

BEACH, Edwin Fernando

RETIRED ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL. Second Appellate District, Division Two

Appointment/Election: Appointed Succeeding Associate Justice Roy L. Herndon. retired) by Governor Reagan July 20, 1973, confirmed by Commission on Judicial Appointments Sept. 11, 1973. oath Sept. 17, 1973. Confirmed by electorate in 1974. Did not seek confirmation by electorate in 1986, and retired from bench Dec. 31, 1986,

Previous Judicial Office: Judge, Superior Court. Ventura County. Dec. 4, 1968 (date of oath) to Sept. 17, 1973, appointed Nov. 27, 1968 by Governor Reagan, [Elected Judge. Municipal Court Ventura County Municipal Court District, Nov. 5, 1968 for term commencing in Jan. 1969, but was appointed to superior court before assuming judicial office.] Judge, Justice Court. Santa Paula-Fillmore-Piru Judicial District, Ventura County, 1958-60, elected.

Past Employment: Private law practice, Santa Paula, Calif" 1951-68 (senior partner, Beach, Stone, Smith & Drescher, Jan. 1964 to Dec. 1968: and sole practitioner. Jan, 1951 to Dec, 1963),

Memberships/Awards: Member: Rotary Club, Santa Paula, 1953- (Director. 1956-61). Former member: Calif. Judges Assn. 1968-87; American Bar Assn. 1956-68; Ventura County Bar Assn. 1951-68 (Trustee, 1960-64; President. 1959); and Santa Paula School District Board of Trustees, Santa Paula. 1965-68, inclusive.

Teaching/Lectures/Panelist: Participant., CEB program, "Step by Step: The Appellate Process." 1983 (moderator). Noteworthy Cases: Significant. decisions include *Bouwia v. Superior Court*. (1986) 179 Cal.App,3d 1127, 225 CalRptr, 297 (ruling that adult patient of sound mind has constitutional right to refuse any medical treatment or service, even when treatment may save or prolong patient's life).

Education.: LL.B. (June 1950)' Univ. of Southern Calif. Law School [now Law Center], Los Angeles, Calif.; A.A. (1947), Pasadena Junior College, Pasadena, Calif. Graduate: George Washington Junior High School. Pasadena, 1940; and Sierra Madre Elementary School, Sierra Madre. Calif., 1936. Born: May 19, 1924: Lima, Peru: Married. Seven children.

Interests: Enjoys oil painting, camping, horseback riding, reading, and classical music.

Admission: Admitted to Calif. Bar Jan. 4, 1951; to U.S. Dist Court, Southern Dist. [now Central and Southern Districts] of Calif.. April 9, 1951; and to U.S. Tax Court Nov. 8, 1967.

Political Affiliation/Religion: Republican (member: Republican Assembly, Ventura County. 1952-66: and Young Republicans of Calif., Ventura County. 1951-58): Methodist