

COTTLE, Christopher Clarke

FORMER JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, Sixth Appellate District

Appointment/Election: Appointed [succeeding Presiding Justice Nat A. Agliano, retired] by Governor Wilson Jan. 6, 1993, confirmed by Commission on Judicial Appointments Feb. 4, 1993, oath same day, and confirmed by electorate Nov. 8, 1994 to 4-year term (uncompleted portion of predecessor's 12-year term) commencing Jan. 3, 1995.

Other Judicial Office: Associate Justice, same court, Sept. 29, 1988 (date of confirmation by Commission on Judicial Appointments and oath) to Feb. 4, 1993. Appointed to newly-created position by Governor Deukmejian Aug. 12, 1988, and confirmed by electorate to 12-year term in 1990. Acting Presiding Justice of Court, March 1, 1992 to Feb. 4, 1993. Judge, Superior Court, Santa Cruz County, Aug. 26, 1977 (date of oath) to Sept. 29, 1988. Appointed [succeeding Judge Charles S. Franich, retired] by Governor Brown Jr. July 7, 1977, elected in 1978 (unopposed), and reelected in 1984 (unopposed). Presiding Judge, 1986 and 1984.

Past Employment: District Attorney (Jan. 8, 1975 to Aug. 26, 1977) and Assistant District Attorney (June 1, 1968 to Jan. 8, 1975), Santa Cruz County. Private law practice, San Jose, Calif., 1967-68 (associate, Berns & Steinberg); Worked as Counselor, San Francisco Probation Dept., and as janitor at Hastings while attending law school.

Memberships/Awards: Member: Calif. Judges Assn., 1977—. Former member: Calif. Judicial Council's Advisory Committee on Voir Dire, 1988-90; and Calif. District Attorneys Assn., 1974-77 (Board of Governors, 1975-77).

Teaching/Lectures/Panelist: Instructor (Evidence), Cabrillo College, Santa Cruz, 1972-76.

Education: J.D. (June 1966), Hastings College of the Law, San Francisco, Calif.; B.S. (June 1962), Stanford Univ., Palo Alto, Calif. (football scholarship; played linebacker and was team captain in his senior year); Graduate: Morningside High School (1958), Monroe Junior High School (1954), and Andrew Bennett Elementary School (1952), all in Inglewood, Calif.

Personal: Born May 18, 1940; Los Angeles, Calif.; Married. Two sons.

Interests: Enjoys playing tennis and racquetball, and skiing.

Admission: Admitted to Calif. Bar Dec. 23, 1966; and to U.S. Court of

Appeals, Ninth Circuit, and U.S. Dist. Court, Northern Dist. of Calif., in Dec. 1966.

Political Affiliation/Religion: Democrat; Episcopalian (Senior Warden, St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church).