



HON. LAWRENCE W. CRISPO
Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court
(Retired)



Respected as a trial lawyers judge, Judge Crispo's extensive private career and tenure on the bench enables him to easily and effectively work with counsel and their clients to move matters toward resolution. Knowledgeable in many aspects of the law, Judge Crispo is insightful, highly personable and able to achieve consensus in matters brought before him.

EDUCATION

1961 Loyola Law School
1956 Loyola Marymount University
1998 National Judicial College – Mediation and Dispute Resolution
2002 Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, Pepperdine Law School –
Mediation and Advanced Mediation

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

1967-94 Partner & Shareholder, Breidenbach, Swainston, Crispo & Way
1964-67 Sole Practitioner and Of Counsel to Gilbert, Thompson & Kelly
1962-64 Associate, Gilbert, Thompson & Kelly
1961-62 Deputy City Attorney, City of Los Angeles

JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE

1994-95 Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court, Criminal Calendar
1995-04 Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court, Direct Civil Calendar

Types of cases handled include:

Business, Civil Rights, Commercial Contract, Computer Fraud, Construction Defect, Eminent Domain, Employment, Entertainment, Family Law, Governmental Liability, Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith, Intellectual Property, Malpractice, Personal Injury, Product Liability, Real Estate, Securities and Toxic Torts.

JUDICIAL COMMITTEES

Superior Court Executive Committee – Two Terms
Committee on Standard Jury Instructions (BAJI)
State Bar Judicial Council Liaison Committee
ADR Committee
Chair of the Bench and Bar Committee
Grand and Trial Jurors Committee
Jury Reform Committee

Legislative Committee
Special Events Committee
Judicial Council Civil Advisory Committee
Committee on Judicial Education and Research

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Chair & Advisor, State Bar Litigation Section
Member, American Bar Association House of Delegates
Lawyer Delegate, Federal Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference
Member, California Judges Association
Advisor, State Bar Committee on ADR
Vice President, State Bar Board of Governors
Member, State Bar of Foundation Board of Directors
Chair, Coalition for Justice
Member, American Judicature Society
Chair, Los Angeles County Bar Association, Judiciary Committee
President, Wilshire Bar Association Board of Governors
Governor, Association of Business Trial Lawyers
President, Italian-American Lawyers Association of Los Angeles
National Trustee, American Inns of Court
Advocate, American Board of Trial Advocates
Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers
President, Loyola Law School Alumni Board of Governors
Member, American Law Institute
Member, International Society of Barristers
Member, International Academy of Trial Judges

LECTURES & TEACHING

1978-82	Lecturer & Faculty Member, USC Law Center
1990-04	Rutter Group
1994-04	Continuing Education of the Bar, State Bar of California
1999-03	Faculty, Continuing Judicial Studies Program
2000-Present	Member, CJER Civil Law Education Planning Committee
2000-03	Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles
2000-02	Civil Law & Procedure Institute
2000-02	Association of Business Trial Lawyers Annual Seminars
2001	American Academy of Judicial Education
2001	Sonoma County Bar Association
2002	Faculty & Seminar Group Leader, B.E. Witkin Judicial College
2003	Defense Research Institute California Certified Public Accountants Association Mealy Institute Litigation Section – “Champions of the Courtroom”