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Barry is a partner in the international law firm of Baker & McKenzie in Los Angeles, CA. He has spent 30 years litigating and trying civil commercial and products liability lawsuits. He grew up in Mountain View, CA, moved to San Diego, CA for college, then settled in Los Angeles, CA for his legal career, where he and his wife of 30 years (Dina) raised their two sons (Seth, age 23 and Hunter, age 25).

Barry has played and later coached the "beautiful game" for 50 years. When "soccer came to America" in the 1970s, he started in AYSO then moved to Club (Mountain View Los Altos Soccer Club). Barry played intercollegiate soccer for four years at UCSD and on the U-23 La Jolla Nomads squad. Over the past 30 years in Los Angeles, Barry played in the Super Metropolitan League and Santa Monica 7-a-side with Sunset FC and later in the South Bay Peninsula Soccer League for Allstars and FRAM FC. His sons played Club for 15 years with LA Galaxy, Santa Monica United, and El Segundo Gunners. Barry coached his sons in AYSO for 15 years.

At age 60, he continues to play on a Club team and in tournaments. He follows the top international professional leagues and is looking forward to the World Cup coming to North America in 2026.