

Paul Birnberg

Resume

EDUCATION

University of Minnesota Law School, J.D. Magna Cum Laude, 1992

Northwestern University, PhD in Biological Sciences, 1980

Northwestern University, M.A. in Teaching, 1973

University of Chicago, B.A. in Chemistry, with Honors, 1972

BAR ADMISSIONS

State of Minnesota, 1992

U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota, 1995

SELECTED LEGAL-COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Bench and Bar Committee, Hennepin County Housing Court

Member (1994-present), Chair of Legislative Subcommittee (2006-present), led effort that resulted in a change to Minn. Stat. § 504B.361 to create a new Writ of Recovery that is pro-se user friendly (2007)

Ad-Hoc Housing-Court-Siting Committee, Hennepin County District Court

Charged with dealing with problems at the Brookdale, Ridgedale, and Southdale Courts, leading to consolidation of all housing cases at main housing court (2000-2001)

Hennepin County Bar Association,

Chair, Landlord/Tenant Committee (1994-1996)

Reporter, Chapter 504B (Landlord-Tenant Statutes Recodification), Minnesota Legislature (1999)

Foreclosure Task Force, Minnesota Legislature (2007-2008)

SELECTED CLE AND OTHER PRESENTATIONS

Basics of Eviction Actions Against Tenants, (2011)

Neighbors, Roommates, Semi-Ex-Boyfriends and Ne'er-do-wells: Ethical Quandaries of a Landlord/Tenant Attorney, (2011)

Landlord-Tenant Issues Faced by Police, P.O.S.T. seminar for police officers, about once a year (2001-2016)

Ask the Attorney, Minnesota Multihousing Assn, 2006 and 2008

Pointers on Defending a Subsidized Housing Eviction Action, Ramsey County Bar Assn, 2004

Top Fifteen Ways A Tenant Can Assert the Right to Good Cause Lease Termination, Hennepin County Bar Assn, 1998

Technical Defenses to Unlawful Detainers and Their Policy Rationales, Hennepin County Bar Assn, 1996

HOME Line, CLE, Landlord-Tenant Law Training, 3 times per year, (1999-2016)

Real Estate Institute, Plenary Session, New Residential Lease Form CLE (2000)

SELECTED LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

Katherine Zerwas & Paul Birnberg, Due Process Denied: Handling of Eviction Cases at the Anoka & Dakota County Courts, (2011)

Paul Birnberg, Basics of Mortgage Foreclosure and Contract-for-Deed Cancellation for Tenants, *HOME Line*, (2009)

Paul R. Birnberg & Brenda Kiepert-Holthaus, Caretakers and Other “Unusual” Issues that Occur Quite Often in Eviction Cases, *MILE* (Jan. 29, 2003)

Mary Rose Geimer & Paul R. Birnberg, Minnesota Landlord/Tenant Law: Training Manual for the Police and Attorneys (2001)

David Werblow & Paul Birnberg, Due Process Denied: Handling of Hennepin County Eviction Cases at the Brookdale, Ridgedale, and Southdale Courts, (2000)

Paul R. Birnberg, Thomas Faulhaber, and Robert J. Hauer, Structured Settlements, *in* MDLA Release Deskbook 221 (Eric J. Magnuson ed. 1993)

PRIOR EMPLOYMENT

Attorney, Community Action for Suburban Hennepin (1997-2001)

Attorney, Solo Practice, Brooklyn Center, MN (1993-1997)

Clerk, The Honorable Delila Pierce, Hennepin County District Court (1993)

Clerk and Attorney, Hauer, Fargione & Love (1991-1993)

Assistant Professor of Biology, St. John’s University-College of St. Benedict (1988-89)

Research Associate, University of Minnesota (1982-1988), Horticulture & Agronomy Departments

Research Associate, University of Illinois (1980-1982), Botany Department