

# Charles F. Robinson

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## EDUCATION

J.D. 1983      YALE LAW SCHOOL  
New Haven, CT

- *John Currier Gallagher Prize Trial, Thomas Swan Barristers' Union*

B.A. 1979      HARVARD UNIVERSITY  
*magna cum laude*      Cambridge, MA

- *Albert M. Fulton Prize (best senior honors thesis).*
- *John Harvard Scholarship (for academic achievement of the highest distinction).*
- *State Finalist (Pennsylvania), Rhodes Scholarship competition, 1978-79.*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Jan. 2007 -      REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA  
present      Oakland, CA

General Counsel & Vice President, Legal Affairs

- *Chief Legal Officer of 10-campus public research university system, comprising 250,00 students, 200,000 employees, and \$29B budget; provide advice and counsel to governing Board, President and senior leadership at central office, campuses and medical centers; oversee 105-attorney legal department and manage \$150M legal budget; represent the University in all legal, regulatory and administrative proceedings; one of four Principal Officers to the Regents and member of President's executive committee.*

Apr. 2000 –      CALIFORNIA INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR  
Dec. 2006      CORPORATION  
Folsom, CA

Vice President, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary

- *Chief Legal Officer of federally-regulated wholesale electric utility company operating most of California's high voltage transmission grid; executive management team member and general manager of the Legal & Regulatory and Corporate Secretary Departments.*



Acting Chief Administrative Officer (Jun. 2004 – Mar. 2005)

- *Pending conclusion of search for new CEO, assumed primary responsibility for all corporate administrative functions—including Finance, Human Resources, Corporate Communications, Security, Facilities, Strategic Planning and Regulatory Policy—in addition to responsibilities for Legal & Regulatory, Compliance, Market Analysis, Governmental Affairs and Corporate Secretary.*

Feb. 1999 –  
Mar. 2000

PACKARD BELL NEC  
Sacramento, CA

Assistant General Counsel, Director of Litigation

- *Chief legal manager of the Company's litigation portfolio and of all pre-litigation claims, disputes and investigations.*
- *Retained and oversaw outside counsel, developed case/business objectives, consulted on strategy, established and maintained budgets, counseled senior management.*
- *Supported the Company's Real Estate Group and maintained the Company's foreign and domestic corporate registrations.*

Jul. 1995 –  
Feb. 1999

RAYCHEM CORPORATION  
Menlo Park, CA

Division Counsel

- *Counsel for the telecommunications, active network electronics, and energy groups and for the Latin America and Asia regions.*
- *Delivered general legal counsel and training, negotiated and documented business alliances and commercial transactions, and managed litigation.*
- *Significant work in the areas of antitrust, securities and export control compliance; sales channel management; licensing; intellectual property and products liability litigation.*

Nov. 1983 –  
Jun. 1995

HELLER EHRMAN WHITE & McAULIFFE  
San Francisco, CA

Partner (Jan. 1989 – Jun. 1995)  
Associate (Oct. 1983 – Dec. 1988)

- *General commercial litigation practice focusing in the areas of securities, antitrust, insurance coverage, environmental, copyright, immigration and civil rights law, and consumer class actions.*

Aug. 1982 – THE HON. WILLIAM H. ORRICK  
Aug. 1983 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
San Francisco, CA

Law Clerk

- *Conducted legal research, drafted bench memoranda and proposed orders and opinions.*

## BAR ADMISSIONS

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS, NINTH CIRCUIT  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURTS, NORTHERN AND  
EASTERN DISTRICTS  
STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2011 – present PJM INTERCONNECTION LLC, Member, Board of Managers
- 2014 – present MARCUS FOSTER EDUCATION INSTITUTE, Member, Board of Directors
- 2009 – present AMERICAN LAW INSTITUTE
- 2007 – present NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ATTORNEYS
- 2006 – present NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CORPORATE DIRECTORS
- 1999 – present AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION (Litigation and Energy Sections)
- 2009 – 2014 BERKELEY COMMUNITY FUND, Member, Board of Directors
- 2005 – 2007 ENERGY BAR ASSOCIATION
- 1989 – 1999 NAACP LEGAL DEFENSE FUND, NORTHERN CALIFORNIA STEERING COMMITTEE
- 1994 – 1997 LEGAL SERVICES TRUST FUND (IOLTA) COMMISSION (Vice Chairman; Member)
- 1990 – 1995 PUBLIC INTEREST CLEARINGHOUSE (President; Treasurer)