

McNamara, Ney, Beatty, Slattery, Borges & Ambacher LLP

SETH J. SCHWARTZ

Experience

December 2002 – present. Partner, **McNamara, Ney, Beatty, Slattery, Borges & Ambacher LLP**, 1211 Newell Avenue, Walnut Creek, CA. General litigation, probate litigation, real estate, insurance defense, including wrongful death, catastrophic injuries, molestation, claims against preschools, adventure and experiential program defense, varied private clients.

December 1989 – December 2002. Partner, **Strickland, Haapala, Altura, Harnett & Thompson, LLP**, 1939 Harrison Street, Oakland, CA. Insurance defense-personal injury, professional negligence (medical and legal), defamation, homeowner defense, wrongful death and catastrophic injuries. Private mediations. Varied private clients.

Seminars and Panels

October 2007 – Wilderness Risk Management Conference, NOLS, Banff, Canada – **“Lessons Learned Urban Pioneer Experiential Academy March 2003.”**

April 2003 – ATLA – Litigating Spinal Cord and Brain Injury Cases, New York, NY – **“A View From the Defense.”**

September 2002 – 4th Annual Medical and Legal Seminar; Brain Injury Association of America; Napa, California – **“The Defense Perspective.”**

March 2002 – ATLA National College of Advocacy; Mild to Severe Head Injury Cases; Houston, Texas – **“A View from the Defense.”**

February 1999-2001 – Auto Insurance Law and Accident Litigation in California, Oakland, California – **“Trial of the Case, Defendant’s Perspective.”** Sponsor – Lorman Educational Services, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

SMARTER Program Panelist, Contra Costa County Courts (settlement conferences/mediations).

Lectures

2009-2010 Guest Lecturer, Professional Responsibility/Legal Ethics, Professor London, USF School of Law

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February 2002 U.C. Davis School of Law – Negotiations and Settlements.

Educational Background

McGeorge School of Law, University of the Pacific, Sacramento, California. Juris Doctor, May 1981. Upper 22%.

University of California, Santa Barbara. Bachelor of Science, May 1976.

Member State Bar of California No. 103357
Contra Costa County Bar Association
Martindale and Hubbell AV rating

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