mr. Wachtell is based in Southern California and is available nationally and internationally.



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