



Dennis M. Perluss

Presiding Justice, Division Seven

January 10, 2003 to November 15, 2023

Born in Sacramento, California in 1948

EDUCATION

J.D. – Harvard Law School, 1973 (*magna cum laude*)

B.A. – Stanford University, 1970 (*with great distinction*)

State Bar Admission: December 1973

JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE

Presiding Justice, California Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District, Division 7
January 10, 2003 – November 15, 2023, Appointed by Gov. Gray Davis

Associate Justice, California Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District, Division 7
October 22, 2001 – January 10, 2003, Appointed by Gov. Gray Davis

Judge, Superior Court, County of Los Angeles
October 1999 – October 2001, Appointed by Gov. Gray Davis

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Partner, Morrison & Foerster LLP
Los Angeles, CA, 1995-1999

Partner, Hufstedler & Kaus (and predecessor firms)
Los Angeles, CA, 1978 -1995

Deputy General Counsel of the Independent (“Christopher”) Commission
Los Angeles, CA, 1994-1995

Law Clerk to U.S. Supreme Court Justice Potter Stewart, 1974-1975

Law Clerk to U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Shirley Hufstedler, 1973-1974

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

California Judicial Council:
Chair, Civil and Small Claims Advisory Committee
Co-chair, Tribal Court–State Court Forum

Supreme Court Advisory Task Forces, developed new rules of professional conduct for attorneys

UCLA School of Law, Visiting Professor (*Business Associations*)

USC Law Center, Lecturer in Law (*Law and Family*)

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

2019: Distinguished Service Award, Judicial Council of California