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EDUCATION

- Tel Aviv University, Buchmann Faculty of Law, LLB, *magna cum laude*, 1998

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

- California, 2001
- Israel, 1999

AFFILIATIONS

- President, Los Angeles Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, 2013-2014
- Member, Public Counsel Board of Directors, 2011-present
- Member, Los Angeles County Bar Association
- Member, American Bar Association

SHARON BEN-SHAHAR MAYER

PRINCIPAL

Sharon Ben-Shahar Mayer's practice focuses on complex business litigation. Sharon has represented clients in cases involving a wide spectrum of matters, ranging from securities fraud and legal malpractice to intellectual property and contract disputes. Sharon has represented both organizations and individuals, including corporate officers and directors, Fortune 500 companies, law firms and technology companies. She has successfully handled trials and binding arbitrations, won case dispositive motions, and prevailed in both state and federal appeals.

Sharon is a former president of the Los Angeles Chapter of the Federal Bar Association and a board member of Public Counsel. She was recently named among the "Top 100 Women Lawyers" by the Daily Journal and as one of the "Most Influential Women Lawyers" by the Los Angeles Business Journal. She has been recognized as a Southern California "Rising Star" and "Super Lawyer" by Los Angeles Magazine.

As an attorney fluent in Hebrew and licensed to practice both in Israel and California, Sharon understands the unique challenges faced by Israeli companies litigating in the U.S. and is able to navigate the legal systems both in the U.S. and Israel. She has successfully represented Israeli companies and individuals in various types of business disputes.

EXPERIENCE

- Represented the CEO of a technology company in a shareholder class action and related derivative litigations relating to the backdating of stock options, following a multi-million dollar revenue restatement. The cases settled on favorable terms for our client.
- Defended a Fortune 500 technology company in a six-week jury trial involving claims for breach of contract, securities fraud and other torts. Trial resulted in a complete defense verdict on all claims and our client was awarded over \$1.8 million in attorneys' fees and costs. Successfully defended the verdict on appeal.
- Represented a high-net-worth investor in a FINRA arbitration against one of the largest investment banks in the U.S. for misrepresentations made in soliciting our client's investment. Case resulted in a confidential settlement to our client's satisfaction.
- Defended a national law firm in a malicious prosecution case and obtained a favorable ruling on an anti-slapp motion. Defended judgment on appeal and obtained an award of attorneys' fees and costs for the client.
- Represented North America's largest roofing shingles manufacturer in a breach of contract dispute with a supplier of raw materials. Secured a favorable settlement for our client.
- Represented a department chair at UCLA in an internal investigation involving allegations of violations of the Political Reform Act. The investigation resulted in a favorable confidential settlement.
- Represented investors in a dispute over our clients' ownership interest in a limited partnership that owned and operated a hospital. Obtained a ruling in our clients' favor concerning issues of contract interpretation at the conclusion of a two-week bench trial, leading to a favorable settlement.
- Defended a real estate partnership and its general partner in a multi-million dollar case involving Co-Author, "Calif. Ruling Dings Engagement Letter Arbitration Clauses," Law360, November 26, 2018 (with Mark Drooks) claims of fraud and breach of

fiduciary duty. Obtained a dismissal of the case on the pleadings and successfully defended the judgment through appeal.

- Represented a physician in a RICO case involving allegations of medicare fraud. Prevailed on a motion to dismiss and defended the ruling on appeal in front of the Ninth Circuit.
- Represented an investor in a joint venture in a dispute concerning ownership of a hotel and other real properties in Panama. Case resulted in a buy-out settlement to the client's satisfaction

FORMER POSITIONS

- Law Clerk to the Hon. Robert J. Kelleher, U.S. District Court, Central District of California, 2003-2004
- Official Receiver, Ministry of Justice, Israel, 2001
- Yigal Arnon & Co., Israel, 1998-1999

AWARDS/RECOGNITION

- Best Lawyers in America, Criminal Defense: White Collar, 2019
- Southern California Super Lawyer, Los Angeles Magazine, 2017-2018
- Most Influential Women Lawyers, Los Angeles Business Journal, 2017
- Top 100 Women Lawyers, Daily Journal, 2016
- Southern California Rising Star, Los Angeles Magazine, 2007-2013

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-Author, "Calif. Ruling Dings Engagement Letter Arbitration Clauses," Law360, November 26, 2018 (with Mark Drooks)