

RICHARD C. WATTERS

Biographic Resume

DATE OF BIRTH: August 9, 1947

RESIDENCE: Fresno, California

FAMILY: Wife - Diane
Son - Christopher (31 years) - Attorney
Married - 2 children

EDUCATION: 1969 - BS cum laude, California State University, Fresno
1970 - MBA, California State University, Fresno
1973 - JD, University of Santa Clara

COURTS: Admitted to practice before:

- 1974 - Supreme Court of the State of California
- 1974 - U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California
- 1976 - U.S. District Court, Northern District of California
- 1981 - U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- 1982 - U.S. Supreme Court
- 1984 - U.S. District Court, Central District of California

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Practice Limited to Plaintiff's Civil Litigation

Martindale-Hubbell Rating: "AV"

CERTIFICATIONS: 1980 - American Board of Trial Advocates
(Advocate; CAL-ABOTA Co-Trial Lawyer of the Year
2006)

1982 - Board Certified Civil Trial Advocate by the
National Board of Trial Advocacy

1989 - Fellow - International Society of Barristers

ASSOCIATION
AFFILIATIONS:

1993 - Fellow - American College of Trial Lawyers
(Northern California State Committee Chair -
2000-2002)

2004 - Fellow - International Academy of Trial Lawyers

2009 - Fellow - Litigation Counsel of America

American Bar Association

American Association for Justice

Fresno County Bar Association - Board of Directions
1978-1981; 2006-2009

State Bar of California

University of Santa Clara School of Law, Board of Visitors

American Inns of Court (Master) - 1992 - 1994

San Joaquin College of Law Board of Trustees
2005 to 2008

Consumer Attorneys of California

2012-2013 National Advisory Board Member of APITL
Association of Plaintiff Interstate Trucking Lawyers of America

LECTURER AND
PANELIST:

California Continuing Education of The Bar

1984 - Speaker, Preparing a Case for Trial The Last 100 Days

1984 - Speaker, Comparative Fault Practice

1986 - Speaker, How to Handle Evidence

1986 - Speaker, Handling Trial Objections

1987 - Speaker, Preparing and Examining Expert Witnesses in
Civil Litigation

1990 - Speaker and Moderator, Preparing and Examining Expert
Witnesses in Civil Litigation

Fresno Business Coalition Group

1986 - Speaker, Plaintiff's Side of the Deep Pocket and the Joint
and Several Liability Issues

San Joaquin College of Law

- 1981 - Panelist, The Second Annual Review of the Law - Tort Trends & Evidence
- 1986 - Speaker, How to Select Your Jury
- 1989 - Instructor in three hour course on Product Liability
- 1991 - Speaker, 1991 Updated: Personal Injury
- 1992 - Instructor in three hour course on Product Liability
- 1993 - Instructor, Ethics of Civil Trial Practice
- 1993 - Instructor, "So You Want to Make a Federal Case Out of It? Deciding Whether to Go to State or Federal Court"
- 1993 - Panelist For the Record Promoting Communication Among Attorneys, Judges & the Media
- 2000 - Panelist, "How to Walk and Talk in the Courtroom"
- 2007 - Instructor, 3 hour course in Product Liability

Society of Forensic Engineers and Scientists

- 1983 - Panelist, Expert Witnesses

37th Annual California Transportation and Public Works Conference

- 1985 - Speaker, Reducing Exposure to Tort Liability for the Plaintiff

Association of Defense Counsel of Northern California

- 1989 - Speaker, Litigation Techniques - Settlement
- 1998 - ADC/ASCDC Joint Summer Seminar - Mock Trial Panelist

Fresno Trial Lawyers Association and California Trial Lawyers Association

1991 - Panelist in the Fast Track Seminar

1991 - Speaker, The ABC's for Depositions

1994 - 33rd Annual Convention of the California Trial Lawyers Association, Liability for the Defective, Dangerous and Unsafe Product - Panelist

1997 - 36th Annual Convention of the Consumer Attorneys of California, Persuasive Openings and Closings at Trial - Panelist

Kings County Bar Association

1994 - Speaker at May Meeting Re: Ethics and Personal Injury Law

Johnsey Insurance Agency, Inc.

1994 - Speaker Re: Trial Practice and Insurance Law

American Board of Trial Advocates

1995 - Masters In Trial Co-Program Chair

1995 - Kiwanis Club of Corcoran

1999 - Masters In Trial - Program Panelist

2003 - Masters In Trial Program - Plaintiff Coordinator

2004 - Masters In Trial Program - Program Panelist
San Francisco, California

2005 - Masters In Trial Program - Program Panelist
Fresno, California

2006 - Masters Trial Notebook - California Ultimate Trial Notebook - Program Chair/Coordinator
Visalia, California

2006 - Speaker - ABOTA California Coast Chapter

2007 - Masters Trial Notebook - California Ultimate Trial
Notebook - Program Chair
Modesto, California

Fresno City College

1996 - Paralegal Class Re: Plaintiffs' Personal Injury
Practice

Barker & Associates MCLE Seminar

1999 - Speaker on Tort Law Practice

Corvel Corporation

1999 - Disability Management Employer Coalition class – Speaker
Re: Catastrophically Injured Plaintiffs and Return to Work.

Public Agency Risk Managers Association (PARMA)

Dec. 2006 - Speaker “Lawsuits: The Plaintiff’s Perspective”

Tulare County Bar Association

Feb. 2009 - Speaker “Ethics of Trial Practice in Federal and State
Courts”

Santa Clara University School of Law

March 2010 - Speaker “Ethics of Trial Practice in Federal and
State Courts”

Public Agency Risk Managers Association (PARMA)

October 2010 - Speaker “The Other Side of the Fence - Suing
Public Entities

PUBLICATIONS:

Watters, Richard: California Litigation. "Proving Damages for the
Severely Injured Client". Volume 3, Number 2, Page 21. (1990)

Watters, Richard C.; Gordon, Douglas L.: CTLA 33rd Annual Convention. "Passenger Car Fuel Containment Post-Crash Fire Cases". Page 108 (1994)

AWARDS:

Fresno County Young Lawyers Association 14th Annual Mentor Award - September 21, 2001

Fresno City College Distinguished Alumnus 2001-2002

Santa Clara University, School of Law's Alumni Special Achievement Award - 2005

County of Fresno Young Lawyers Association Blaine Pettitt Mentor Award, September 2011

OTHER:

Plaintiffs' Steering Committee, Liaison Counsel, Re: I-5 Dust Storm Complex Cases 1992 - 1994

Plaintiff's Counsel - Dora Smith vs. General Motors Corporation; et al.; Fresno County Superior Court No. 454255-1; RE: Date of Accident: November 29, 1991 - 15 Dust Storm Complex Cases Settled: July 31, 1996 for \$4,000,000.00 plus confidential settlement with General Motors

Plaintiff's Counsel - Blondy Davis v. Phoenix Air Group, Inc.; and Learjet, Inc., Federal District Court No. CVF-95 5696 REC DLB; RE: Fresno Learjet Crash, December 14, 1994; Settled: February 24, 1997 for \$12,250,000.00

Plaintiffs' Counsel - Palma v. Franciscan Friars of California, Inc.; et al., Tulare County Superior Court No. 98-182332; RE: Two Car Motor Vehicular Crash, January 11, 1998; Settled: October 6, 1998 for \$11,590,000.00

Plaintiffs' Counsel - Ruiz v. Watkins Motor Lines, Inc.; et al., Tulare County Superior Court No. 99-187482; RE: 14 Motor vehicle crash including Watkins Motor Lines and Schneider Nation Carriers, Inc., in a fog-related accident on November 14, 1998; Settled: February 7, 2001 for \$11,811,000.00

Plaintiff's Counsel - Chontong v. Steven Ray Parra; Monte Vista Trucking and Meza Brothers, Inc., Motor Vehicle v. Truck Accident; Merced County Superior Court No. 139240; RE: Date of Accident: March 13, 1997; Verdict Date: June 29, 2000; Amount: \$ 3,327,988.00 with Plaintiff assessed 50% comparative fault for a net verdict of \$1,663,994.00 along with costs of suit.

Plaintiffs' Co-Counsel - Waski v. State of California; et al., Kern County Superior Court No. 240535-RDR; RE: Date of Accident:

July 2, 1999, Roadway defect trial March 26, 2001-April 19, 2001;
Settled: April 19, 2001 (while jury our after a four week
bifurcated trial) for \$4,000,000.00 with State of California;
Confidential Settlement with Granite Construction and
\$500,000.00 with Alamo/Autonation

Plaintiffs' Counsel - Staley v. Parmod Kumar, M.D., Tulare
County Superior Court No. 01-195845; RE: Date Of Incident:
June 13, 2000 - August 29, 2000 (Date Of Death); Medical
Malpractice; Trial: December 3, 2002 - December 10, 2002; Jury
Verdict: December 12, 2002 for \$4,709,752.00 reduced by
MIRCA ACT to \$1,504,035.57

Plaintiffs' Counsel - Barnes v. Yecny Enterprises, Inc., dba Air San
Luis; et al., Fresno County Superior Court No. 01 CE CG 01242;
RE: Date of Accident: November 6, 2000, Cessna 340A Twin Prop
Airplane Crash, Fresno County; Settled: January 3, 2003 for
\$5,000,000.00 with USAIG for Yecny Defendants and
Confidential Settlement with Cessna

Plaintiff's Counsel - Doe v. Doe Utility Company; et al., San
Francisco County Superior Court No. 412494; RE: Date Of
Accident: May 6, 2002, Two Car Motor Vehicle Collision,
Madera County; Settled: September 11, 2003 for \$22,600,000.00

Plaintiffs' Counsel - Calderon v. Velocity Express Intermountain,
Inc.; et al., Fresno County Superior Court No. 02 CE CG 02924;
RE: Date of Accident: May 23, 2002, Head-On Truck v. Truck
Collision, Fresno County trial November 24, 2003 - December 22,
2003; Jury Verdict: December 24, 2003 for \$14,300,000.00 but
total paid was \$15,000,000.00

Plaintiffs' Counsel - Cavender v. Roe Utility Company, Fresno
County Superior Court No. 03 Ce CG 00987; RE: Date of
Accident: November 9, 2002, Electrocution; Settled on January 7,
2004 for \$4,500,000.00 with Roe Utility Company and for
\$7,500,000.00 with State of California for total of \$12,000,000.00

Plaintiffs' Counsel - Hall v. North American Industrial Services,
Inc.; et al., U.S. District Court - Eastern District Case Number
1:06-CV-00123-OWW-SMS; RE: Date of Accident: September
20, 2005, catastrophic burn injuries; Total Jury Verdict
\$27,514,746 - Reduced to: \$20,026,108.

Plaintiffs' Counsel - Ornelas v. Southern California Edison
Company; et al., Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 09 CE
CG 02744 DSB; RE: Date of Accident: January 25, 2009, Vehicle
versus Pedestrian; Total Jury Verdict plus Statutory Costs:
\$5,792,879.75 - March 1, 2011

Plaintiffs' Counsel - Reyes v. Lion Raisins, Inc.; et al., Fresno

County Superior Court, Case No.10 CE CG 03649 MWS; RE:
Date of Accident: September 17, 2010, Open Penetrating
Traumatic Brain Injury from Corner Iron that Dislodged from
Commercial Trailer; Total Jury Verdict \$11,876,655.82 - March
22, 2012 (On May 18, 2012, the Defendant paid \$12.5 Million
Cash to satisfy the Judgment)

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FRESNO, CALIFORNIA INDUCTED INTO
THE INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF TRIAL LAWYERS

Mr. Watters was recently inducted into the
International Academy of Trial Lawyers (IATL).

Membership in the Academy is limited to 500 Fellows from the United States. The qualifications for membership are very high and the consideration of nominees is very extensive and thorough. Outstanding skills and extensive experience as a trial lawyer, unimpeachable personal and professional character, integrity and honesty, are but a few of the necessary qualities of every nominee. Mr. Watters has been evaluated by his colleagues and the judges in his jurisdiction and has been highly recommended by them as possessing these qualifications and characteristics.

The International Academy of Trial Lawyers was chartered in 1954. In general, its purpose is to cultivate the science of jurisprudence, promote reforms in the law, facilitate the Administration of Justice, elevate the standards of integrity, honor and courtesy in the legal profession.