



3 generations of master craftsmen

The Altobelli Jewelers

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COSMO A. ALTOBELLI, C.G.A., G.G.

Curriculum Vita 2007

OCCUPATION:

President, Altobelli Jewelers, Inc.
1974 to Present

Jeweler: Third generation, actively engaged over 43 years as a platinum, gold & silversmith, watch & clock maker, designer, mold-maker, wax carver, engraver, diamond & colored stone setter, caster and polisher.

Appraiser: 58 years of experience- jewelry, gemstones, carvings, minerals, antiques, watches, clocks, jewelry and related articles.

Business, security and inventory analyst.

LECTURES:

37 years of teaching appraisal procedures, techniques, application and interpretation of fair market value, evaluation theory, market research, methodology, report writing, documentation, etc., for:

- American Gem Society, Conclaves and national Guilds
- American Society of Appraisers Conferences
- California Jewelry Association seminars
- American Gem Trade Association seminars
- Gemological Institute of America classes
- International Society of Appraiser Conferences

MEDIA INTERVIEWS:

NBC, CBS, ABC and CNN network television, local television and radio, Los Angeles newspapers, national industry and news magazines.

EDUCATION:

Woodbury University, 1948-49
Gemological Institute of America, resident program, 1949
International Society of Appraisers Courses 101-102-103, 1985
AGS Colorvision Test, 2003

DEGREES:

Graduate Gemologist, Gemological Institute of America, 1968
Certified Gemologist, American Gem Society, 1969
Certified Gemologist Appraiser, American Gem Society, 1983

INDUSTRY POSITIONS:

Chair, American Gem Society Appraisals Committee, 1975-present
Trustee, Chief Financial Officer, American Gem Society, 1991-98
President, American Gem Society, So. Calif. Guild, 1971
Director, American Gem Society, Int'l Board, 1977-2002
Past Founding Director, L.A. County Museum Gem & Mineral Council
Council of Jewelry Appraisal Organizations, Chair 1997-98, 2000-01

INDUSTRY ORGANIZATIONS:

American Gem Society
Jewelers Security Alliance
Gemological Institute of America Alumni Association
Council of Jewelry Appraisal Organizations (Founder)

PUBLICATIONS:

AGS "*Jewelry Appraisal Guidelines*", author, 1981
AGS "*Handbook of Gem and Jewelry Appraising*", author, 1986
AGS "*The Practical Guide to Jewelry Appraising*", author, 2000
AGS "*The Practical Guide to Jewelry Appraising Addendum*", 2002

ARTICLES:

Jewelers' Circular Keystone, Radnor, PA
Modern Jeweler, Shawnee Mission KS
The Goldsmith, N.Y.
National Jeweler, N.Y.
Spectra, American Gem Society, Las Vegas, NV

VIDEO TRAINING:

Gemological Institute of America "*Appraisals and the Professional Jeweler*,"
Playwright and technical adviser, 1981

TRAVEL (*Purchase and research of gems, jewelry and gem materials*):

Hong Kong, Bangkok, Tokyo, Idar-Oberstein, Nairobi, Taipei, Colombo, Jaipur,
Bombay, Calcutta, Kimberley, Rome, Milan, Vicenza, Arezzo, Valenza, Brussels,
Antwerp, Singapore, Teheran, Istanbul, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, London and Sydney.

COMMUNITY POSITIONS:

President, Toluca Lake Chamber of Commerce, 1961
President, Toluca Lake Rotary Club, 1965-66
Chairman, District Conference, Rotary Int'l, 1967
Director, L. A. Streets and Highways Commission, 1968-69

AWARDS:

International Society of Appraisers, Special Award-
Most outstanding contribution in the Appraisal profession, 1986
American Gem Society, Robert M. Shipley Award-
Most Outstanding Contribution in the Appraisal Profession, 1987
American Gem Society & The Jewelers Education Foundation
Cosmo Altobelli Appraisal Foundation Program, 1997
National Jeweler Magazine
Retailer Hall of Fame, 2001
American Gem Society
For the development of the Certified Gemologist Appraiser Program, 2003
American Gem Society, Southern California Guild
Distinguished Service Award for contribution to the Appraisal Profession, 2003

REFERENCES:

Internal Revenue Service:

Rick Nixon, Atlanta, GA
Ed Laubach, Pittsburgh, PA
Nancy Herbert, Cincinnati, OH
John Zeller, Buffalo, NY
Fred Freitag, Los Angeles, CA
Don Wells, St. Louis, MO
Carl Zeswitz, New Orleans, LA

Los Angeles County District Attorneys

Carla Durham Pittman
Ralph Courtney, Dep. Pub. Def., Van Nuys, CA
Jack Stone, Dep. Pub. Def., Sherman Oaks, CA
William Weiss, Dep. Pub. Def., L.A., CA

Orange County District Attorney

Joseph Baxter,

San Bernardino County District Attorney

John J. Sullivan, Dep. Pub. Def.

Ventura County District Attorney

Mitchell Disney, Dep. Dist. Att.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Peter T. Munoz, L.A.

Los Angeles Police Department

Anaheim Police Department

Det. William Lane

Santa Monica City Attorney

Steven Rood, Jeanette Schachtner

Federal Trade Commission:

Robert Freedman

U.S. Post Office

Kacy McClelland, Santa Ana, CA

U.S. Attorneys Office

Scott Park, L.A., Sharon McCaslin, Los Angeles, CA

U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency, S. A. Moses, Los Angeles, CA

Securities & Exchange Commission, Susan Hannan, Los Angeles, CA

Jewelry Industry:

Matt Runci, Executive Director, Jewelers of America, N.Y., NY

Ruth Batson, Executive Director, American Gem Society, Las Vegas, NV

Cecelia Gardner, Esq., Jewelers Vigilance Committee, N.Y. NY

CPA Tax Accounting Firms:

Stephen Locke, Greenville, NC

Scott Webb, Washington, D.C.

Michael Grave, Price-Waterhouse, L.A., CA

Timothy Lilligren, Manhattan Beach, CA

Colette Pieper, Saddington Co., Irvine, CA

Gemological Institute of America

James Shigley, Ph.D., Director of Research, Carlsbad, CA

Shane McClure, G.G., Laboratory Director, Carlsbad, CA

Al Gilbertson, G.G., C.G.A., GIA Laboratory, Carlsbad, CA

Banks:

Bank of America, Robert Rudnicki Michael Tannatt, L.A., CA
Bank of America, Robert Dawson, Mitch Norton, L.A., CA
Bank of Boston, Andy Barberi, Hartford, CT
Bank of Industry, Robert Lavalee, City of Industry, CA
Bank Leumi, Eric Shapiro, L.A., CA
Bank Leumi, Robert Kosof, L.A., CA
Bank Leumi, Dr. John Chato, L.A., CA
P.T. Bank Dageng Nasional Indonesia, Jenny Tseng, L.A., CA
Wells Fargo, Joseph Gibbs, Indian Wells, CA
Citibank, Dennis Franks
Deutsche Bank, New York

Insurance Companies:

Fireman's Fund, William Campbell, Woodland Hills, CA
Fireman's Fund, Michael Modlin, San Francisco, CA
St. Paul, Toni Chappell, Woodland Hills, CA
Royal, Maria Monahan, Carolyn Thomas, Paul Campos, Glendale, CA
Jewelers Mutual, Ron Harder, Neenah, WI
Industrial Indemnity, Joanne Graves, L.A.
USAA, Linda Martin, Tampa, FL
Alexander & Alexander, Harold Herzog, CA
Seabury & Smith, Kathy Koettinen, San Francisco, CA
Republic, Ray Trimble, North Hollywood, CA
USF & G, William Barnes, Fullerton, CA

Museum Curators:

Anthony Kampf, Ph.D., Mineralogy, L.A. County Museum of Natural History
Russell Feather, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.
Carl Francis, Ph.D., Mineralogy, Harvard University, Boston, MA
Jean DeMouthe, California Academy of Sciences, Golden State Park, CA
Richard Souza, Carnegie Natural History, Pittsburgh, PA
Paul Clifford, Cleveland, Natural History, Cleveland, OH

International Renowned Physicists, Mineralogists, Gemologists and Authors:

Kurt Nassau, Ph.D. Bell Laboratories, NJ
John Koivula, A.G.T.A, Dallas, TX
Art Montana, Mineralogy Dept., U.C.L.A., Los Angeles, CA
Joel Arem, F.G.A., Laytonsville, Md
George Rossman, Ph.D., Calif. Inst. of Tech., Pasadena, CA



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FEE SCHEDULE

2007

Appraisal research, consultation and report:	\$ 400 per hour
Court appearance	
Full day	\$3,000 per day
1/2 day (4 hrs.) or part thereof*	\$1,750
Depositions* (\$750 minimum)	\$ 400 per hour

Travel and per diem when required

Hourly rates include travel time

*\$3,000 per day if overnight stay is required

A retainer will be required, the amount of which will be determined when the contract is negotiated with the client.

Very truly yours,

C. A. Altobelli, C.G.A.
President