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Richard I. Bloch is a labor arbitrator from Washington, DC. A graduate of Dartmouth College, Mr. Bloch received a Law Degree and a Masters Degree in Business Administration from the University of Michigan.

From 1970 to 1971, Mr. Bloch taught on the faculty of Michigan's Graduate School of Business Administration and from 1971 to 1975 taught Labor Law, Labor Arbitration and Commercial Law at the University of Detroit Law School.

Mr. Bloch has had substantial experience in both public and private sector labor arbitration and mediation. In the public sector, he is on the panel of arbitrators for various federal agencies and their unions. He serves as arbitrator for numerous school systems, municipalities and police and fire departments. From 1978 to 1983 he was the permanent arbitrator for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority and the Amalgamated Transit Union. In 1976, Secretary of State Henry Kissinger appointed Mr. Bloch as a Member of the Foreign Service Grievance Board of USIA, AID and the State Department. He served as Chairman of that Board since appointed by Secretary Vance in 1978 until 1984.

In the private sector, Mr. Bloch has served as Chief Umpire for the United Mine Workers and the Bituminous Coal Operators' Association and as co-umpire for General Motors, the UAW and the IUE, National Broadcasting Company and NABET, United Technologies and the IAM, and Western Airlines and the airline pilots. Mr. Bloch is on the panel of arbitrators for various major airlines in the United States. From 1983 to 1985, he was the permanent arbitrator for Major League Baseball and continues to serve on the three-man panel for grievances in that industry. He is also one of the salary arbitrators for baseball and for the National Hockey League.

He is currently the permanent umpire for ALCOA and the Aluminum Workers Union, General Dynamics Corporation and their unions, ALCOA and the United Steelworkers and other groups.

Mr. Bloch has lectured and conducted training sessions for a wide variety of institutions and groups throughout North America and Canada. He has also served as instructor for training programs run by the United States Air Force in Montgomery, Alabama, Tucson, Arizona, San Francisco and Albuquerque. He has been guest lecturer at training programs run by the Department of State and has lectured, as well, at programs, symposiums and courses at Harvard, Columbia, McGill, University of Michigan, University of Pennsylvania, George Washington University, American University, Georgetown University, Washington University at St. Louis, and other institutions. Since 1985, he has conducted seminars in South Africa, training arbitrators to handle disputes in that country's industrial dispute settlement system.

He is on the National Labor Panels of the American Arbitration Association, the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service and various state agencies. He is a member and has served as Executive Secretary-Treasurer and a Governor of the National Academy of Arbitrators, and is currently a nominee for Vice-President of that organization. He is co-author (with Arnold Zack) of "The Arbitration of Discipline Cases: Concepts and Questions", and "The Labor Agreement in Negotiation and Arbitration," published by the Bureau of National Affairs.