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EDUCATION

L.L.M. in Taxation, with distinction, 1999
Georgetown University Law Center

J. D., with honors, 1996
Golden Gate University

B.A., Rhetoric and Philosophy, 1993
Willamette University

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

2001 – Present

Director (Associate prior to 2005)
Trucker Huss
San Francisco, California

1999 – 2001

Associate
Cooley Godward LLP
Palo Alto, California

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES AND AFFILIATIONS

Member, The State Bar of California

Past President, Bay Area Chapter of the
National Institute of Pension Administrators

Member, American Bar Association
(Contributing Author, Labor Section's
Employee Benefits Law)

Member, Bar Association of San Francisco

Member, Los Angeles IRS/Practitioners
Benefits Conference (Past Member of
Steering Committee)

Pacific Coast Vice President, TE/GE Council
(2023-Present)

Subcommittee Member, Joint Committee on
Employee Benefits, ABA Tax Section (Health
& Welfare 2024-Present)

Member, American Benefits Council, Health
and Welfare Task Force (2023-Present)

Member, Western Pension & Benefits Council

Mary is an attorney at Trucker Huss with more than 25 years of experience advising employers on all aspects of employee benefits.

Currently, she focuses primarily on assisting employers with implementing the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (CAA) and the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA), negotiating pharmacy benefit manager (PBM) agreements, and advising on fiduciary issues related to health and welfare plans. She also assists employers in obtaining IRS Private Letter Rulings and regularly submits comments to the Department of the Treasury/IRS and the Department of Labor, both before the issuance of regulations and in response to proposed guidance issued by those agencies.

Mary's clients include large publicly held companies and complex multi-entity health care organizations. She is a frequent lecturer on employee benefits topics, including drug pricing under health plans and fiduciary duties for health and welfare plans, for many clients and organizations, including The Commonwealth Club of California, National Public Radio (NPR) affiliate, and the Western Pension and Benefits Conference. For many years, Mary was a contributing author to *Employee Benefits Law*, published by BNA for the ABA Labor Section.

Mary is a Fellow of the American College of Employee Benefits Counsel, the highest level of recognition for an ERISA attorney. Selection as a Fellow reflects the College's judgment that a nominee has made significant contributions to the advancement of the employee benefits field. She is also a Chambers-rated lawyer, has been recognized as a Top Rated Employee Benefits Attorney by Northern California Super Lawyers since 2017, and has been recognized in Best Lawyers® in America.

ABOUT TRUCKER HUSS

With more than 30 legal professionals practicing solely in employee benefits law, Trucker Huss is one of the largest employee benefits specialty law firms in the country. Our in-depth knowledge and wealth of experience on all issues confronting benefit plans, and their plan sponsors, fiduciaries and service providers, translate into real-world, practical solutions for our clients.

