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Areas of Practice

Mick Fleming is co-chair of the Firm's Real Estate Litigation Practice Group and is a member of the Corporate Finance and Securities department. He focuses his practice on complex dispute resolution and also handles a number of business mergers and acquisitions. Mick has also worked on a number of complex real estate finance transactions.

Professional Experience

King County Stadium Advisory Board Member (1988-1990)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Senior Congressional Officer (1983-1985)

Admitted to Practice

Washington
U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington
U.S. District Court, Northern District of California
Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
U.S. Supreme Court
District of Columbia

Academics

University of California, Hastings College of Law (J.D., 1975)
University of Washington (B.A., *cum laude*, 1971)

Practice Group and Specialty Team Memberships

Real Estate Litigation
Corporate Finance and Securities
Mergers and Acquisitions
Real Estate
Restaurant and Hospitality

Representative Matters and Clients

Abitibi Consolidated Adv. Commercial Development Company

Represented Canadian public company in federal court action against environmental remediation company claiming breach of purchase contract and damages, securing dismissal of all claims.

Shamberger v. Pure Fitness of Washington

Represented manager/partner in securities fraud action achieving favorable settlement for proceeds of sale to third party.

Turnbow Trust Litigation

Represented two of three trust beneficiaries in large California trust dispute negotiating settlement prior to arbitration with multiple parties.

Joseph Finley v. Bishop of Victoria

Represented developer in state and federal court against claims of fraud and collusion in purchase of large industrial tract. Achieved dismissal of all actions in both courts.

Shoen v. Amerco, Inc., Arbitration, Reno, Nevada

Represented shareholder in successful enforcement of registration rights agreement taking public the parent company of U-Haul Truck Rental Company.

Zeta Music Systems Inc. v. Gibson Guitar Co., Arbitration, San Francisco, CA

Federal court enforcement action, represented Zeta in an action to recind merger agreement and recover damages in excess of \$1 million for breach of fiduciary duty.

Gerry Sportswear Co. v. Amerex USA Inc., Arbitration, New York City

Represented former owner of sportswear company in an action for breach of the acquisition and employment agreements by Amerex USA Inc., collecting in excess of \$2 million in damages and fees.

Labor Ready Inc., Initial Public Offering

Represented Van Kasper Securities, the lead underwriter in this \$34 million initial public offering of Labor Ready stock and the listing on NASDAQ's National Market System.

Amerco, Inc., Follow on offering

Represented the selling shareholder in this registration and sale of \$10 million of his Amerco stock.

Fletcher's Fine Foods

Represented company in the initial public offering of the stock in both U.S. and Canadian markets.

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Speaking Engagements

“Real Estate Transition Course: 2010 Changes to WA State Laws for Real Estate Brokers,” Building Owners and Managers Association of Seattle King County, October 26, 2010

Awards and Honors

Peer Review Rated “AV” in Martindale-Hubbell

Professional and Community Activities

Board of Directors, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation of Washington

Board of Directors, Seattle Children's Museum

Board of Directors, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Puget Sound

Board Chair, 2008-2009

Board of Directors, Legal Aid Washington

American Bar Association

Washington State Bar Association

King County Bar Association

District of Columbia Bar

Washington State Trial Lawyers Association

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Washington D.C. (1983-1985)