

## **PHILIP BARBARO, JR.**

Attorney at Law | Mediator | Arbitrator  
**Barbaro, Chinen, Pitzer & Duke, LLP**

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### **Professional Summary**

Philip Barbaro, Jr. is a seasoned attorney with over 30 years of experience involving litigation in the areas of Probate, Trust, Conservatorship, real estate and general civil matters in both tort and contract. He is a Certified Specialist in Estate Planning, Trust, and Probate Law by the State Bar of California. He also serves as a mediator with the Mediation Center of Los Angeles and the Alternative Resolution Centers (ARC). In addition, he educates other professionals through presentations and lectures.

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### **Professional Experience**

#### **Partner**

#### **Barbaro, Chinen, Pitzer & Duke, LLP**

1995 – Present

- Certified Specialist in Estate Planning, Trust, and Probate Law (State Bar of California, Board of Legal Specialization).
- Extensive Experience in litigation regarding probate, trusts, conservatorships, real estate, and general civil matters.
- Provides comprehensive estate planning, probate administration, and trust management services.

#### **Mediator/Arbitrator**

- **Alternative Resolution Centers (ARC):**
  - Panel mediator/arbitrator with focus on probate, trust, conservatorship and real estate matters.
- **Mediation Center of Los Angeles:**
  - Panel mediator addressing probate, trust, conservatorship and real estate and general civil litigation matters.
- Mediates disputes of all levels of complexity, relying on his decades of litigation experience.

- Brings a unique perspective to the mediation process because of his years in private practice. He has an insight and understanding of what the litigants and their counsel are experiencing both emotionally and financially.
  - He provides a welcoming and collaborative environment in which he actively listens to the litigants while encouraging them to fully provide all the facts and details the litigant feels are important.
  - By combining his deep understanding of the relevant legal issues with strong interpersonal skills he can assist parties in working towards a mutually acceptable resolution.
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## Education

- **Juris Doctorate** – Western State University, College of Law
  - **Bachelor of Science** – University of California, Irvine
  - **Associate of Arts** – Glendale Community College
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## Admissions

- State Bar of California
  - United States District Court for the Central District
  - United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
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## Professional Presentations and Lectures

Extensive experience delivering presentations to legal professionals, fiduciaries, and judges on various topics in probate, trusts, real estate, and fiduciary matters, including:

- **2024:** Fiduciary Association of California (PFAC) Annual Conference – *"Insurance: What Is It Good For?"*
- **2024:** Fiduciary Association of California (PFAC) Southern Region Education Day
- **2023:** PFAC Annual Conference – *"What Probate Judges Need, Want, and Love"*
- **2022:** PFAC Annual Conference – *"How to Avoid Surprises Before Listing and Selling Real Property"*
- **2021:** PFAC Annual Conference – *"The Interrelationship of the Professional Fiduciary with Court-Appointed Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem"*
- **2020:** PFAC Los Angeles Chapter – *"Probate: The Obscure but Essential Rules and Tools Every Executor/Administrator Needs to Know"*
- **2019:** PFAC San Gabriel Valley Chapter – *"A Fiduciary's New Weapon When Faced with a Foreclosure"*

- **2018:** Fiduciary Association of California (PFAC) Annual Conference – "*Financial Elder Abuse: What's Involved and Is It Worth the Time and Expense?*"
- **2016:** Center for Judicial Education & Research (Judicial Council of California) – "*Capacity and Undue Influence*"

(Full list of presentations available upon request.)

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## **Positions Held**

### **Professional Leadership Roles**

- **Pasadena Bar Association:**
  - Board Member and Officer (various roles); President (2008).
- **Los Angeles County Bar Association:**
  - Trustee, Board of Trustees (2007); Chair, Dialogues on Freedom Program.
- **Pasadena Bar Association, Real Estate Section:**
  - Former Chair.

### **Community Leadership and Government Appointments**

- **City of Los Angeles, Area Planning Commission:**
  - Appointed by the Mayor; served as Vice President of the East Area Planning Commission.
- **Northeast Community Plan Advisory Committee:**
  - Vice Chair; appointed by the Los Angeles City Council.

### **Academic Positions**

- **Adjunct Faculty Member:**
    - *Woodbury University:* Courses taught: Real Estate Principles, Real Estate Finance, and Social/Political Environment of Business.
    - *Pasadena Community College:* Courses taught: Legal Aspects of Real Estate, Business Law (Credentialed by California Community Colleges).
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## **Professional Associations**

- Pasadena Bar Association
- Italian-American Bar Association
- Los Angeles County Bar Association
- Estate Planning Council of San Gabriel Valley
- Conejo Valley Estate Planning Council