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#### SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

Dr. Levy is a technical leader in the computer, software and hard disk industry with over thirty years experience; Ph.D. in Computer Science from Stanford University.

Areas of expertise include:

Bus design – system bus - local area network (LAN) – bus bridge Bus standards - ATA – ATAPI – IDE - 1394 FireWire I-Link - SCSI Computer design – CPU – multiprocessor – input/output – I/O controller Memory design – memory controller – cache – Flash memory – RAM, ROM Hard disk – RAID – storage network – SAN – NAS – distributed storage Internet protocol – http – cookies – web server Software - firmware - embedded systems – software development Operating system - file system – file server – file access protocol Simulation - performance - benchmark

Inventor on seven patents and author of a book and several published technical papers. Engaged as an expert in over 50 cases, testified in deposition and at trial; technical advisor to two Federal District Court judges.

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

1999 to Present	John Levy Consulting
and 1982 to 1992	Management Consultant

Managing development of computers, software and storage devices. General business consulting for small firms, both for-profit and nonprofit. Expert witness in intellectual property and contract dispute litigation.

# 1993 to 1998 Quantum Corporation

Director, Systems Engineering

Hired and managed an engineering organization of 27 people; Made Quantum a leader in hard disk interface technology - ATA/33, /66, SCSI-160M; Developed software/hardware tools for firmware & system validation; Led disk drive performance enhancements in caching, system performance modeling and simulation, Windows software drivers; Member of strategic planning team.

# 1979 to 1982Apple Computer, Inc.Engineering Supervisor

Hardware & firmware development of local area network on Lisa team; Design of hardware/firmware interpreter for Pascal p-machine processor.

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1977 to 1979	Tandem Computer, Inc.
	Senior Engineer

Advanced development of next-generation multi-processor systems; Study of rollback-recovery in distributed databases.

# 1972 to 1977Digital Equipment Corp.<br/>Consulting Engineer

Design of computer processor hardware & operating system software; Design of Input/Output subsystems, distributed systems, distributed storage systems; Design of buses for high-speed I/O channels and for minicomputer systems.

#### EDUCATION

Ph.D., Computer Science, Stanford University, 1973

M.S., Electrical Engineering, California Institute of Technology, 1966

B. Engineering Physics, Cornell University, 1965

#### **LITIGATION RELATED EXPERIENCE** – Please see separate summary

#### PUBLICATIONS

Get Out of the Way: How to Manage Development of Timely, Innovative and Relevant Products, Cupertino, CA: Happy About Publishing, May, 2010

If Extreme Programming is Good Management, What Were We Doing Before? *EDN Magazine*, November 13, 2003.

**Twelve Things to Ask Your Software Development Team**, *ComputerWorld Online*, September 22, 2003.

A File Structure for Non-Erasable Media, with Wayne Wang, Ninth IEEE Symposium on Mass Storage Systems, pp. 72-76, 1988. also published as "An Operating System-Independent WORM File System" in Software for Optical Storage, Meckler Corp., 1989, pp. 23-54

Small Image Retrieval System, with Wayne Wang, *Ricoh Technical Report No. 16*, pp. 93-95, 1987.

**Buses, the Backbone of Computer Structures**, in *Computer Engineering* (*Chapter 11*), by Bell et al. (editors), Digital Press, 1978.

**Computing with Multiple Microprocessors**, (Ph.D. Thesis) *Stanford Linear Accelerator Center Report No. 161*, 1973

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#### **U.S. PATENTS**

Patent Number	Year Issued	Title
4,245,303	1981	Memory for Data Processing System with Command and Data Buffering
4,229,791	1980	Distributed Arbitration Circuitry for Data Processing System
4,232,366	1980	Bus for a Data Processing System with Overlapped Sequences
4,045,781	1977	Memory Module with Selectable Byte Addressing for Digital Data Processing System
4,007,448	1977	Drive for Connection to Multiple Controllers in a Digital Data Secondary Storage Facility
3,999,163	1976	Secondary Storage Facility for Data Processing Systems
3,911,400	1975	Drive Condition Detecting Circuit for Secondary Storage Facilities in Data Processing Systems

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & AWARDS**

Association for Computing Machinery

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers: Computer Society – National Lecturer on bus design Technology Management Council

Forensic Expert Witness Association

### **UNIVERSITY-LEVEL TEACHING**

University of San Francisco,	Fromm Institute for Lifelong Learning
2013	The Meaning of Life in the Digital World
2012, 2010, 2008, 2006	The Digital Revolution in the Home

2011, 2009, 2007, 2005 Computers - the Inside Story

#### San Francisco State University

1980-81 Computer Input/Output Architecture