

**BROWN, Gerald**

RETIRED PRESIDING JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, Fourth Appellate District, Division One.

**Appointment:** Appointed by Governor Brown, Sr. March 16, 1965, confirmed by Commission on Judicial Appointments, oath March 18, 1965, confirmed by electorate in 1966 and 1974, and retired from bench June 3, 1985.

**Previous Employment:** Administrative Presiding Justice of Court, 1970-85. Associate Justice, same court, 1963-65, appointed by Governor Brown, Sr. and confirmed by Commission on Judicial Appointments. Served as Associate Justice *pro tempore*, Supreme Court of Calif. several times in the 1980's and 1970's, and in Jan 1968.

Private law practice: Riverside, Riverside County, 1949-63 (with Best, Best & Krieger); and Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, 1943-47 (trial lawyer with Santa Fe Railway Co.) and 1942-43 (with O'Melveny & Myers)

**Admission:** Admitted to Calif. Bar Dec 8, 1942.

**Education:** LL.D. (1973, honorary), Univ. of San Diego, San Diego, Calif., M.A. (1949), Univ. of Oxford, England (Rhodes Scholar), LL.B. (1941), Yale Univ. Law School, New Haven, Connecticut. B.A. (1937), Univ. of Southern Calif., Los Angeles (Phi Beta Kappa). Graduate (1933), Chamberlain High School, Chamberlain, South Dakota (Valedictorian). Served in U.S. Army, World War II, 1943.

**Born:** June 4, 1915 in Chamberlain, South Dakota [son of South Dakota lawyer Matthew A. Brown]. Married Olive Melichar. Three children; Paul, Nancy, and Gregory.

**Memberships:** Member: The Institute of Judicial Administration, 1971-; Free & Accepted Masons, Evergreen Lodge, Riverside, 1951- (Master, 1960); Kiwanis Club. Riverside, 1950- (Lieutenant Governor, 1959; and President, 1958); and Phi Delta Phi law fraternity, 1964-. Former member: Calif. Judicial Council, 1981--85 and 1971- 75.

**Political Affiliation:** Democrat.

**Interests:** Enjoys travel (has made 2 trips to Antarctica) and riding motorcycles.