

## MARCIA KEMP STERLING

After graduating from Stanford Law School, Marcia Sterling joined Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich & Rosati in Palo Alto, where she was a partner representing high technology companies and specializing in business law, domestic and international corporate acquisitions and public offerings.

She subsequently served as Senior Vice President and General Counsel of Autodesk, Inc., a publicly-traded software company located in San Rafael, California, where she was on Autodesk's executive staff.

Ms. Sterling has written and taught classes for California's Continuing Education of the Bar and the Practicing Law Institute in the areas of securities law, buying and selling businesses and intellectual property. She served as extern to Justice Mathew Tobriner on the California Supreme Court. She has been an advocate for the software industry on public policy issues such as copyright protection, patent reform and securities law reform.

After graduating magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from Vanderbilt University, she was a reporter for *The Houston Post*, covering high school football and entertainment, and a teacher in the Fremont Union High School District in San Jose, California. She holds a B.A. from Vanderbilt, an M.A. in French literature from Ohio State and a J.D. from Stanford.

Ms. Sterling has served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Business Software Alliance (BSA) and on the Stanford Law School Board of Visitors, as well as on the Board of Trustees and Chairman of the Administrative Board of the First United Methodist Church Palo Alto. She is currently on the NSDA Board of Directors and leads the Silicon Valley SD Support Group for spasmodic dysphonia patients and is co-leader of the Bay Area NF Support Group at Stanford for families of children with neurofibromatosis.

She was born and raised in Texarkana, Arkansas.

Ms. Sterling lives in Palo Alto, California with her husband Nathaniel Sterling, former Executive Director of the California Law Revision Commission, and has two children, five stepchildren, and ten grandchildren.