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A founding member of the firm, Gary represents clients in a variety of matters ranging from investment fraud and lawyer and accountant malpractice to insurance coverage claims, will contests, trust disputes, and class actions. He represents clients in both state and federal courts, and many of his cases involve securities, shareholder, partnership, antitrust, or elder abuse claims. Gary has assisted the Oregon Law Center in class actions for forestry and farm workers and represented the Columbia River Tribes in preserving their treaty rights to live along the Columbia River.

Gary serves as an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, and the Arbitration Service of Portland, and acts as a mediator in all types of commercial disputes. Gary also serves as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA).

EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania, J.D., 1977

University of Pennsylvania, B.A., *cum laude*, 1972

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

Oregon State Bar, 1977

U.S. District Court, Oregon

U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

U.S. Supreme Court

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Stoll Berne

Attorney & Founder, 1977-present

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Oregon State Bar

Procedure and Practice Committee, 1991-1993
Securities Section, Executive Committee, 1987-1989

Oregon Trial Lawyers Association

Business Litigation Section, chair, 1989

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Campaign for Equal Justice

Executive Board, 1996-2000

Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)

"Why Not," College Scholarship Fund

PUBLICATIONS

Gary has written extensively about securities litigation, corporate governance, professional standards for lawyers, accountants, and the financial industry, trial practice, arbitration, and federal practice.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Gary has spoken about securities litigation, corporate governance, professional standards for lawyers, accountants and the financial industry, arbitration and mediation, trial practice, and federal practice.

AWARDS

Benchmark Litigation

2015-2021

Chambers USA

2017-2021

Martindale Hubbell

AV* Rated

Oregon Super Lawyers

2006-2021

Oregon Top Rated, 2019

The Best Lawyers in America®

2006-2022

Lawyer of the Year, Portland: Mass Tort, 2019

Lawyer of the Year, Portland: Bet-the-Company Litigation, 2018 & 2014

Lawyer of the Year, Portland: Litigation-Securities, 2016 & 2013