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EMPLOYMENT

PARTNER YEARS EMPLOYED (2010-PRESENT)
CUOMO LLC Mineola, NY; New York, NY

Partner in the firm's Long Island office. Involved in all phases of civil and commercial litigation practice in both Federal and State Courts. Chair of the firm's Commercial Litigation Group. Supervise and train associates and staff. I have handled many high-profile, large-exposure litigation matters from inception through trial and appeal in various areas of law including commercial litigation; insurance defense and coverage; personal injury, intellectual property and employment law.

Recent representative matters include defense of several employment claims for a NYC-based restaurant chain; two defense verdicts in high-exposure motor vehicle accidents both involving allegations of pedestrian knockdown; defense verdict in wrongful death case against municipality involving a tree that fell and killed a motorist; defense of multiple-property owners in NYS Labor Law wrongful death claim; and successful defense of property owner sued by alleged business partner over sale of \$18 Million building in Brooklyn, NY.

PARTNER YEARS EMPLOYED (1990 - 2010)
Sandback, Birnbaum & Michelen Mineola, New York

I founded and developed the firm's civil and commercial litigation department while practicing criminal defense on Long Island and in all five boroughs of NYC. Regularly tried wide range of cases of alleged homicide; white collar crime; sexual assault; and DWI.

SENIOR TRIAL SPECIALIST YEARS EMPLOYED (1985 -1990)
Corporation Counsel of the City of New York New York, New York

I was responsible for the trial of the highest exposure personal injury cases brought against the City of New York in all five boroughs.

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR OF LAW YEARS EMPLOYED (2017-PRESENT)
Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center Central Islip, NY
Touro College

Currently teaching New York Practice in the Fall terms.

New York Law School YEARS EMPLOYED (2005 - 2011)
New, York New York

I taught the First Year Legal Writing and Reasoning Course from 2005 to 2010. In 2011, I taught Advanced Memo and Brief Writing.

EXPERT WITNESS

I have been retained as an expert witness in Federal and State litigation matters focusing on New York practice; intellectual property; civil rights litigation; and attorney responsibility.

EDUCATION

JURIS DOCTOR DEGREE

New York Law School

YEARS ATTENDED (1982 - 1985)

New York, New York

I was graduated *magna cum laude* in the top 5% of class. I served as Research Editor of the New York Law School Law Review. I was Student Law Clerk to the Hon. Vincent Broderick, Southern District of New York.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

SUNY at Buffalo

YEARS ATTENDED (1979 - 1982)

Buffalo, New York

PRO BONO

I have exonerated six men in the last thirteen years in five separate cases, all of whom were wrongfully convicted and innocent of the crimes for which they were sentenced, my work in that area can be seen in the Netflix documentary *Fight for Justice: David & Me* about the cases of David McCallum and Willie Stuckey and in the podcast *Empire on Blood*, about my last exoneration client, Calvin Buari; I participate in the Nassau County Bar Association’s Mortgage Foreclosure Clinic and was awarded their Pro Bono Champion Award in 2015; I serve as a volunteer attorney for the Cyber Civil Rights Initiative. I am on the Judicial Screening Committee of the Nassau Bar Association and am Vice-President of the Long Island Hispanic Bar Association.

LANGUAGES

Fluent in Spanish, having been born in the Dominican Republic

References and a List of Representative Clients Are Available Upon Request