KIMBERLEY K. BAER

BAER LAW OFFICE 838 5th Avenue Des Moines, Iowa 50309

EDUCATION American University, Washington College of Law Washington, D.C.

J.D. 1989 <u>summa cum laude</u> Member, <u>American University Law Review</u> 1987-89

University of Iowa

B.A. Political Science 1985

EXPERIENCE Baer Law Office Des Moines, Iowa

General Litigation, 2011-present

Representing individuals and corporations in commercial litigation, personal injury, medical malpractice and family law. Serving as outside general counsel to several businesses in litigation matters. Extensive work with the immigrant and refugee population regarding various legal issues.

Wandro, Baer & McCarthy Des Moines, Iowa

General Litigation, 2000-2010

Representing individuals and corporations in commercial, insurance and employment litigation, class actions, personal injury suits and cases involving produce liability. Experience in prosecuting and defending large class actions and litigating complex product liability cases such as Teflon, tobacco, fen phen diet drug and vitamin litigation. Appointed to serve as Liaison Counsel by the Southern District of Iowa Federal Court for the multi-district national class action against DuPont located in Des Moines, Iowa. As Liaison Counsel coordinated pleadings, discovery and hearings for all state class actions and served as class counsel for Iowa, Nebraska, Arizona and Delaware.

Dickinson, Mackaman, Tyler & Hagen Des Moines, Iowa

Shareholder, General Litigation 1994-2000

Extensive experience in wide variety of commercial litigation involving both plaintiff and defense trial work and appellate work in both federal and state courts. Experience in business and insurance law, employment issues, personal injury, e-commerce, civil rights, contractual disputes, family law and criminal matters.

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom Chicago, Illinois

General Litigation Associate 1989-94

Management of complex commercial litigation including brief writing, defending and taking depositions, oral argument and trial experience in federal and state courts. Experience in complex arbitration procedures and

other issues related to dispute resolution involving commercial litigation. Appellate experience at all levels of state and federal courts including United States Supreme Court case <u>Suter v. Artist M.</u> (established limits of Section 1983 rights under federal Adoption Assistance Act).

Appointed Special Assistant Attorney General to defend the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services in eleven separate class actions in federal and state courts involving wide variety of constitutional, state law and Section 1983 claims. Negotiated and oversaw implementation of federal and state court consent decrees establishing operational regulations governing the state's care of over 35,000 children. Appointed Special Assistant State Attorney to represent two state pension funds in state class action involving breach of fiduciary duty and constitutional funding issues.

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom Washington, D.C. Part-time Law Clerk 1988-89

Crowell & Moring Washington, D.C. Part-time Research Assistant 1987-88

The Honorable Judge Murphy D.C. Superior Court Legal Intern Summer 1984

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Elected to Polk County 5C Judicial Nominating Commission

Elected by peers to serve, 2011-present

Appointed to Serve on District 5C Ethics Review Panel

Appointment by Iowa Supreme Court, 2009-2015

Iowa Association of Justice (Trial Lawyers), Board of Governors

Elected to represent District 5C 2011-present

Certified Family Law Mediator

2008-present

Featured Speaker, Immigrant's Summit, Drake University

Business Issues for Business Owners, 2008-present

Featured Speaker, Iowans for Social and Economic Development

Business Issues for New Business Owners, 2008-2012

Featured Speaker, Annual Lorman Education Seminar

Litigation Issues, 2002

Litigation Issues for Business Owners, 1999, 2000, 2001

Featured Speaker, Association of Builders and Contractors

Contract and Employment Issues, Annual Meeting 2001

Featured Speaker, Association of Private Investigators

Investigations and the Law, 2001

Featured Speaker, Association Of Temporary Placement Agencies

Employment Issues, 1999, 2000

American Bar Association

Tort and Insurance Practice Section

Strategic Alliances Appointment

1999-2000 appointment by ABA Section President

Iowa Bar Association

Des Moines District 5C YLD Representative

Elected by bar members to 1997, 1998 and 1999 terms

American Bar Association

Tort and Insurance Practice Section

Editor, Publications Board

1997- 1999 appointments by ABA Section President

Responsible for coordinating and editing a variety of legal books published by the ABA

American Bar Association

Vice Chair, Labor and Employment Section

1997-1998 appointment by ABA YLD Section President

American Bar Association

Liaison Between ABA and YLD Divisions

1997-1998 appointment by ABA YLD Section President

National Institute For Trial Advocacy

Advanced Trial Training 1994

Advanced Deposition Training 1991

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Variety, the Children's Charity

President 2012-2013

Executive Board, 2009-2015

Heart Award, 2014

Sunshine Award, 2009

Board of Directors, 2003-present

Immigrant Champion Award 2012

Honored as the recipient of this award by the Immigrant

Entrepreneurs' Summit

VIP Club, Women Business Owners

2005-present

Yankee Doodle Pops, Des Moines Symphony

Committee, 2009-2012 Co-Chair, 2011

Boys & Girls Club

Old Bags, Committee 2009-2015

Orchard Place, Spelling Bee Team Leader 2009

Merrill Middle School, Mock Trial Coach

2001-2008

Merrill Middle School, 2008 Volunteer of the Year Award

Leukemia Society

Board of Directors 1999-2002 Fund-raising Committee 1999-2002

Des Moines Business Record, Forty Under 40 2002 Class

Leukemia Society, Named 1999 Iowa Woman of the Year

Greater Des Moines Leadership Institute

Board of Governors 2000-2003 Fund-raising Chair 2001 and 2002 Graduate Class of 1997-1998

MAP Lunch Club

Member 2001-2003

Des Moines Partnership Downtown Retention Liaison

1999-2000

Rotary Des Moines A.M. Club

Member 1997-1999

Leadership Network

Board Member 1997-1999 Member 1997-2000

W.H.E.N. Founding Member (Women Helping Each Other Network)

Habitat For Humanity, Des Moines, Iowa

Board Member 1995-1997

Volunteer, 1997-2002

$Des\ Moines\ Business\ Women\ Mentoring\ Program$

1995-1998

Served as Mentor to 40 junior and senior high school girls making the transition from high school to college.

Pro Bono Advocates, Chicago, Illinois Board Member 1993-1994

Consortium To Aid The Homeless, Chicago, Illinois Board Member, Founding Member 1990-1992 Established consortium of business leaders to serve as SSI payee representatives for homeless persons with disabilities