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OF COUNSEL

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PRACTICE EMPHASIS

- Class Action & Complex Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Mass Torts
- Personal Injury & Wrongful Death

EDUCATION

Arizona State University
B.S., *summa cum laude,* 1976, Bio-Ag Sciences

Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine
D.V.M., *summa cum laude*, 1980

Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine
M.S., 1983, Veterinary Anatomy

Arizona State University College of Law
J.D., *summa cum laude*, 1986, Order of the Coif

As a licensed veterinarian, Mark has the medical knowledge that helps get his clients the results they deserve.

Given that strong medical science background, Mark's practice focuses on tort law, including medical negligence, product liability, and other significant personal injury cases. He has nearly 35 years of experience litigating medical malpractice cases with victories including the landmark Edwards verdict, a transfusion-associated AIDS case that remains one of the largest personal injury verdicts in Arizona history. Mark was born in New York, but he moved to the Phoenix area in 1959 and grew up there. He practiced from 1986 to 1995 at Meyer, Hendricks, Victor, Osborn & Maledon, becoming a member in 1992. In 1995, Mark helped form Dalton Gotto Samson & Kilgard, P.L.C. ("DGSK") and was one of the members of DGSK who formed Keller Rohrback P.L.C. in 2002, and then Keller Rohrback L.L.P. in 2015.

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

1986, Arizona

1986, U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona

1986, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

1986, U.S. Supreme Court

2008, Washington, D.C.

PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

Maricopa County Bar Association, *Member*

Arizona State Bar Association, *Member*

American Association for Justice, *Member*

Arizona Association for Justice, *Sustaining Member*

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LAW OFFICES • L.L.P.

HONORS & AWARDS

Best Lawyers in America®, Phoenix, Arizona, 2027 (Recognized since 2022):

- Medical Malpractice Law - Plaintiffs
- Personal Injury Litigation - Plaintiffs
- Product Liability Litigation – Plaintiffs

Named to Super Lawyers list in *Super Lawyers - Southwest*, 2008-2021

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

The Lawyer's Role in Meeting 21st Century Changes in Veterinary Medicine, American Veterinary Medical Law Association (2018).

Personal Injury Law in Arizona, Maricopa County Association of Paralegals (2018).

Health Law and Policy, Arizona State University College of Law (2016).

Health Law – Medical Malpractice in Today's World, Arizona Paralegal Association (2016).

F*rom the Heart: Letting Go in Front of the Jury*, Arizona Trial Lawyers Association (2015).

Medical Malpractice Seminar, Arizona Trial Lawyers Association (2013).

Trial Masters: A Look Inside the Value Options Case & Tools for Difficult Cases, Arizona Trial Lawyers Association (2011).

Comparing Veterinary and Legal Ethics, Arizona State Bar (2009).

Loss of a Chance in Med Mal Cases, Arizona Trial Lawyers Association (2008).

Issues in FTCA Claims, Arizona Trial Lawyers Association (2008).

Co-Chair, *Trial Practice - Damages*, Arizona Trial Lawyers Association (2007).

Chairman, *Rapid Fire on Litigation Issues*, Arizona Trial Lawyers Association (October 2006).

Co-Chair, Liens, Arizona Trial Lawyers Association, (January 2006).

Author, *Negotiating 101, Blackwell's 5-Minute Veterinary Practice Management Consult* (2006).

Arizona Appellate Update, Maricopa County Bar Association (2005).

Liens Again, Maricopa County Bar Association (2004).

Chairman, *New Ethical Rules in Arizona*, Arizona State Bar (October 2003).

Speaker, *Application of legal principles to veterinary medicine*, Arizona Veterinary Medical Association (1999-2003).

Speaker, *Settlement conferences versus trial in medical malpractice cases*, Arizona Paralegal Association (2002).

Speaker, *Changes and issues in Arizona's ethical rules for attorneys*, Arizona Paralegal Association (2003).

Punitive Damages after Campbell v. State Farm, Maricopa County Bar Association (May 2003).

Co-Chair, *Anatomy of Pain*, Arizona Trial Lawyers Association (2002).

Speaker, *Use of medical literature in the courtroom*, Arizona Trial Lawyers Association Medical Malpractice Seminar (1996).

Speaker, *New legal theories in medical malpractice*, Arizona Trial Lawyers Association Medical Malpractice Seminar (1999).

Chair, Seminar on *Medical Malpractice in the Ages of Disclosure*. Maricopa County Bar Association.

Speaker, *Tort and Regulatory Issues Affecting Veterinarians*, National Meeting of American Veterinary Medical Law Association (1995).

Chair, Seminar on Anatomy, Maricopa County Bar Association (1994).