

chair of the IP Section; he now represents that section on the Board of Governors. He was appointed by the chief justice to the Mediator Credentialing Task Force, as well as to the ODRAC and the Civil Rules Committee. Greg is a University of Colorado-Boulder undergraduate and holds a law degree from the University of Michigan Law School. He is Straus/Pepperdine trained as a commercial litigation mediator.

### Mark C. Zauderer



Mark C. Zauderer, a prominent New York trial and appellate lawyer, has represented major corporations, prominent individuals, and a presidential

cabinet secretary in significant business, financial, and commercial litigation in federal and state courts throughout the United States. Mark also frequently serves as an arbitrator and private mediator of significant disputes and is a member of the national roster of commercial arbitrators of the American Arbitration Association and its International Centre for Dispute

Resolution. He is a past president of the Federal Bar Council and is a member of the Board of Editors of the New York Law Journal.

Mark currently serves as a member of the Governor's Judicial Screening Committee for the Appellate Division and is a member of the Chief Administrative Judge's Advisory Committee on Civil Practice. In 2012, he was appointed by Chief Judge Jonathan Lippman as a member of the Task Force on Commercial Litigation in the 21st Century, and in 2013, he was appointed by Chief Judge Lippman as a member of the permanent Advisory Committee of the Commercial Division. In 2015, Mark was appointed a member of the Chief Judge's Commission on Statewide Attorney Discipline.

Mark was recently honored by the New York Law Journal with its award for "Lawyers Who Lead By Example" for his contributions to public service. He is listed in Who's Who in the World, Who's Who America, New York Super Lawyers, and *New York Magazine's* "The New York Area's Best Lawyers." Mark received his J.D. from the New York University School of Law.



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Friday, March 31, 2017

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# Schedule

6:30 pm–7:30 pm **Reception**

7:30 pm– 10:00 pm **Dinner**

**Opening Remarks:** Cary Ichter, *ACAM President*

## Presentation of ACAM Awards

ACAM Civil Justice Award, For Excellence in Promoting Special Master Service and Civil Justice—Recipient: *Merril Hirsh*

Francis McGovern Award, For Outstanding Writing and Research Promoting the Use of Special Masters—Recipient: *David F. Herr*

Kenneth R. Feinberg Pro Bono Award, For Tireless Peacemaking Service for Victims and the Needy—Recipient: *Kenneth R. Feinberg*

**Welcome New Fellows:** Cary Ichter, *ACAM President*

# 2017 Awards

## ACAM Civil Justice Award

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### Recipient

Merril Hirsh  
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## Francis McGovern Writing Award

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### Recipient

David F. Herr  
*Maslon Edelman Borman &  
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## Kenneth R. Feinberg Pro Bono Award

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### Recipient

Kenneth R. Feinberg  
*Law Offices of Kenneth R.  
Feinberg, PC*



# Welcome New Fellows

## Jeffrey G. Benz



An accomplished international lawyer, arbitrator, and mediator, Jeff is a door tenant with barristers chambers 4 New

Squares in Lincoln's Inn in London. Formerly a Coudert Brothers lawyer and an in-house counsel at a variety of companies operating in the U.S., Asia, and Europe, he is a CEDR Accredited Mediator and a fellow of both the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and the College of Commercial Arbitrators, placing him among the elite of dispute resolution neutrals worldwide. Jeff was involved in investigating corruption in the international Olympic movement. He is an arbitrator with the American Arbitration Association (AAA), the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), the Scottish Arbitration Centre, the Beijing Arbitration Commission, the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre, the Republic of China Arbitration Association, the China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (CIETAC), and the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS). Jeff is a professor of law at both Pepperdine University and Instituto Superior Dereche y Economía. He has B.A. and MBA degrees from the University of Michigan and a J.D. from the University of Texas. He is admitted in California, New York, Colorado, Texas, and Hawaii.

## Hon. Christopher C. Cross (Ret.)



The Hon. Christopher C. Cross (Ret.) served as a county and district court judge for 18 years in the most populous judicial district

in the state of Colorado. He presided over domestic relations, civil, and criminal dockets. Prior to his appointment, he practiced complex civil litigation, professional disciplinary administrative actions, criminal defense and prosecution, and family law. As noted by the Judicial Retention Commission in its most recent evaluation, Judge Cross "received some of the highest ratings of any judge ... in the State," and "Attorneys [and] litigants all have a high degree of admiration for his courteous and professional demeanor in the court room."

## J. Gregory Whitehair, Esq.



J. Gregory Whitehair, Esq., is a mediator and e-discovery Special Master with IP Resolution Co, LLC, focusing on patent, IP, and trade secret disputes, and is a frequent lecturer and instructor in ADR. Prior to forming IP Resolution Co, Greg served as an assistant U.S. attorney for five years and was a private practitioner with 30+ years of first-chair trial experience with several of Denver's largest firms. Greg is past chair of the CBA's ADR Section and just completed service as