**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

* Supervised international litigation and transactions for global manufacturers headquartered in Tokyo, Stuttgart, and Detroit, and New York (including foreign language [Japanese, German, French, Spanish] e-data and e-discovery).
* Former Law Clerk at the United States Court of International Trade with experience in Customs Classification under the HTS, Valuation, Penalties and Appeals, TAA Appeals, Anti-Dumping, Countervailing Duties, and Intellectual Property Claims before the ITA.
* Advised on sales, agency, and distributorship laws in 50+ countries around the globe to modify global manufacturer’s distributorship and agency agreements and establish appropriate global termination policies.
* Developed and implemented antitrust, sales and business practices, and FCPA compliance programs governing business activities in Japan, Europe, and the United States.
* Managed international due diligence, comprehensive in-house investigations, and international discovery experience in Japan, Southeast Asia (Korea, Thailand, Singapore), Europe (UK, France, Spain, Germany), North and South America (Brazil, Mexico).

**EDUCATION**

BOSTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW Boston, MA

***Executive LLM in International Business Transactions***2016

Coursework in compliance, international litigation management, and international transactions

***LLM in Taxation*** anticipated 2017

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL Philadelphia, PA

***Certificate in the Study of Law (Securities Regulation, Structured Finance)*** 2011

THE FELS INSTITUTE, THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA Philadelphia, PA

***Master of Government Administration, Certificate in Public Finance*** 2011

WHARTON PROGRAM FOR WORKING PROFESSIONALS, THE WHARTON SCHOOL Philadelphia, PA

***Certificate (W’Eve) in Finance and Accounting***  2011

THE BLOUSTEIN SCHOOL, RUTGERS UNIVERSITY NEW BRUNSWICK New Brunswick, NJ

***Master of Public Policy and Politics, Non-Profit Management & Economic Development*** 2010

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, DEPARTMENT OF ORIENTAL STUDIES Philadelphia, PA

***Master of Arts, Classical Persian Literature*** 1989

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW Philadelphia, PA

***Juris Doctor*** 1989

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN, DEPT. OF ORIENTAL & AFRICAN LANGUAGES Austin, TX

***Bachelor of Arts, Modern Persian Literature and Middle Eastern Studies*** 1982

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

THE FINRA INSTITUTE AT WHARTON Philadelphia, PA

**Certified Regulatory Compliance Professional - Teaching Assistant and Assessment Proctor** 2014 - present

 Review, grade, and make recommendations on final assessments – FINRA and SEC rules and regulations, compliance best practices

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA AND THE WHARTON SCHOOL Philadelphia, PA

**Research Assistant** 2010-2011

* Third party access and deregulation of the electricity generation industry.
* Health care reform in France.

**RELEVANT LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

ATTORNEY (PRIVATE PRACTIVE) New Jersey & New York

2012 – 2014, 2016 - present

Helping my clients expand their international opportunities by delivering the professional legal & language solutions they need with the discretion they deserve. Provided critical advice on operations, planning, and structuring transactions relating to multi-million $ business incubator relating to net-zero power plant project in the Central New Jersey area. Drafted and negotiated core operating documentation, joint venture agreements, private placement memoranda, and project-related documentation under New York Law for a start-up fund focused on the up-scale residential real estate market in Queens and Manhattan. Expertise in securities regulation, public finance, structured finance, project finance, government administration, and policy formation. Foreign-Language e-discovery: German, Spanish, Portuguese (Brazilian), French, Japanese (Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and in-house investigations, cross-border mergers and acquisitions, securities fraud, and intellectual property matters (including ITA filings)).

ERNST & YOUNG Secaucus, NJ

**Senior Client Serving Associate** 2014–2016

Foreign language managed review attorney focusing on e-discovery language reviews in the following languages: Japanese, German, Spanish, French, Spanish, Portuguese, and Arabic. Managed up to 75 reviewers on first pass and redactions (image and native). Supervised Quality Control for completions, consistency, hot and critical documents, and privilege (attorney client and work product). Developed search matrices in Japanese and German for Relativity STR, created key terms lists to identify redactable material, developed training documentation for Japanese reviewers (including process diagrams and work flows), and fielded reviewer questions regarding responsiveness, relevancy, and privilege. Knowledge of Relativity search algorithms, batching, running scripts, and preparation for production hand-offs. Experience with document retention, document gathering, legal principles of e-discovery (including hold and release), discovery and litigation process.

THE WHARTON SCHOOL, THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, & THE NJ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

**Research** 2009-2011

At the request of ***Professor Dorobantu (Guillen)*** at Wharton, researched **Third party access and deregulation of the electricity generation industry**. Researched laws and regulations relating to utilities deregulation, third party access and the creation and establishment of energy pools and futures markets.

At the request of ***Professor Lynch*** at the University of Pennsylvania, researched **Health care reform in France**. Researched the political history and laws of France relating to health care and health care financing reform.

At the request of ***Camille Sailer***, head of International Trade Programs and Services at the New Jersey Economic Development Authority, researched **State-subsidization of exports**. Researched statutes providing incentives and subsidies to manufacturers and service providers seeking to expand into international markets.

VENTURE INDUSTRIES Bloomfield Hills, MI

**Associate** 2000-2002

Supervised and managed settlement negotiations relating to a multi-million dollar claim arising from breaches of warranty in the purchase of a multinational automotive subsidiary of a German industrial company. Advised counsel and senior management on the global manufacturing, logistics, and distribution implications of transactions and deals relating to the automotive plastic parts, airbag, and automotive electronics industries.

MINEBEA CO., LTD. Tokyo, Japan

**Assistant General Counsel** 1995-1999

Lead negotiator and attorney on international litigation, M&A, and alliance matters. Supervised ball bearing anti-dumping order compliance, export control review, and defended customs classification cases filed in the United States. Coordinated with engineers and technical personnel, directors and program managers, and legal and finance personnel to make recommendations relating to this $2B company’s strategic plans. Monitored intellectual property (patent and trademark), winding up, and sales and franchising litigation and supervised outside counsel in Australia, Singapore, Japan and Thailand. Claims involved computer software and hardware contracts and strategic alliances (bundling) ranging from $50M to $500M.

ALPINE ELECTRONICS INC. and ALPS ELECTRIC CO., LTD. Iwaki, Japan

**Assistant Manager, Legal Department** 1992-1995

Supervised and monitored the drafting and implementation of world-wide business and sales practices compliance program for the company’s OEM, direct sales, distribution, and marketing systems by applying in-depth knowledge of global manufacturing, logistics, distribution, warehousing, and reseller (POS and OEM) arrangements relating to the global manufacture and sale of car audio and electronic components. Strategic alliances, joint ventures, and outsourcing arrangements. Assisted in the review of Customs classifications and global antidumping compliance.

UNITED STATES COURT OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE New York, NY

**Law Clerk** 1989-1990

Classification, Substantial Transformation, Valuation, Penalty Assessment, Trade Adjustment Assistance, Anti-Dumping, and Countervailing Duty reviews. Review of appeals from Customs, the Department of Labor, and the ITA. Judge sat by designation in the Southern and Eastern District Courts of New York (narcotics, manufacturer liability).

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**Languages**: Fluent and Culturally Conversant in Japanese, French, German, Farsi and Spanish. Knowledge of Arabic, Russian, Portuguese, Dutch.

**Memberships**: Texas Exes (Life Member); American Bar Association; Association of Certified Fraud Examiners.

**Law Licensure**: New York, Connecticut, New Jersey. **Citizenship:** United States and Austria

**Relevant Publications**: **Manda, Peter,** Preparing Our Housing for the Transition to a Post-Baby Boom World: Reflections on Japan's May 26, 2015 Vacant Housing Law (November 3, 2015). Cityscape: A Journal of Policy Development and Research, Volume 17, Number 3, 2015. Available at SSRN: [http://ssrn.com/abstract=2704683](http://ssrn.com/abstract%3D2704683) **Manda, Peter,** Bringing Fairness to FCPA Settlements: Protecting the Corporate Form Through Respondeat Inferior Subsidiary Liability (March 1, 2015). International In-house Counsel Journal, Vol. 8, No. 30, Winter 2015. Available at SSRN: [http://ssrn.com/abstract=2704682](http://ssrn.com/abstract%3D2704682)

**Currently studying for the following licenses / certifications**: Relativity Administrator Certification (anticipated August, 2016); Certified Fraud Examiner Certification (anticipated January 2017); Customs Broker License (anticipated 2017).