WILLIAM D. STEMPEL

Seasoned lawyer, mediator and arbitrator with decades of experience in **clarifying options, solving problems, and getting things done** in a variety of large and small organizations and in many areas of law and business, including health care, life sciences, employment, intellectual property licensing, and general business matters. Having negotiated many complex and high-stakes business agreements himself and been in charge of making difficult decisions about litigation and other disputes, he can help clients who face difficult problems—in litigation, in business affairs or in personal matters—understand where they are, what risks they face, what options are available to them, and how to find successful resolutions.

EMPLOYMENT

W. D. STEMPEL LLC, New Haven and Hamden, CT — **2007-present**
WILLIAM D. STEMPEL LAW AND MEDIATION OFFICES, Palo Alto, CA — **2005-2007**

Private law, mediation and arbitration practice focusing on health care, life sciences, employment and business matters.

GERON CORPORATION, Menlo Park, CA — **Vice President & General Counsel 2001-2004**

Responsible for all legal affairs other than patent matters for the company (a publicly-traded biopharmaceutical company), including:

- Securities and compliance matters
- Intellectual property licensing
- Financing, strategic partnership, and commercial transactions
- Employment matters
- Board and governance matters
- Insurance and risk management
- Real estate
- Litigation

From January 2003 to November 2004, also responsible for the company's human resources function.

UCSF STANFORD HEALTH CARE, San Francisco, CA — **General Counsel 1998-2000**

Responsible for all the legal affairs of the organization (consisting of four hospitals and the professional practices of 2,000 faculty physicians, with 10,000 employees and an annual budget of $1.5 billion), including:

- Governance matters
- Billing, reimbursement, and other financial matters
- Managed care contracting
- Acquisitions, affiliations, and other transactions
- Hospital licensing and accreditation
- Labor and employment
- Compliance
- Facilities, real estate, and construction
- Medical staff matters
- Government affairs

YALE UNIVERSITY, New Haven, CT
Deputy General Counsel 1987-1998
Associate General Counsel 1982-1987
Assistant General Counsel 1981-1982

Responsibilities included substantial work in the following areas:

- Medical affairs—principal lawyer for Yale School of Medicine (including faculty clinical practice) and Yale Health Plan
- Research administration and policy
- Intellectual property and technology transfer—principal lawyer for Yale technology transfer office
- Business affairs and contracts
- Facilities and environmental and occupational health and safety
- Insurance, risk management and litigation
- Student affairs

DEBEVOISE & PLIMPTON, New York, NY — **Associate 1978-1981**

EDUCATION

J.D., Yale University, New Haven, CT, 1978
B.A., Yale University, New Haven, CT, 1975 (Summa cum laude; Phi Beta Kappa, Honors in History, the Arts and Letters)

MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION TRAINING

Mediation:

- Harvard Law School Program of Instruction for Lawyers, Cambridge, MA, June 2007, 30.5 hours
- Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA, June 2006, 18 hours
- Palo Alto Mediation Program, Palo Alto, CA, June 2004, 7 hours (community mediation)
- American Health Lawyers Association, San Francisco, CA, December 2000, 13.75 hours (health care mediation training)
- San Francisco Bar Association, San Francisco, CA, October-November 2000, 40 hours

Arbitration:

- American Dispute Resolution Center, Inc., New Britain, CT, May 2008 (commercial arbitration)
- Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, San Francisco, CA, December 2006 (securities arbitration)

ADR PANEL MEMBERSHIPS AND EXPERIENCE

- ADR Center, Inc. (commercial arbitration and mediation)
- American Health Lawyers Association (health care mediation and arbitration)
- U.S. Postal Service REDRESS program (employment mediation)
- U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (employment mediation)
- Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (securities arbitration)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIPS

- Admitted to Connecticut, New York, and California Bars
- Member, American, Connecticut, California, New Haven County, and New York City Bar Associations
- Member, Association for Conflict Resolution
- Member, American Health Lawyers Association

Speaker on health care, dispute resolution, technology transfer, research administration, and other topics at numerous conferences and workshops, including Association of American Medical Colleges, Association for Conflict Resolution, Association of Corporate Counsel, Association of University Technology Managers, Connecticut Bar Association, Licensing Executives Society, National Association of College and University Attorneys, New York State Bar Association, and others.