

Mario M. Rosati

RETIRED MEMBER
Palo Alto

HIGHLIGHTS

Longstanding Member of the Firm

Mario was with Wilson Sonsini since 1971, first an associate and, since 1975, as a partner

Additional Roles

Mario was an adjunct professor at the University of California at Berkeley's Haas School of Business, and at the UC Berkeley School of Law (Boalt Hall); has sat as a judge pro-tem in the San Mateo County Superior Court; and participated in the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Task Force to the office of the President Elect, Ronald Reagan.

EXPERIENCE

Mario Rosati was with Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati since 1971, first as an associate and, since 1975, as a partner before retiring in January 2020. Mario specialized in corporate law, especially as it related to technology companies. He served as the managing partner of WS Investments, an investment partnership composed of the partners and associates of the firm. WS Investments has invested in a number of emerging corporations over the years.

From 1994 to 2010, Mario was an adjunct professor at the University of California at Berkeley's Haas School of Business, where he taught new venture finance. In 2012, he taught the same subject at the UC Berkeley School of Law (Boalt Hall).

Mario has sat as a judge pro-tem in the San Mateo County Superior Court. He also participated in the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Task Force to the office of the President Elect, Ronald Reagan.

In addition to the boards of the public companies mentioned below, Mario has served as a director of several privately held companies.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., UC Berkeley School of Law, 1971
 Recipient, American Jurisprudence Award in Corporations
- B.A., History, University of California, Los Angeles, 1968

Associations and Memberships

- Guest Lecturer, "New Venture Finance," UC Berkeley School of Law (Boalt Hall), Fall 2012 and 2013
- Adjunct Professor, "New Venture Finance," University of California at Berkeley, Haas School of Business, Spring 1994 to 2010

- Adjunct Professor, "Entrepreneurship," University of California, Berkeley, Haas School of Business, Fall 1995
- Guest Lecturer, "Forming and Financing the Venture," Stanford Graduate School of Business, Winter 2000
- Guest Lecturer, "Legal Considerations in an Emerging Growth Company," Entrepreneurship, University of California, Berkeley, Haas School of Business, Fall 1994
- Director, Aehr Test Systems
- Director, Sanmina-SCI Corporation
- Member, Band of Angels

Honors

- Recognized in Northern California Super Lawyers
- Named in Best Lawyers in America for corporate law, leveraged buyouts, and private equity law
- AV Preeminent Peer Review Rating, Martindale-Hubbell

Admissions

State Bar of California

INSIGHTS

Select Speaking Engagements

- Co-moderator, "Getting to Market in Europe: Key issues in Regulation and Reimbursement,"
 Bohemian Medical Device Summit, Prague, Czech Republic, November 29-December 1, 2005
- Keynote Speaker, "Lessons to Be Learned from the Silicon Valley Experience," China Venture Capital Forum, Shenzhen, China, April 2-3, 2004
- Panel Discussion Moderator, "Corporate Partnering Opportunities & New Vehicles for Strategic Alliances," The Biotechnology Forum, Spring 1993