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## **PROFESSIONAL BIOGRAPHY**

Following graduation from Law School in 1973, Mr. Morgan served a clerkship with the Honorable Frank Q. Nebeker, Associate Judge of the DC Court of Appeals, Washington, D.C. Thereafter, he entered private law practice in the litigation section of a law firm in Washington, D.C. He became an associate in a general litigation firm in Salt Lake City, Utah, specializing in personal injury cases.

In 1979, he became in house legal counsel for a real estate syndication company. In 1982, he was a founder and legal counsel of a local real estate syndication company. In these positions, Mr. Morgan supervised the acquisition and disposition of over \$100 M of commercial real estate investments nationally.

For several years, Mr. Morgan served on the Board of Directors and then as Chief Legal Officer of a multi-national translation company with offices in 16 Countries. During this time, he supervised a private funding through a New York based investment firm and the company's acquisition by another international company.

In 1987, Mr. Morgan became a director and administrator of a private multimillion dollar venture firm. During this association, he supervised and counseled a number of start-up technology (software/hardware) companies. In addition, he served in a number of capacities for several of the portfolio companies including Founder, Board Chairman, Board member, President and legal counsel. Because of his extensive practical business experience, Mr. Morgan has been a lecturer at two universities and has conducted a CLE Real Estate course.

## **PRACTICE AREAS**

General Business and Business development  
Intellectual Property law  
Real Property  
Wills, Trusts & Estates

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Admitted to the following:

1973 Utah State Courts and Federal Courts

## **EDUCATION**

*Juris Doctorate*, University of Utah, 1973  
Recipient of the Bernard J. Stewart Memorial Scholarship, 1972-1973  
Bachelor of Science, Brigham Young University, 1971