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Stanley W. Levy, Esq. *Mediator/Arbitrator*

Stan Levy, a well-known and respected litigator and senior counsel at the prestigious firm of Manatt, Phelps and Phillip, LLC, since 1998, is now mediating at ARC. Stan brings decades of experience in complex business litigation as well as insight and expertise in settling cases for major national and international companies. A peacemaker at heart, Stan specializes in addressing clients' needs and resolving issues such as intellectual property, licensing, business disputes and employment claims, including wage and hour class actions. In recent years, he focused more of his practice on mediation, often reaching across the table and co-mediating with opposing counsel to resolve disputes involving both federal and state enforcement agencies and private parties.

Practice Areas

Banking, Business/Contractual, Civil Rights, Employment, Entertainment, Government Agency, Intellectual Property, Product Liability, Securities.

In 1995, he was appointed by President Clinton to the White House Apparel Industry Partnership which developed standards to assure that apparel and footwear products made overseas and sold in the US comply with fair labor and employment standards.

Conflict Resolution Experience

Mr. Levy has handled matters involving the U.S. Department of Labor, the Federal Trade Commission, the U.S. Product Safety Commission, CalOSHA and California and New York state labor agencies. He has successfully litigated major disputes in federal and state courts. In 2005, he won a Writ of Mandate in the case of *Caliber Body Works v. Superior Court*, 134 Cal. App. 4th 365, which established the standards for bringing employment related claims under the California Private Attorney General Act (PAGA). He has represented talent agencies, business management firms and other clients in the entertainment industry. He has negotiated and litigated artist agreements, concerts, tours and merchandising, as well as multi-million-dollar licensing, endorsement and merchandizing agreements, and has represented major international companies in the fashion and apparel industry in litigation transactions and government relations including Tommy Hilfiger, Adidas and Williams-Sonoma. Representing the apparel industry, he worked with the Governor's office, the Department of Labor Standards Enforcement and human rights groups in drafting the California Labor Code Garment Manufacturing Act.

From 1992-1996, Mr. Levy served as General Counsel of the international fashion and apparel company Guess?, Inc., where he managed complex litigation, licensing and business transactions, government relations and the company's public offering.

Honors & Memberships

- Civil rights and public interest: Former Executive Director of the Western Center on Law and Poverty; first Executive Director of Public Counsel; Co-founder/ Board Member of Bet Tzedek – The House of Justice and recipient of its Commitment to Justice Award in 1994 and 2009; Founding National Director of the Holocaust Survivors Justice Network and recipient of the American Bar Association's Pro Bono Publico Award on its behalf
- *Super Lawyer* in Employment and Labor, 2005-2016; Lifetime Achievement Award, *American Lawyer* magazine, 2011; Attorney of the Year Award, *California Lawyer* magazine, 2009-2010
- Former adjunct professor, Loyola University School of Law
- Ordained Rabbi, Congregation B'nai Horin-Children of Freedom

Education & Training

- J.D., 1965, University of California, Los Angeles; *AmJur Award in Taxation*
- B.A., Economics, 1962, University of California, Los Angeles

Mr. Levy is available throughout California.