



## Hon. Michael C. Solner

*Los Angeles Superior Court Judge (Ret.)*

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Thoughtful, prepared, knowledgeable, persuasive, and innovative, Hon. Michael C. Solner was one of the most well-liked and effective settlement judges in the Los Angeles Superior Court.

Judge Solner has had an impressive 42-year career as a litigator and judge. For two decades, he was a civil litigator handling plaintiffs' as well as defense representation. As a Los Angeles Superior Court judge, he presided over general civil trials and most recently was a settlement department judge.

Widely known for his ability to interject humor when appropriate to defuse tension, Judge Solner's warm communication style effectively lends itself to establishing the rapport that expeditiously moves the parties to a successful, lasting resolution. Possessing a deep sense of humanity and keen insight, he draws upon his natural abilities and wide-ranging life experiences to accomplish settlements that satisfy all parties' interests.

Attorneys that have appeared in his courtroom have said that he is "very knowledgeable about the law," "very thorough," "legendary for his patience" and "the epitome of a great judge."

Judge Solner is now available to serve as a mediator and arbitrator.

### AREAS OF EXPERTISE

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- Business & Commercial Contracts
- Legal Malpractice
- Real Estate
- Employment
- Medical Malpractice
- Personal Injury

### LEGAL EXPERIENCE

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- 1997 – 2014 Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court
- Assistant Supervising Judge
  - Civil Trials
  - Settlement Judge
- 1988 – 1997 Sole Practitioner – Litigation Attorney, Law Offices of Michael C. Solner
- 1977 – 1988 Partner – Litigation Attorney, Thelen Marrin Johnson & Bridges
- 1972 – 1977 Assistant United States Attorney
- 1975 – 1977 JAG, United States Air Force (Rank: Major)

### EDUCATION & MILITARY SERVICE

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- 1971 Loyola Law School, Juris Doctor
- 1964 – 1968 United States Air Force, Commissioned Officer and Viet Nam Combat Veteran
- 1964 University of Southern California, Bachelor of Foreign Service

### PERSONAL

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Judge Solner spent his formative years abroad, living in France, Spain, and Switzerland as well as sailing the Mediterranean Sea. As a result, he was trilingual in English, French, and Spanish, easily adapting to different cultures and backgrounds. He is also an avid skier, scuba diver, ultra marathoner and competitive triathlete.