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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

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Nationality: French/Canadian

EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Master in Business law from Paris II University;
Admitted to the Paris Bar in 1981. Holds certificates of expertise in new technologies, IT and communication and also in intellectual property law.

Admitted to the Quebec Bar, 2016.

LANGUAGES

French, English

PRESENT POSITION

Member of the Paris Bar since 1981.

Co-Founded with Bruno Grégoire Sainte Marie "FG Associés" law firm in 1988, which merged with the international law firm Salans in 1998 to constitute the Department of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in its Paris office. In 2006, created a new boutique firm Feral-Schuhl / Sainte-Marie (2006).

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Specialized in information, communication and technology law as well as intellectual property law. Particularly involved in matters of computer, internet, media and telecommunications. Clients include

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leading IT users, IT and technological product consumers (commerce, banking, insurance, aeronautics, luxury brand ...) as well as IT and internet players (software publishers, providers, access and content providers ...).

Particularly involved in the following sectors:
- IT Law: integration, outsourcing contracts, cloud computing, software licensing, maintenance and assistance, distribution); litigation (IT projects, infringement, unfair or illegal competition); license audits and pre-litigation; cybersecurity…;
- Personal data law: strategic consultations, personal data audits, formalities and litigation before the supervisory authority, training and support for the Data Protection Officers (DPO);
- Internet and Media Law: website auditing, support and creation of commercial websites and several digital platforms, on-line contracts, electronic signature and more generally e-commerce operations; various litigation matters (domain names, providers' liability, defamation, infringements of third party rights …);
- Telecommunications Law: drafting and negotiating of contracts, satellite platform agreements, spatial segment leasing…

For rankings: http://www.feral-avocats.com/en/our-rankings/.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Elected President of the "Association pour le Développement de l'Informatique Juridique" for ten years (2000 to 2010) and is currently the honorary president. Has also been a lecturer in e-commerce law as part of the University of Paris I master's program "*Droit de l'Internet Public*" (2007 to 2009).

Appointed member of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Bar of Paris (1982-1985), elected member of the board of directors of the CARPA (1987-1991), then member of the executive committee of the CARPA, administrator of EDIAVOCAT (1993-1997), member of the Conseil de l'Ordre des

Avocats (1994-1996) and coordinator of the Emerging Markets and New Technologies Committee.

Elected President of the Paris Bar (2012-2013).

Member of the Gender Equality High Council (HCEfh) appointed by Order of January 7, 2013 (2013-2015).

Member of the High Council of Administrative Courts and Administrative Courts of Appeal (CSTA CAA) appointed by decree issued by the President of the French Republic, January 2, 2015 (2015-2017).

Along with the Deputy Christian Paul, co-presided an ad hoc Parliamentary committee of inquiry into law and freedom in the digital age, (also known as the "Digital and Freedom Commission") aims to identify principles and work methods on legal issues in the digital age in order to better understand the stakes at hand prior to passing any law in this subject (2014-2015); this committee presented its report "the digital age and liberties: a new democratic era" to the President of the National Assembly, Claude Bartolone, on October 8, 2015.

Ex- President of the French National Bar Council (Conseil National des Barreaux 70 000 lawyers) (2018-2020).

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS
Co-author of several books:

- "Cybersécurité, mode d'emploi" (PUF 2022) with Xavier Leonetti;
- "La médiation à l'épreuve de la pratique" (DELMAS 2022) with Michèle Jaudel;
Author of:

- "Cyberdroit, le droit à l'épreuve de l'Internet" published by Dunod-Dalloz (8th edition 2020-2021).

- "La protection des données personnelles", Dalloz (2019);

Has also written numerous articles over the last thirty years for various publications dealing with IT, multimedia or economic issues.

EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Has significant experience with regard to litigation in the sectors of computer and software (IT management contracts, infringement and unfair or illegal competition), e-commerce law, especially regarding internet issues (domain names, internet service providers' liability, defamation, undermining of third party rights).

EXPERIENCE IN MEDIATION

Is on the list of mediators:
- World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO);
- Paris Court of Appeal;
- in civil, commercial and labor matters at Quebec Bar.

Also listed in the Lawyers' National Council of Mediation (CNMA) directory of the National Bar Council (CNB);

A Certified Mediator with the Paris Mediation and Arbitration Center (CMAP);

Practices both conventional and judicial mediation, both nationally and abroad;

As President of the Paris Bar, dedicated 2013 as being "The Paris Bar's Year of Mediation" in order to promote the use of mediation as alternative dispute resolution. In this regard, created the "*Ecole de la Médiation du Barreau de Paris*" (Paris Bar's School of Mediation).

In 2013, was awarded the Prix Médiation AME 2013 by the *Association des Médiateurs Européens"* (European Mediators Association).

EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION and CYBERARBITRATION

Has been appointed several times in arbitrations as sole arbitrator or member of an Arbitral Tribunal.
Has also acted as parties' counsel in arbitrations.
Cyber Arbitrator at the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) since 2003.