

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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### **EDUCATION:**

1972-1976	Harvard University, Cambridge, MA A.B. magna cum laude, 1976
1981-1982	Columbia University, New York, NY post-baccalaureate pre-medical course
1983-1987	Harvard Medical School MD, 1987

### **POSTGRADUATE TRAINING**

#### ***FELLOWSHIP APPOINTMENTS:***

1987-1989	Intern and Resident General Surgery Brown University Providence, RI
1989-1994	Resident and Chief Resident General Surgery University of California San Francisco, CA
1991-1992	Research Resident in GI Surgery University of California San Francisco, CA
1994-1995	Fellow in Vascular Surgery University of California Los Angeles, CA

#### ***POST GRADUATE TRAINING:***

Intermediate Endovascular Interventions.  
Arizona Heart Institute, Phoenix, Arizona, April 17-19, 2002.

American College of Surgeons Post-Graduate Courses.  
Vascular Ultrasound  
San Francisco, California, October 2002.

Mini-fellowship in Endovascular Surgery  
Texas Tech Medical College  
November-December, 2005

**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:**

3/2007-Present Vascular Surgeon  
University Vascular Associates

5/2006-2/2007 Vascular Surgeon  
Vascular Surgery Associates  
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2000 – 2004 Assistant Professor of Surgery and Radiology  
Division of Vascular Surgery  
Jefferson Medical College  
Thomas Jefferson University  
Philadelphia, PA 19107

1997-1999 Assistant Professor of Surgery  
University of California, San Francisco

1995-1999 Private practice of General and Vascular Surgery, San Francisco

**LICENSURE:**

California Medical License G68230

**CERTIFICATION:**

1997-Certificate of Added Qualifications in  
General Vascular Surgery, ABS  
Recertified: 2006

1995 – Board Certification in General Surgery,  
American Board of Surgery  
Recertified: 2004

**AWARDS:**

1997-Recognition for Excellence in Teaching  
UCSF Surgery Residents

**MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:**

Fellow, American College of Surgeons  
Southern California Vascular Surgery Society

**BIBLIOGRAPHY:**

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#### **CHAPTERS:**

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Leichter RF, Robert Barnes, R Anthony Carabasi, "Compartment Syndrome"; In: Peripheral Vascular Disorders Management in Primary Care, GJ Merli, HH. Weitz, RA Carabasi, Saunders, 1<sup>st</sup> Edition. 2003

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

Leichter, R.F., "Abdominal Aortic Mycotic Aneurysms" Grand Rounds presented at the Visiting Professor lecture series at the Atlantic City Medical Center, May 24, 2002.

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