

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
JUDICIAL ARBITRATOR BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

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1. Describe your education, including degrees and the dates received.

-BA, Economics, UC Santa Barbara 1972

-JD, McGeorge School of Law 1976

2. How many years have you been in active civil litigation practice as a member of the California State Bar?

28 years

3. What is or was the nature of your practice?

Civil litigation, primarily products liability, insurance coverage and bad faith, general casualty, and business contracts/torts.

4. What percentage of your practice has been representing plaintiffs 5% defendants 95%

5. How many of the following have you completed in the past five years?:

Jury trials *10* **Court trials** *5* **Judicial arbitrations** *60*

6. Describe the subject matter of five disputes for which you have been an ADR provider in the past five years, with the dates.

- Wrongful death in auto accident 2004*
- Contract dispute 2004*
- Premises liability 2003*
- Employment discrimination 2003*
- Breach of franchise agreement 2002*

7. Check your areas of substantive expertise:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Banking | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Care | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Personal Injury |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Business (Commercial - Contract) | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Probate - Wills |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Rights | <input type="checkbox"/> Intellectual Property | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prof. Negl. (Non-Medical) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Real Estate |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Defamation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Labor - Employment | <input type="checkbox"/> Securities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disabilities | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Landlord/Tenant | <input type="checkbox"/> Tax |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elder Issues/Abuse | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Malpractice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environment | <input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood | <i>Products Liability</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership | |

8. Give any other information that should be considered by parties or counsel.

I have a broad range of experience in many areas of law and have participated in well over 250 arbitrations and mediations as an attorney and arbitrator/mediator.