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— WIN WITH INTELLECT —

**EMPLOYMENT**

**Law Offices of Ian Wallach, P.C.** Los Angeles, CA, *Attorney* Sep 2015 – Present

- Trial attorney in criminal and civil rights matters
- Local counsel services for national firms
- Presently admitted to practice in California, New York, and Colorado

**Feldman & Wallach, LLP** Los Angeles, CA, *Attorney* Sep 2010 – Sep 2015

- General Practice, with a focus in criminal defense
- First firm to successfully prosecute cases involving inmates' infections of Coccidioidomycosis (also known as Valley Fever)
- Provided 100+ hours annually in *pro bono* services

**Office of the Public Defender, Los Angeles County**, *Deputy Public Defender* May 2006 – Aug 2010

- Handled over sixty trials and juvenile adjudications, including nearly thirty jury trials, and over fifty Preliminary Hearings. Negotiated many dispositions and alternative sentences to avoid collateral consequences
- Maintained positive relationships with Bench Officers and Prosecutors while dutifully serving the indigent community

**Wallach Law Offices, P.C.**, New York, NY & Los Angeles, CA, *Attorney* July 2005 – May 2006

- Represented three individuals wrongfully imprisoned without charge at the Guantánamo Bay Naval Station in Cuba in separate habeas matters pending before the United States District Court for the District of Columbia
- Represented clients in criminal matters and handled all aspects of commercial litigation matters

**Friedland, Laifer & Robbins, LLP**, New York, NY, *Associate* Aug 2004 - Jun 2005

- Handled all pre-trial aspects of commercial litigation matters and settlements and commercial realty cases through trial
- *Pro Bono* work included drafting a brief on behalf of the New York Civil Liberties Union (the New York affiliate of the ACLU)

**Coblence & Warner, LLP**, New York, NY, *Associate*

Jul 2003 - Feb 2004

- Argued dispositive motions and defended judgments before state and federal courts (including Appellate Divisions and the Second Circuit), drafted briefs for submission to state and federal courts, prepared legal memoranda, prepared matters for trial, negotiated settlements

**Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps, LLP**, New York, NY, *Associate*

Aug 1999 - Jun 2003

- Drafted and argued dispositive motions before state and federal courts in New York and New Jersey (including appeals of judgments before Appellate Divisions and the Second Circuit Court of Appeals), handled all pre-trial aspects of commercial litigation matters (including taking lead in depositions multi-party high-exposure actions), negotiated settlements. Also defended the Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles and The MIT Press in a high-profile copyright/privacy action (*Hoepker v. Kruger*, 200 F. Supp. 2d 340 (S.D.N.Y. 2002))
- *Pro Bono* work included handling a criminal appeal (in association with the Legal Aid Society) before the Appellate Division of New York, First Department

**International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia**, The Hague, *Law Clerk* Spring, 1999

- Clerked in the Office of the Prosecutor and participated in drafting the indictment of Slobodan Milošević and the opening statement in the Bosanski Šamac trial, drafted motions, prepared research memoranda

## **EDUCATION**

**University of California, Hastings College of the Law**, San Francisco, CA

J.D., 1999

- International Law Concentration, 1999 Hague Externship Recipient, Hastings International and Comparative Law Review, Hastings Moot Court Board, 1999 Union Bank of California International Law Scholarship Recipient, 1998 John Marshall Moot Court Competition: Best Respondent's Brief, 1998 Jessup International Moot Court Competition: Regional Semifinalist, Teaching Assistant: Appellate Advocacy

**University of Oregon**, Eugene, OR

B.A., 1995

- International Studies Major - Departmental Honors, *Magna Cum Laude*, Phi Beta Kappa

**University of Southern California**, Los Angeles, CA

1985 - 87

- B.F.A. Candidate in Department of Theater, School of Fine Arts

## **PRE-LAW EMPLOYMENT**

**Media Assistant, Vietnam National University, Hanoi, Vietnam**

Jan – May 1995

- Drafted welcoming address for Prime Minister Vo Van Kiet for the First International Conference on Higher Education; prepared one grant proposal and fundraising materials for Vietnam National University

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- State Bar Memberships
  - Bar of the State of New York
  - Bar of the State of California
  - Bar of the State of Colorado
- Court Bar Memberships
  - Bar of the United States Supreme Court
  - Bar of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
  - Bar of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
  - Bar of the United States District Court for the Central District of California (and member of its *Pro Bono* Panel for the Central District)
  - Bar of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
  - Bar of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York
  - Bar of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York
  - Bar of the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin
  - Bar of the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas
- Bar Association Memberships
  - National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (Life Member); present member of Board of Directors; and member of its Corrections Committee
  - The Los Angeles County Bar Association (and member of the small firms and criminal justice sections and its Indigent
  - California Criminal Courts Bar Association

## **LANGUAGES**

- Fluent in French (speaking only)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- [The Use of ‘Ultra-Particularity’ to Invoke Qualified Immunity: A Substantial Threat To Civil Rights Claims and a Potentially Fatal Blow to Eighth Amendment Claims](https://www.dropbox.com/s/amu84kisu26fpf8/Champion.March%202021.%20Ian%20Wallach.%20Qualified%20Immunity.%20Ultra-particularity.pdf?dl=0) (The Champion, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, March 2021) (downloadable at <https://www.dropbox.com/s/amu84kisu26fpf8/Champion.March%202021.%20Ian%20Wallach.%20Qualified%20Immunity.%20Ultra-particularity.pdf?dl=0>)

- Drafting a Tort Complaint Against the Federal Government and Its Contractors and the Limitations on the Independent Contractor and Discretionary Function Exceptions (The Federal Lawyer, March 2017)
- *Federal Tort Claims & The Issue Of Sovereign Immunity*, California Lawyer Website, June 22, 2016
- *No Habeas at Guantanamo? The Executive and the Dubious Tale of the DTA*, the Jurist, March 6, 2006
- *The Graham Amendment and Guantanamo*, New York Law Journal, December 29, 2005, at p. 2.

### **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

- February 16, 2024 (upcoming), NACDL's "Viva Voir Dire" Seminar, Las Vegas, NV, "Set Up A Knockdown When Blue Isn't True -- Voir Dire In Cases Involving Officer Credibility"
- January 24, 2024, NACDL Advanced Criminal Law Seminar, Aspen, Colorado, "Joshua Triste: An Ethical Conundrum — Raising Or Waiving Challenges To Judicial Bias, Collusion, and Prosecutorial Misconduct"
- September, 2022, NACDL Advanced Criminal Law Seminar, Aspen, Colorado, "Cross-Examining the Police Officer: Asking the Questions That Let the Jury See Bias"
- March 18, 2021. Webinar for Office of the Public Defender, County of Los Angeles, "Cross-Examining the Police Officer: Asking the Questions That Let the Jury See Bias"
- July 8, 2020. Strafford Webinar, "Federal Tort Claims Act Cases, Recovering for Medical Malpractice, Personal Injury, and Property Damage. Limits on the Independent Contractor and the Discretionary Function Exceptions."
- May, 2019. NACDL's Spring Meeting & Seminar: "Cross-Examination Techniques"; Topic: "Cross-Examining the Police Officer: Asking the Questions That Let the Jury See Bias"
- February, 2018. NACDL's "Jazzin-up Your Jury; Selection, Connection and Persuasion"; "Set Up A Knockdown When Blue Isn't True -- Voir Dire In Cases Involving Officer Credibility"
- February 1, 2006. University of California, Hastings College of the Law, "First Lecture Series." Issue: Status of Guantanamo Bay Litigations and conditions of confinement, *effect of Rasul* and prospective legal outcomes of *Hamdan*
- October 7, 2006. The UC Hastings Symposium About The War on Terror, Panel Member discussion representation of Guantanamo Bay Detainees (audio available on-line at: [http://transnationallawblog.typepad.com/transnational\\_law\\_blog/2006/10/today\\_law\\_schoo.html](http://transnationallawblog.typepad.com/transnational_law_blog/2006/10/today_law_schoo.html))

### **PODCASTS/RADIO**

- Host of Former Radio Show & Podcast "Wallach on Law" -- a podcast dedicated to criminal justice reform. The show aired on AM stations nationwide and is available on iTunes. Episodes included:
  - The Kelly Report & Gun Violence In America -- Featuring Congress Person Robin Kelly
  - Fire & Gasoline: When The Mentally Ill Meet Police -- Featuring Ron Honberg of NAMI (the National Alliance For Mental Illness)
  - Warehousing of African American Males -- Featuring Gerry Goldstein and Robert Pickett
  - Life and/or Death in Arizona -- Featuring Jane Velez Mitchell and Dale Baich
  - George Zimmerman Verdict One Year Later -- Featuring Don West
  - Gun Legislation & Officer Training -- Featuring California Assembly Member Das Williams, And Gun Rights Activist Sheriff Richard Mack ("Sheriff Mack")
  - Exoneration -- Featuring Cynthia Orr & Christopher Ochoa
  - The Road Back -- Featuring Karen Wolff, Social Worker with the Innocence Project and Harold Hall, who was released after 14 years when the 9th Circuit reversed his conviction

- *Riley v. California* -- Featuring Bronson James, the attorney who co-authored the brief submitted in *Riley* on behalf of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
- Treatment of the Mentally-Ill In The Criminal Justice System -- Featuring Hon. Terry Smerling

**MEDIA APPEARANCES**

- Ian Wallach has appeared on hundreds of radio and television shows discussing aspects of criminal justice, and a complete list can be provided upon request

## **ACCOLADES**

- Law.com Lawyers of the Week, Shoutx-Out, December 2023, for results in *People v. Pedro Martinez*
- NACDL Presidential Commendation for work on Strategic ask Force on Police Accountability, NACDL
- Co-Chair, Strategic ask Force on Police Accountability, NACDL, appointed 2022
- Member, Board of Directors, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, elected 2018
- Martindale-Hubbell AV-Rated Preeminent Lawyer
- AVVO “10” (highest rating)
- AVVO “Client Choice Award”

## **APPELLATE ARGUMENTS**

- Successfully argued the case of *Edison v. United States*, 822 F.3d 510 (9th Cir., 2016), which allowed inmates to bring claims under the Federal Tort Claims Act against the United States, even when the United States had delegated control of the prison to private contractor but still had independent duties of care (video is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I2aMMtmt-d4>)

## **RECENT SEMINARS ATTENDED**

- NACDL’s 16<sup>th</sup> Annual “Defending Modern Drug Cases” (Seminar Chair but unable to attend); Las Vegas, Nevada, Webinar, 2023
- NACDL’s 15<sup>th</sup> Annual “Defending Modern Drug Cases” (Seminar Chair); Las Vegas, Nevada, Webinar, 2022
- NACDL’s 14<sup>th</sup> Annual “Defending Modern Drug Cases” (Seminar Chair); Las Vegas, Nevada, Webinar, 2021
- NACDL’s “Race Matters III”; Los Angeles, CA Webinar, 2020
- NACDL’s 14<sup>th</sup> Annual “Defending Modern Drug Cases” (Seminar Chair); Las Vegas, Nevada, Webinar, 2020
- NACDL’s 7<sup>th</sup> Annual “Defending Modern Drug Cases” (Seminar Chair); Las Vegas, Nevada, 2019
- NACDL’s 13<sup>th</sup> Annual “Defending Modern Drug Cases” (Seminar Chair); Las Vegas, Nevada, 2019
- NACDL’s 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Advanced Criminal Law Seminar, Aspen, CO, January 13 – 18, 2013
- The National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (“NACDL”) “Walking the Line: Advanced Cross-Examination Techniques”, (Speaker) May 1-4, 2019
- NACDL’s 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Criminal Law Seminar, Aspen, Colorado, January 20-23, 2019
- NACDL’s “Race Matters II: The Impact on Race on Criminal Justice”; Los Angeles, CA, January 10 – 11, 2019
- NACDL’s Presidential Summit: Shattering the Shackles of Collateral Consequences: Exploring Moral Principles and Economic Innovations to Restore Rights and Opportunity” Atlanta, Georgia, August 23 – 24, 2018
- NACDL’s 11<sup>th</sup> Annual “Defending Modern Drug Cases” (Seminar Chair); Las Vegas, Nevada, October 11-13, 2018
- NACDL’s “Jazzin’ Up Your Jury: Selection, Connection, & Persuasion”: (Speaker) New Orleans, Louisiana, February 14 – 17, 2018
- NACDL’s 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Criminal Law Seminar, Aspen, Colorado, January 21-24, 2018
- NACDL’s 10<sup>th</sup> Annual “Defending Modern Drug Cases” (Seminar Chair); Las Vegas, Nevada, October 5-7, 2017

- NACDL's 2017 Presidential Summit and Seminar; "Race Matters; The Impact On Criminal Justice"; Detroit, Michigan, September 14-15, 2017
- Administrative Office Of The U.S. Courts; Defender Services Office Training Division, Fundamentals of Federal Criminal Defense II; Houston, Texas, June 8-9, 2017
- NACDL's 37th Annual Advanced Criminal Law Seminar, Aspen, Colorado, January 15-18, 2017
- CJA Training Seminar, Los Angeles, California, May 21, 2016
- NACDL's 36th Annual Advanced Criminal Law Seminar, Aspen, Colorado, January 10 - 15, 2016
- NACDL's 34th Annual Advanced Criminal Law Seminar "Winning Strategies for the Defense", Aspen, Colorado, January 12 - 17, 2014
- NACDL's 7th Annual Drug Seminar "Drug Defenses Conference, Defending the Modern Drug Case" and "DWI Means Defend with Ingenuity", Las Vegas, Nevada, November 21-23, 2013