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## **GARY A. MEYER**

### **Education**

Gary A. Meyer received his B.A. from the University of California, Los Angeles, *summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa, with Departmental Honors in Philosophy in 1975. He received his J.D. from the University of California, Los Angeles in 1979, where he was a member of the UCLA Law Review and Moot Court Honors Program.

### **Employment**

Mr. Meyer has been a member of the firm since 1980 and is a Principal, a member of the Board of Directors and the founding member and Chair of the firm's Environmental Law Department. Mr. Meyer's practice includes representation of clients in both the public and private sectors in federal and state court Superfund, cost recovery, toxic tort litigation, the representation of buyers and sellers in real property Brownfield transactions; and the defense of environmental administrative, civil and criminal enforcement matters. Mr. Meyer has been chosen by his peers as a California Environmental Law Super Lawyer eight consecutive years since the inception of that award in 2003. Mr. Meyer was Chair of the Los Angeles County Bar's Environmental Law Section in 2005-2006 and has been a member of that Section's Executive Committee since 1996. Last year Mr. Meyer served as the Chair of the Environmental Law Section 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. Mr. Meyer is currently a member of the Executive Committee of the State Bar's Environmental Law Section. Before that, Mr. Meyer was the founding member and Chair of the Beverly Hills Bar Environmental Law Section from 1987-1990.

### **Professional Experience**

Mr. Meyer has vast experience representing corporate clients in a wide range of toxic tort, Superfund, environmental compliance, reporting and disclosure, property transaction, soil and groundwater remediation and underground storage tank matters. Mr. Meyer has been lead counsel in numerous toxic tort, Superfund and property contamination cases throughout California, in both state and federal courts. Mr. Meyer regularly appears before the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the California Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of Toxic Substances Control, the Regional Water Quality Control Boards, the South Coast Air Quality Management District and local environmental agencies. Mr. Meyer counsels his clients on the leasing, sale and development of contaminated properties and has been successful in obtaining numerous no further action letters from various environmental agencies.

With respect to his environmental enforcement practice, Mr. Meyer has successfully defended corporate clients in a number of landmark hazardous waste civil and criminal multi-count felony and misdemeanor actions filed by prosecutorial agencies such as the United States Attorney, the California Department of Justice, the Environmental Crimes Units of Los Angeles, Orange, Kern, San Diego and San Bernardino Counties, the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the California Environmental Protection Agency. Mr. Meyer's clients have included numerous Fortune 500 companies as well as public agencies and their employees and officers.

For over a decade Mr. Meyer was an instructor in the UCLA Extension Hazardous Materials Certificate Program. He is the author and editor of numerous environmental law publications, articles and newsletters, including Parker, Milliken's Environmental Law Update, and is a frequent lecturer to business organizations and educational institutions. Since 1985 Mr. Meyer has organized and chaired his firm's annual Environmental Law Seminar, which, since its inception, has been attended by over 3,000 business, government and industry representatives. Mr. Meyer's Twenty-Eighth Annual Environmental Law Seminar will be held on April 27, 2012.

Mr. Meyer was the past Chair of the Los Angeles County Bar's Environmental Law Section and is an Executive Committee Member of the California State Bar's Environment and Natural Resource Section. In this capacity, Mr. Meyer chairs and lectures at numerous State and local bar conferences.

### **Academic and Speaking Engagements**

Southern California Super Lawyer – 2003 to present  
2005-2006 Chair, Los Angeles County Bar's Environmental Law Section  
Moderator of Parker, Milliken's annual Environmental Law Seminar – 1985 to present  
Instructor, UCLA Hazardous Materials Certificate Program, 1990 to 2001  
Guest Lecturer, UCLA School of Law, Environmental Law Center  
Program Chair and Speaker, Los Angeles County Bar's Environmental Law Section's  
Super Symposium  
Speaker, State Bar's Environmental Law Annual Yosemite Conference  
National lecturer on environmental law topics in seminars sponsored by CLE  
International, the California Business Institute, and Lorman Educational Services  
USC Symposium on Environmental Law  
American Industrial and Real Estate Association  
Lecturer to numerous financial institutions on environmental fiduciary liability, including  
Wells Fargo Bank, Bank of America, Union Bank, Bank of California

### **Admissions to Practice**

All California state courts  
Various Federal district courts  
Federal courts of appeal throughout the United States  
United States Supreme Court

## **Professional Affiliations**

California State Bar Association, Environmental Law Section, Executive Committee  
2008-present

Los Angeles County Bar Association, Chair, Environmental Law Section 2005-2006 and  
Executive Committee member – 1996 to present

American Bar Association, Natural Resources and Environmental Law Section

Beverly Hills Bar Association, Chairperson of the Environmental Law Section, 1987-  
1990

## **Publications**

Editor, contributing author of Parker Milliken's Environmental Law Update

Contributing author of the McGraw-Hill published book entitled *Environmental  
Decision Making for Engineers and Business Managers*

The Bureau of National Affairs publications *Toxics Law Reporter* and *California  
Environmental Law Reporter*

USC Law Center *Journal of Law and the Environment*

## **Community Service and Family**

Mr. Meyer is an active member of his community. He has served as Vice President and a member of the Board of Directors of his synagogue and is a member of the Board of Directors of Hillside Memorial Park and for many years coached boys' and girls' youth baseball and softball. Mr. Meyer serves as a mentor for the UCLA Law School's Environmental Law Negotiation team as part of law school competition sponsored by the California State Bar. Mr. Meyer is also active in organizing outreach educational programs for Southern California law schools. On a personal note, Mr. Meyer has a great passion for baseball. He continues to fulfill his "field of dreams" by taking summer road trips with his son, Joey, to baseball stadiums throughout the country. In 2011 Mr. Meyer played in a Fathers-Son Baseball Tournament in Cooperstown, N.Y., the home of Baseball's Hall of Fame. Although Mr. Meyer promptly dislocated a finger in warm ups before the first game, his team did win the tournament. Mr. Meyer is married to Susan, also an attorney, and has two children, Hilary, 23, a graduate of Washington University in St. Louis, and Joey, 20, a junior at Amherst College in Massachusetts.