

# MARC JOHN RANDAZZA

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Education

#### **JURIS DOCTOR**

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER - 2000

*Focus on First Amendment and media law*

#### **MASTER OF ARTS IN MASS COMMUNICATION**

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA - 2003

*Focus on research in media studies, branding, public relations, and advertising as well as publication and teaching in First Amendment studies*

#### **BACHELOR OF ARTS IN JOURNALISM**

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS - 1994 *with honors.*

*Focus on media law studies*

### Legal Practice Experience

#### **RANAZZA LEGAL GROUP., Managing Partner**

**San Diego, California** – July 2009 to Present

- *Litigation and Appellate Responsibilities*
  - First Amendment litigation
  - Trademark and copyright litigation
  - Domain name arbitration disputes
- *Transactional Responsibilities*
  - Providing advice to clients on First Amendment, copyright, trademark, domain name law, internet law, and entertainment law
  - Trademark registration practice
  - Negotiating and drafting intellectual property agreements including right of publicity transactions, non-competition agreements, and trade secret protection agreements
  - Drafting online affiliate agreements, terms & conditions, and privacy policies
  - Providing advice on state and federal regulatory matters

#### **WESTON, GARROU, WALTERS & MOONEY, Partner**

**Orlando, Florida** – July 2004 to July 2009

- *Litigation and Appellate Responsibilities*
  - First Amendment litigation in federal and state courts
  - Trademark and copyright infringement litigation in federal court
  - Defamation litigation in federal and state courts
  - Appellate practice in state and federal appellate courts
  - Domain name disputes under the UDRP
  - Domain name disputes before international bodies outside of the UDRP
- *Transactional Responsibilities*
  - Trademark registration practice
  - Negotiating and drafting intellectual property agreements including right of publicity transactions, non-competition agreements, and trade secret protection agreements
  - Drafting online affiliate agreements, terms & conditions, and privacy policies
  - Drafting website reviews for clients to assist in intellectual property protection litigation avoidance, and compliance with federal law
  - Providing clients advice on First Amendment and media law matters
  - Providing advice on state and federal regulatory matters

**BECKER & POLIAKOFF, P.A., Associate**

**Fort Myers, Florida,** January 2003 – June 2004

- *Media/First Amendment practice*
  - Provided pre-publication review, and libel defense counsel to publications
  - Handled zoning and First Amendment issues
  - Advised clients on FCC regulations
  - Advised clients on copyright issues
- *Real estate/corporate/community association practice*
  - Corporate counsel to condominium, cooperative, and homeowners associations as well as country clubs and timeshare developments
  - Assisted clients with resolution of construction defect, maintenance, and covenant enforcement disputes

**Clerkships**

**RYDIN & CARLSTEN AVOKATBYRÅ AB, Summer Associate**

**Stockholm, Sweden,** Summer 1999

- Researched and wrote memoranda for the firm's intellectual property law practice
- Second-chaired a case in the International Court of Arbitration resulting in a \$2.8 million verdict in a commercial dispute

**SUPREME COURT OF VERMONT, Judicial Law Clerk**

**Montpelier, Vermont,** Summer 1998

- Wrote memoranda of law for Justice Denise Johnson
- Wrote two draft opinions that were later adopted and published by the Supreme Court
- Attended weekly meetings to discuss cases with the justices of the Supreme Court

**Teaching Experience**

**BARRY UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Adjunct Professor of Law**

**Orlando, Florida,** August 2006 to Present

**Courses Taught:**

- **Trademark Law,** 2006 – 2009
- **Entertainment Law,** 2007 – 2009
- **First Amendment Law,** 2007 – 2009
- **Copyright Law,** 2006 – 2007
- **Sports Law,** Summer 2007

**Additional activities and Responsibilities:**

- **Served as a supervised research advisor to multiple students for First Amendment and intellectual property research**
- **Assisted with First Amendment moot court competition**

**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA, Research and Teaching Fellowship**

**Gainesville, Florida,** August 2000 - May 2002

- Taught classes on media law, including coverage of copyright, trademark, obscenity, libel, campaign finance, and constitutional law
- Assisted in the production of a media law case book
- Conducted legal research and writing for publication in various law journals

**Admitted To Practice**

United States Supreme Court  
 1<sup>st</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals  
 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals  
 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals  
 U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit  
 Supreme Court of Massachusetts  
 Supreme Court of Florida  
 U.S. District Court - Middle District of Florida  
 U.S. District Court - Northern District of Florida  
 U.S. District Court - Southern District of Florida  
 U.S. District Court - District of Massachusetts  
 U.S. District Court – Eastern District of Michigan

**Law Review & Bar  
 Journal Publications**

- *Gambling in America's Senior Communities*, 8 MARQUETTE ELDER LAW ADVISOR 343 (2007) (co-authored with Daniel Russell)
- *The Florida Supreme Court Dulls the Edge of Rule 1.420(e)*, 80 FLA. BAR J. 39 (2006)
- *Condo Casino! Gambling in Florida Community Associations*, 79 FLA. BAR J. 8 (2005)
- *The Other Election Controversy of Y2K: Core First Amendment Values and High-Tech Political Coalitions*, 82 WASH. U. L. Q. 143 (2004)
- *Getting to Yes With Terrorists*, 2002 L. Rev. M.S.U.-D.C.L. 823. (Mich. State L. Rev)
- *Breaking Duverger's Law is not Illegal: Strategic Voting, the Internet and the 2000 Presidential Election*, 2001 UCLA J. L. TECH. 6. (2001)
- *The Constitutionality of Online Vote Swapping*, 34 Loyola L.A. L. Rev. 1297 (2001)

**Other Legal  
 Publications**

- *2257 Regs a Boon to Patriotic Adult Film Producers*, ADULT VIDEO NEWS, Jun 2005
- *Foreign Content and Section 2257*, XBIZ, Jun. 2005
- *Republicans Save US Jobs (unwittingly)*, XBIZ, May 2005
- *Commentary for Congress*, ADULT VIDEO NEWS, March 2005
- *Kiffmeyer – Too Partisan for the Job?* MINN. LAW & POLITICS, Summer 2004
- *Copyright and the Clubhouse*, CONDO MANAGEMENT, Nov. 2003
- *Character Counts: Defamation Law for Community Associations*, COMMUNITY UPDATE, Jan 2003
- *Copyright Issues for Free Fall Photographers*, SKYDIVING MAGAZINE, Oct. 2003
- *Neither is a Fish or a Bird (the Prisco Decision)*, 25 ACTIONLINE 4 (2003)
- *Satellite Dishes and Community Associations*, CONDO MANAGEMENT (2003)
- *The Forgotten Electoral Controversy*, INTERMEDIA, April 2001

**Television & Radio  
 Guest Appearances**

- National Public Radio, Cyber Harassment and the Law, March 3, 2009
- Fox 35 Orlando, Kids Can't Play Outside Condos, March 3, 2009
- Fox 35 Orlando, New Year's Festivities and the Law, Dec. 30, 2008
- Fox 35 Orlando, Teacher to Blame Hormones, Nov. 19, 2008
- Fox 35 Orlando, Target Mis-prices Car Seats, Nov. 18, 2008
- Lisa Macci's The Justice Hour: Discussing new Sex Laws and the theory of Intentional Sex Torts, Jul. 14, 2008
- The Curtis Sliwa Show, WABC, New York, discussing the Bauer v. Wikipedia defamation case, and Section 230. Jul. 1, 2008
- Lisa Macci's The Justice Hour: Discussing the Connection Distribution case and

Section 2257, May 5, 2008

- Fox News, Fox and Friends: The First Amendment and the “Lyrical Terrorist,” Nov. 10, 2007
  - Fox News, Fox and Friends: Discussing Bradenton High School “Body Painting” Issue, Oct. 18, 2007
  - Lisa Macci’s The Justice Hour: SLAPP suits and attorney ethics, Jul. 2, 2007
  - Fox News, Fox and Friends: Discussing Don Imus’ Comments about the Rutgers’ Basketball Team, Apr. 10, 2007
  - Lisa Macci’s The Justice Hour: Restrictions on attorney speech, Jan. 22, 2007
  - CNBC: On the Money, Discussing online gambling and prosecutions, Jan. 16, 2007
  - Domain Masters: Discussing domain law, gaming law, and First Amendment law with Monte Cahn. Dec. 22, 2006
  - Bess Kargman, “Blogsuits” What Effect will Libel Threat Have on the Blogosphere?, Oct. 23, 2006
  - Fox News, The Lineup: Video Games and the First Amendment, Sept. 30, 2006
  - Fox News, The Lineup: First Amendment and Prisons, Sept. 9, 2006
  - Fox News, Heartland with John Kasich: First Amendment Issues and Public Schools, Dec. 30, 2005
  - Fox News, Dayside: Commentary on Church-State Issues, Nov. 9,
  - Fox News, Heartland with John Kasich: Commentary on Separation of Church and State, Oct. 15, 2005
  - Fox News, Live: Commentary and Debate on Online Vote Pairing, Oct. 17, 2004
  - Bob Frantz Show: News/Talk 1370: Discussing Election Law Issues. Oct. 10, 2004
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- Who’s to Blame for Bill O’Reilly Hack?, Datamation, Sept. 24, 2008
  - California seeks compensation for posting laws online, Washington Times, Sept. 15, 2008
  - Experts: SIUE shooting threat case will test First Amendment, St. Clair County Journal, Sep. 10, 2008
  - Juicy Campus Web site faces opposition from UF officials, Florida Alligator, Aug. 7, 2008
  - Lawyers to name defendants in AutoAdmit case, Yale Daily News, Jul. 31, 2008
  - Yale Students’ Lawsuit Unmasks Anonymous Trolls, Opens Pandora’s Box, WIRED, Jul. 30, 2008
  - Oregon claims state law copyrighted, The Washington Times, Apr. 19, 2008
  - Lawyers, artists the world over are captivated by case, Fort Myers News-Press, Apr. 12, 2008
  - Operation MBI Shame, Orlando Weekly, Oct. 18, 2007
  - Classic hustler caught in net scam, Las Vegas Sun, Sept. 12, 2007
  - SLAPP Happy, Orlando Weekly, Aug. 9, 2007
  - Towering Rage, Luxury condo developers up the ante with critics, Broward New Times, Jul. 26, 2007
  - Case Dismissed, Bay Windows, Jul. 12, 2007
  - Kink.com Appeals URL Deemed ‘Obscene’, XBiz World, Jul. 2007 at 16.
  - The F-Bomb, Orlando Weekly, Jun. 7, 2007
  - Dredging opponent claims developer sent him intimidation letter, Naples News, Apr. 20, 2007

**Quotes and Interviews in Newspapers, Magazines, and other Publications**

- Resident turns tables on developer with countersuit, Orlando Sentinel, Apr. 7, 2007
- Lawsuit Seeks to Block Blogger: Orlando Sentinel, Sep. 5, 2006
- Morality Battle Carries On: Tampa Tribune, Aug. 17, 2006
- ‘Intelligent design’ case to undergo 2-pronged test: Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, Oct. 2, 2005
- Plan for ‘Adult’ Store Draws Residents’ Fire: Florida Times-Union (Jacksonville) Jan. 8, 2005
- Swap the Vote: Orlando Weekly, Oct. 24, 2004
- I’ll Vote Nader If You Vote Kerry: East Bay Express (California), Sep. 29, 2004
- BACK NEWS: Network World, Sep. 27, 2004
- Kerry backers seek Nader vote exchange: Chattanooga Times Free Press (Tennessee), Sep. 22, 2004
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#### Online Only Sources

- A Domain by Any Other Name..., AVN Online, December 1, 2008
- Absurd Links Lawsuit Could Unravel Web, Daily Online Examiner, Oct. 7, 2008
- Woman Sentenced for Web Site With ‘obscene’ Stories, PC World, Aug. 7, 2008
- 3rd Circuit won’t create new category of unprotected speech, Freedom Forum First Amendment Center, Aug. 1, 2008
- Supreme’s Nod to Guns Could be a Boon to Free Speech, XBiz, Jul. 1, 2008
- US Law Aims to Catch Up With Tech - and Misses, eCommerce Times, Jun. 23, 2008
- Kink.com Appeals URL Deemed ‘Obscene’, XBiz, Jun. 11, 2007
- Patent Office Refuses Porn Site Trademark Due To ‘Obscenity’, AVNOnline, Jun. 11, 2007
- Microsoft Sues Cybersquatters, Raises Awareness, Xbiz, Mar. 14, 2007
- Legal Experts Look Closely at New 2257 Regs, Xbiz, May 25, 2005

#### Speaking Engagements

- **First Amendment Lawyers’ Association.** Lectured on the intersection of intellectual property law and free speech, *February 2009, New Orleans, LA*
- **Adult Entertainment Expo.** Lectured on intellectual property, brand management, free speech issues and section 2257, *January 2009, Las Vegas, NV*
- **First Amendment Lawyers’ Association.** Lectured on U.S. trademark law and domain name disputes, *July 2008, San Francisco, CA*
- **Seminole County Inns of Court.** Lectured judges and lawyers on defamation law issues, *February 10, 2008, Orlando, FL*
- **The International Institute of Communications Annual Meeting.** Lectured on US media law to an audience of international businesspeople, government officials, and academics. *October 1-4, 2001, Singapore*
- **Friedrich Ebert Stiftung and Nanyang Technological University Conference on “Media, Civil Society and Good Governance in Southeast Asia.”** Lectured on media law in the post-September 11th United States. *November 7-9, 2001, Singapore*
- **Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)** southeast colloquium. Lectured on internet law. *March 8-10, 2001, Columbia, SC*

#### Professional Organizations

First Amendment Lawyers Association  
 International Trademark Association  
 American Civil Liberties Union – Guardian of Freedom

