



JAY RAKOW, ESQ.
Mediator • Arbitrator



As former general counsel for MGM and Paramount, as well as a founding partner of Christiansen Miller and former partner of Wyman Bautzer, Jay Rakow, Esq. brings a wealth of knowledge and experience as a neutral. He has litigated for both plaintiffs and defense in a wide variety of practice area. Particularly adept at entertainment matters, Mr. Rakow also excels at commercial disputes, complex litigation, employment and patent and copyright litigation.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER INC.

Los Angeles, California
Senior Executive Vice President and General Counsel
(of NYSE-listed parent company and operating companies)
August 2000 – April 2005; Consultant, April 2005 - present

CHRISTENSEN MILLER FINK JACOBS GLASER WEIL & SHAPIRO

Los Angeles, California
Founding Partner, 1988-1993,
September 1996 - August 2000
Head of Entertainment / Intellectual Property Practice

PARAMOUNT PICTURES CORPORATION

Los Angeles, California
Senior Vice President and General Counsel, January 1994 - July 1996
Senior Vice President and Deputy General Counsel, June 1993 - January 1994

WYMAN BAUTZER CHRISTENSEN KUCHEL & SILBERT

Los Angeles, California
Partner, 1984-1988, Associate 1980-1984

DEWEY BALLANTINE BUSHBY PALMER & WOOD

New York, New York; Associate, 1977-1980

EDUCATION

CORNELL LAW SCHOOL - Ithaca, New York

J.D. (cum laude) 1977
Chairman of Honor Committee and President, Cornell Law Student Association, 1976-1977
Peter Belfer Memorial Prize in Securities Regulation

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY - New York, New York

B.A. 1974 Major: Chemistry
Four years on Dean's List, New York State Regents Scholarship

ACTIVITIES

Member, Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences

Member, Cornell Law School Advisory Council

Member, American Bar Association (Sections on Intellectual Property and ADR); Los Angeles County Bar Association; Century City Bar Association 1986-1992 (Chairman, Section on Business Litigation, 1987)

Commercial Arbitration Panelist, American Arbitration Association

Member, Board of Directors, John Tracy Clinic (a free clinic for deaf preschool children)

Television Panelist, 1985-1986, "Law Forum" and "Gray Davis' Financial Forum," on Financial Network in Los Angeles

Chairman, Cornell Law School Class Reunions, 1982, 1987, 1992 and 1997

Member, Cornell Alumni Ambassador Network – interview undergraduate admissions applicants for Cornell; also engage in fundraising efforts for the law school

Appearances as guest speaker or panelist – various bar associations, Cornell Law School, USC Law School, Pepperdine Law School

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York

California

District of Columbia

United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

United States District Courts for the Northern, Southern and Central

Districts of California and the Northern, Southern and Eastern

Districts of New York