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EDUCATION

Stanford University, Palo Alto, California

Department of Geological and Environmental Science

Ph.D. Candidate

May 2009

- ***Paleotopography:*** Controversy remains as to the timing and mechanisms of uplift of the Sierra Nevada, as well as the relationship of that range to the Basin and Range province and the North American Cordillera. Large topographic uplift creates an isotopic shift in meteoric waters leeward of the new topography. By isolating the geography and timing of such shifts, I am working to constrain the extent and relative magnitude of the major orogens of western North America.
- ***Paleolimnology:*** Using a combination of isotopic geochemistry, sedimentology and sequence stratigraphy, I am also researching the hydrologic cyclicity of paleo-lakes that were prevalent in Paleogene western North America.

University of Virginia School of Law

Charlottesville, Virginia

Juris Doctor

May 2001

- *Journal of Law and Politics*, Technology and Projects Editor, <http://jlp.law.virginia.edu>
- Moot Court Competition, First Round Presiding Justice

University of Florida

Gainesville, Florida

Bachelor of Arts with Honors

May 1998

- Double Major, Political Science and Philosophy
Studies focused on comparative political and social philosophy throughout human history, including the ancient Greeks, enlightenment thinkers, Native American civilizations and modern American jurisprudence.
- Phi Beta Kappa
- Trombonist, Pride of the Sunshine Marching Band (1996-97)

EXPERIENCE

Gray Cary Ware & Freidenrich LLP

Palo Alto, California

Associate

January 2001—July 2004

- ***Private Companies:*** Advise and represent start-up company clients in the course of incorporation, equity financings, recapitalizations, mergers, acquisitions and other liquidation events. Significant experience with the due diligence process, drafting of all relevant deal documents, and leading negotiations with opposing counsel.
- ***Venture Capital Funds:*** Advise and represent VC fund clients during the negotiation of term sheets and subsequent equity investments. Assisted in the formation of several funds.
- ***Public Companies:*** Advise and represent publicly-traded companies regarding compliance with the '33 and '34 Acts: representation of lead underwriter in an initial public offering, filing of registration statements, public-public mergers, public-private mergers, spin-offs, filing of proxy statements and regular reports, and compliance with Rule 144 with respect to the sale of restricted securities.

INTERESTS

Backpacking/Long-Distance Hiking, Fly-fishing, Art History, Mountaineering, Bluegrass, Telemark