

# SAN DIEGO DAILY TRANSCRIPT

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#### **Education**

Law School/Year: California  
Western, 1974

College/Year: U.S.  
International University, 1971

#### **Bar Admissions**

California; Nebraska; U.S.  
Supreme Court; U.S. Court of  
Appeals for the Ninth Circuit;  
U.S. District Court for the  
Southern District of  
California; U.S. Court of  
Appeals for the Federal Circuit

#### **Practice Areas**

Personal Injury & Property  
Damage, Product Liability

#### **Major Cases**

- *H&H Cerritos v. U.S.  
Mineral Products*: \$14.1 mil-  
lion jury verdict for asbestos  
removal from mall

- *Davis v. R.J. Reynolds*:  
Anti-tobacco litigation for  
state of California for then-Lt.  
Gov. Davis

- *Shames v. City of San  
Diego*: Consumer class action  
to rebate sewage fee over-  
charges by city to single family  
residences (\$40 million over  
four years)

- *Sierra Club v. International  
Boundary and Water  
Commission*: Forced supple-  
mental environmental impact  
report re South Bay sewage  
facility.

- *People v. Hanley*:  
Defended client in jury trial  
against murder charges.

- *Renteria v. RWM  
Communications*: Jury verdict  
for personal injuries on fall  
from pole during training class

#### **Professional Background**

I began as a divorce lawyer

after graduating in 1974. I then  
went to the Public Defenders  
Program of San Diego for six  
years, to private practice in  
criminal defense and juvenile  
law for five years, to clinical  
law professor at University of  
San Diego  
Law School  
for two  
years, to  
partner at  
CaseyGerry  
for 20 years,  
and adjunct  
professor at  
USD Law  
School.



**Penfield**

I am a lec-  
turer and teacher on Jury Trial  
skills for American Association  
for Justice, the National  
Institute of Trial Advocacy and  
the University of San Diego  
Law School.

#### **Professional Affiliations**

President, Bar Association of  
North San Diego County; chair,  
American Bar Association  
Trial, Tort, Insurance Practice  
Section, Task Force on Plaintiff  
Involvement, (beginning  
August 2009); Consumer  
Attorneys of California;

Consumer Attorneys of San  
Diego; San Diego County Bar  
Association; State Bar of  
California; State Bar of  
Nebraska

#### **Personal Affiliations**

Huntington Disease Society  
of America, Hereditary Disease  
Foundation