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## THE LAW OFFICES OF RONALD RICHARDS & ASSOCIATES

**D**uring the past 11 years, veteran defense attorney Ronald Richards has built an enviable track record of successfully representing clients who face potentially life-altering charges. His criminal-law expertise and aggressive but civil approach have earned him the respect of prosecutors, making Richards the go-to attorney for people across the country.

**CONCENTRATION** Richards handles the full gamut of criminal cases, from murder and drug offenses to white-collar and gang-related crimes, in both state and federal courts. He also handles numerous civil litigation matters on a select basis for clients who need a proven winner in the courtroom.

**A LAWYER'S LAWYER** Of all the many cases he has won and of all the grateful clients he has helped, Richards is most proud of the California Lawyer Award as the attorney California lawyers would hire if they were charged with a crime. In fact, Richards has represented many lawyers and professionals facing charges

and disciplinary proceedings. He was the paid legal analyst for NBC and MSNBC during the Michael Jackson trial and has lectured and written numerous articles for legal audiences and the general public. Richards also has numerous precedent-setting opinions in Federal and State Appellate Courts.

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**PRACTICING WITH INTEGRITY** "The favorite compliment I receive is when I hear another lawyer say, 'He's abrasive but he's a good lawyer.' I always practice with ethics and integrity, and I zealously represent my clients. I try my best within the bounds of the law," says Richards. "Resolving cases is sometimes better than winning if it benefits the client."

**ON TOP OF THE LAW** Richards makes it a top priority to stay current on criminal law, tracking all California and federal

appeals courts decisions, as well as other cases, treatises and opinions from across the country. He gathers ideas from this research, believing that lawyers are only as good as the last case they read. When Richards is in court, he has full access to his office via a high-speed Internet connection, enabling him to access digital libraries to assist in arguing a case. He uses Power Point in his arguments, making for a more effective presentation.

**GUARDING INDIVIDUALS' RIGHTS** Richards takes only a select number of cases each year, ensuring that he can dedicate significant time and attention to earning positive results for clients. "My role is to protect the innocent and defend the accused," notes Richards. "I'm not here to judge anybody — that's for the jury."

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