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## Overview

With a legal career spanning more than four decades, Barry Weissman offers significant insurance and reinsurance industry experience. He partners with clients in advising them on various methodologies to help them achieve their desired results.

He represents various forms of insurance and reinsurance entities in regulatory proceedings, transactional matters, and resolution of disputes in both litigation scenarios and alternative dispute mechanisms such as arbitrations and mediations. He also works with numerous national and international corporations, banking and financial institutions, insurers, reinsurers, captives (on and offshore), insurance and reinsurance intermediaries, risk purchasing and retention groups, and departments of insurance. On behalf of departments of insurance, his work has included representing insurance companies in regulatory matters such as Form A's, acting as liquidator and rehabilitator of troubled insurance companies, and representing commissioners in various legal actions.

Barry partners with his clients on various complex and diverse matters, such as formations, capitalizations, mergers, acquisitions, portfolio transfers, insurance-linked securities, commutations, restructurings, and dissolution of captives and receiverships. Clients have complimented him and recommend him to others so he can assist them on their operational and regulatory needs, including global licensing, policy drafting, and participating in legislative activities. His legislative activities have included working as part of the team that drafted the California Risk Retention Act, and the Cumis legislation (regarding insurance companies' use of separate counsel when their interests potentially conflict with those of their insureds), and serving on the California State Senate Advisory Commission on Malpractice Insurance.

## All Insights

03.27.2020    Coronavirus State Insurance Regulatory Developments

10.03.2019    The Shared Economy  
*Thomson Reuters*

04.29.2019    Brexit This Way

04.17.2019    Senate Follows House Seeking to Make Cannabis Banking "S.A.F.E."

04.01.2019	Is Cannabis Banking "SAFE"? Marijuana and Its Secure and Fair Enforcement
10.17.2018	Florida Insurance Commissioner Issues Hurricane Michael Emergency Order
07.09.2018	California Passes Stringent Privacy Law Akin to GDPR
05.15.2018	Future of Cryptocurrency Insurance is Tough to Predict <i>Daily Journal</i>
05.03.2017	In Florida, House Bill 805 Will Likely Allow Insurance Policy Transfers
03.08.2017	China Tightens Regulations on Investing Insurance Funds in Shares of Listed Companies
08.15.2016	Brexit's Impact on the Insurance Industry
08.15.2016	Changes in Cuba May Impact the Insurance Industry
06.30.2016	Brexit's Impact on the Insurance Industry
02.17.2016	Arbitration Award Overturned Because Panel Not Impartial
09.19.2015	Solvency II and its negative impact on the US reinsurance industry
02.07.2015	As Concussion Cases Grow, Insurance Is In Doubt
03.01.2014	Changes Expected

## All News

07.17.2020	SQrBlock Solutions, LLC Offers Blockchain-Based Supply Chain Management and Digital Certification for the Cannabis Industry
05.05.2020	Carlton Fields Grows Holistic Service Offerings with Launch of SQrBlock Solutions
04.23.2020	Carlton Fields Ranks Among Best in Chambers USA 2020 Guide
02.14.2020	The Long View: Carlton Fields is a One-Stop Shop for Companies Looking to Capitalize on Growth Markets
10.22.2019	Now Boarding for Brexit: What Businesses Need to Do
05.03.2019	Carlton Fields Ranks Among Best in Chambers USA 2019 Guide
06.25.2018	Carlton Fields Shareholder Barry Leigh Weissman Appointed to COAF

05.04.2018	Carlton Fields Ranks Among Best in 2018 Chambers USA Guide
08.03.2017	BTI Ranks Carlton Fields among Firms with Best Insurance Industry Client Relationships
08.01.2017	David Cannella and Barry Leigh Weissman Published in Thomson Reuters Westlaw: The Shared Economy
07.12.2017	Barry Weissman Will Moderate Panel Discussion, "The Reinsurance Law Developments," at PCI Northeast General Counsel Seminar
06.12.2017	UL Political Turmoil Stalls Key New Insurance Regulation
06.08.2017	Carlton Fields Ranks Among Best in 2017 Chambers USA Guide

## Recognition

- *Chambers USA*, Band 1 for Insurance: Reinsurance (2007–2019)
- Listed in *Leading Lawyers for Business* (2007–2015)
- Southern California Super Lawyers, *Law & Politics* (2005, 2007, 2010)

## Professional & Community Involvement

- International Association of Insurance Receivers
- ARIAS-U.S. (1995–present)
- American Bar Association
  - General Practice, International Law, Litigation Sections
  - Council of the General Practice Section
- State Bar of California
  - Council on Access and Fairness (2016–2019)
  - Chair, Standing Committee on Insurance Law, Business Law Section (2014)
- California State Senate Advisory Commission on Malpractice Insurance

## Speaking Engagements

- "Representations and Warranties Insurance: A Third-Party Risk Partner for M&A Transactions," California Lawyers Association Business Law Section Insurance Law Symposium - Insurance Law and Regulation for Non-Insurance Lawyers (May 20, 2021)
- "Plenary Session No. 10: Brexit! What Happens Next?," ABA 43rd Annual TIPS Midwinter Symposium on Insurance and Employee Benefits, Coral Gables, FL (January 14, 2017)
- "Insurance in the Age of a Shared Economy: A Primer and a View of the Future Impact," Association of Professional Insurance Women, New York, NY (September 21, 2016)

- "Member Company General Counsel Panel," Northeast General Counsel Seminar, American Property Casualty Insurers Association of America, Philadelphia, PA (September 19, 2016)
- "California Fair Claims Settlement Regulations," International Underwriting Association of London, London (May 10, 2016)
- "New and Emerging Risks and Regions: Top Ten Global Risks, New and Emerging Regions, and Types of Coverages for Which Captives Are Being Used," ACI's Fourth Annual Forum on Captive Insurance, New York, NY (May 2–3, 2016)
- "Collection Issues for Alternative Capital Funding," Re Claims Bermuda 2016: Navigating the World of Reinsurance Protection When Loss Strikes, Reinsurance Association of America, Hamilton, Bermuda (March 16–17, 2016)
- "Collection Issues for Alternative Capital Funding," Re Claims 2015: Navigating the World of Reinsurance Protection When Loss Strikes, Reinsurance Association of America, New York, NY (October 16, 2015)
- "Governance of Captives, Complying With Regulatory Demands, and Regulatory Issues with NAIC, FIO, and the IAIS," ACI's Third Annual Forum on Captive Insurance, New York, NY (April 24, 2015)

## Credentials

### EDUCATION

- Santa Clara University School of Law (J.D.)
- University of California, Davis (B.A.)

### BAR ADMISSIONS

- California
- District of Columbia
- New York

### COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York

## Background

- Partner, Edwards Wildman, Los Angeles, CA

## Areas of Focus

### PRACTICES

- Blockchain and Digital Currency
- Business Transactions
- Cannabis Law
- Cybersecurity and Privacy
- Financial Services Regulatory
- Government Law & Consulting
- International
- International Insurance Regulatory

### INDUSTRIES

- Life, Annuity, and Retirement Solutions

- Institutional Investment and Finance
- Life, Annuity, and Retirement Litigation
- Life, Annuity, and Retirement Solutions
- Litigation and Trials
- Property & Casualty Insurance
- Real Property Litigation
- Reinsurance
- Technology
- Title Insurance