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### ATTORNEY PROFILE

Mr. Walters is an experienced litigator, primarily handling contract disputes, real estate disputes, estate planning and trust disputes, and other commercial and intellectual property litigation matters, as well as personal injury, product liability and aviation-related claims. Since joining the firm in 1979, he has represented clients in scores of arbitrations, trials and appeals in state and federal courts. He has been the lead trial attorney in dozens of arbitrations and trials in which seven figure dollar amounts have been at stake.

Mr. Walters has served as a court-appointed arbitrator in three to five civil cases each year since 1988. He is a panel member for the Mandatory Arbitration programs in both King County and Kitsap County.

Mr. Walters has been recognized by *Super Lawyers* magazine as a "Super Lawyer" in Business Litigation from 2005 to the present, by *Seattle Magazine* as one of Seattle's "Top 155 Lawyers," by *Seattle Business Monthly* as one of "Seattle's Top 87 Business Lawyers," by *American Lawyer/Corporate Counsel* as a "Top Rated Lawyer in Commercial Litigation," and by *American Lawyer Media* as a "Top Rated Lawyer in Appellate Law." He holds the highest "AV Preeminent" peer review rating from Martindale-Hubbell. Mr. Walters has also been named to the "Best Lawyers in America®" list.

Some of the larger companies Mr. Walters has represented in litigation include Accuflex Industrial, Aeroquip-Vickers, Bethlehem Steel, Blue Sea Systems, the Boy Scouts of America, Cessna Aircraft, East West Bancorp, the FDIC, General Electric, General Motors, Granite Precasting, Group Health Cooperative, J.R. Hayes and Sons, Kawasaki Motors, Lufthansa Airlines, Menzies Aviation, Northwest Airlines, Outboard Marine Corporation, R&H Mining, Sea-Pac Sales, Siemens, Talgo, Teledyne-Continental Motors, Textron-Lycoming, Todd/Vigor Shipyards, U.S. Bank of Oregon, UniSea/Royal Aleutian Seafoods, and West Coast Paper.

Mr. Walters has been a speaker at seminars on a variety of litigation topics. He authored the product liability

chapter in the three-volume preventive law treatise "Legal Compliance Checkups," edited by Robert Hughes (1986).

Mr. Walters is a former pilot, holding a commercial license with multi-engine and instrument instructor ratings. He is proficient in German, having lived for four years in Vienna and Berlin.

### MAJOR AREA OF PRACTICE

Civil trial practice, primarily commercial, estate planning and intellectual property litigation.

### ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

Washington State Bar  
Alaska State Bar  
U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington  
U.S. District Court for the District of Alaska  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit  
U.S. Supreme Court

### EDUCATION

B.A., Illinois Wesleyan University, 1972  
*summa cum laude*; 3 semesters in Vienna, Austria  
M.B.A. with highest honors, Boston University, 1975  
J.D., Harvard Law School, 1979

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Washington State Bar Association  
Litigation Section  
King County Bar Association  
Aviation Section (Chairman 1984-1985)  
Kitsap County Bar Association

### PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

German linguist, U.S. Army Security Agency, West Berlin, Top Secret Security Clearance, 1972-1976  
Instructor, University of Maryland West Berlin Program, Business Administration courses, 1975-1976

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Port Orchard Yacht Club  
Secretary, 2013-2015  
Board Member, 2013-present  
Martha & Mary Health Services, Poulsbo  
Board Member, 2002-2005  
Sponsor, Bosnian refugees, 1994-2004  
Literacy Council of Kitsap County, Bremerton  
Board Member, 1993-1996  
Community Services for the Blind, Seattle  
Board Member, 1979-1986  
Board President, 1984-1985