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Professional Profile

During twenty-plus years as a legal advisor, business advisor, and litigation attorney, Meredith distinguished herself as one of the top securities litigators in the nation and was named one of the Top 100 women litigators in California. Meredith achieved extraordinary success in managing crises and developing business strategies, while concurrently establishing legal precedents involving significant U.S. and international transactions for a broad range of companies and industries. She was the lead attorney on major SEC and international cases, directing both boards of directors and executive management on legal, corporate governance, ethics and regulatory compliance, business strategy, and financial issues. Her work encompasses domestic U.S. and international public companies, private companies and major venture capital/private equity firms, as well as high net worth individual investors.

Career Highlights:

- Led and executed successful crisis management and public relations strategies for domestic and international clients, managing multi-front crises and defending companies and their boards against regulatory, shareholder and public relations challenges in multiple jurisdictions.
- Managed high stakes negotiations involving multi-cultural, multilingual parties and led global litigation utilizing international, multilingual teams to defend boards and companies against legal and business challenges in multiple venues.
- Global legal and business advisor to U.S.-listed public companies that operate in China. Key advisor on litigation risks, ethics and regulatory compliance, corporate governance issues, financial transactions, related party negotiations, earnings and other financial announcements, audits, key management changes, and the overlay and conflicts between Chinese and U.S. systems and financial markets.
- Lead defense counsel in U.S. regulatory matters with no financial penalties or fines assessed. Significant experience in trial and appellate proceedings before state and federal courts in major precedent-setting cases.

Experience

O'Melveny & Myers, LLP – Equity Partner

2003-2012

- Headed Silicon Valley Litigation Group and was appointed Head of Securities Litigation for the Firm's Asia offices (Beijing, Shanghai and Hong Kong); Leadership roles in many firmwide committees, including the Selection Committee, which made recommendations on Policy and Compensation committee members, Pro Bono committee, the Special Advisory Committee, which made recommendations on selection of the Chairman of the firm, the Diversity Committee, and

served as Co-Chair of the Hiring Committee for the Silicon Valley office. Led the Silicon Valley Women's Affinity Group and attended the firm's Women's Leadership Academy. Major successes:

- Lead defense counsel for board and management of Silicon Graphics (formerly Rackable Systems) in securities class action and shareholder derivative litigation. Persuaded federal court to throw out the securities class action and persuaded shareholders' counsel to walk away from shareholder derivative litigation with no payment or concessions of any kind made by clients.
- Managed multi-front "Diploma-gate" scandal on behalf of public company board, allowing board to retain very popular CEO accused of misrepresenting his credentials. Managed public relations, human resources, corporate governance, ethics compliance, auditor oversight and regulatory challenges. Resulted in no auditor withdrawal or management letters and no regulatory or shareholder action taken.
- Industry-changing victory on behalf of a group of venture capital board members in litigation arising from the liquidation of a portfolio company.

Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison – Associate (1989-1995) and Equity Partner (1996-2003)

- Founded and led Silicon Valley Securities Litigation Group, growing the group from 2 partners to a team of approximately 20 lawyers and staff; serving on many firmwide committees, including the Partnership Committee, which made compensation recommendations for the firm's Chairman, Managing Partner and Operations Committee members. Successes include:
 - Obtained complete defense win in jury trial on behalf of Robertson, Stephens & Co. in an action seeking over \$330 million in damages based on an alleged oral guarantee to take a start-up company public at a specific valuation.
 - Antitrust trial victories for Nintendo of America, Wang Laboratories, San Jose Mercury News, and convinced the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice not to proceed against Robertson Stephens in Nasdaq Market-Makers Antitrust Litigation.
 - Regularly advised pre-IPO companies on public company responsibilities, how to communicate with shareholders and analysts and litigation avoidance.
 - Negotiated "walkaways" of securities class actions in cases alleging hundreds of millions of dollars in damages and represented numerous companies and individuals in SEC proceedings, resulting in no regulatory action taken.

**Law Clerk, Hon. Harry W. Low, Presiding Justice, California Court of Appeal (First District)
1988-1989**

Education:

- B.A. Louisiana State University, 1983

- J.D. University of California at Berkeley (Boalt Hall), 1988; Executive Editor, *California Law Review*
- Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University, Executive Leadership Training Program, 2009
- Stanford Directors' College Executive Education Program, panelist 2009-2011 and successfully completed program in 2010 and 2011.