Hon. James J. McBride

Judge of the Superior Court (Ret.)

Mediator/Arbitrator/Referee

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Hon. James J. McBride has served over two decades on the San Francisco bench as Presiding Judge, civil trial judge and a member of the Appellate division. He is recognized in the legal community as being well prepared, a master of difficult and complex jury trials and is equally well-regarded for his talent in bringing forth settlement in even the most demanding of cases.

Judge McBride draws upon a lifetime of diverse experience and expertise: born and raised in San Francisco during a time of great ethnic, economic and cultural transformation; attending UC Berkeley as students led the change in the nation's perspective of society and politics; and serving the community as a police officer for the San Francisco Police Department.

Now available to serve as a mediator, arbitrator, referee and private judge, Judge McBride continues to serve his beloved community by helping parties resolve their disputes outside of the court system.

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley – J.D.	1979
University of California, Berkeley – B.A. Psychology, *cum laude*	1973

LEGAL AND JUDICIAL BACKGROUND

Judge, San Francisco Superior Court	1999-2015
Presiding Judge, 2009-2010	
Civil Trial Division	
Appellate Division	
Judge, San Francisco Municipal Court	1994-1999
Civil Litigator, Private Practice	1985-1994
Assistant District Attorney, San Francisco District Attorney's Office	1979-1985

PROFESSIONAL HONORS & AFFILIATIONS

Barristers' Choice Award, San Francisco Bar Association	2003
Trial Judge of the Year, San Francisco Trial Lawyers	2001
Charter President, University of San Francisco American Inn of Court	2001-2003

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Business & Commercial Contract
- Class Action
- Employment
- Insurance Coverage
- Mass Torts

- Landlord/Tenant
- Personal Injury
- Product Liability
- Real Estate
- Technology