

GRIGNON, Margaret Morrow

RETIRED ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, Second Appellate District, Division Five

Appointment/Election: Nominated [succeeding Associate Justice Paul Turner, elevated] by Governor Deukmejian Aug. 6, 1990 for term commencing Jan. 7, 1991, confirmed by the Commission on Judicial Appointments Aug. 28, 1990, oath same day, confirmed by electorate Nov. 6, 1990 to 4-year term, and reconfirmed by electorate Nov. 8, 1994 to 12-year term commencing Jan. 3, 1995. Retired, serving in arbitration with ARC.

Other Judicial Office: Judge, Superior Court, Los Angeles County, Dec. 28, 1987 (date of oath) to Jan. 7, 1991, appointed [succeeding Judge Ernest L. Kelly, retired] by Governor Deukmejian Dec. 10, 1987, and elected in 1988. Judge, Municipal Court, Antelope Municipal Court District, Los Angeles County, Nov. 16, 1984 (date of oath) to Dec. 28, 1987, appointed to newly-created position by Governor Deukmejian Nov. 14, 1984, and elected in 1986. Presiding Judge, 1986.

Past Employment: Private law practice: Palmdale, Calif., June 1983 to Nov. 1984 (sole practitioner); Beverly Hills, Jan. 1983 to Nov. 1984 (Of Counsel, Eckert & Coleman); San Diego, Calif., Sept. 1981 to Dec. 1982 (associate, Gray, Cary, Ames & Frye); and Los Angeles, Calif., and Newport Beach, Oct. 1978 to Sept. 1981 (associate, O'Melveny & Myers). Research Attorney for Associate Justice Robert S. Thompson, Court of Appeal, Second Appellate Dist, Los Angeles, Sept. 1977 to June 1978. Intern: Los Angeles County District Attorney's office, 1977; and for U.S. Magistrate James Penne, Los Angeles, 1976. Law Clerk, U.S. Attorney's office, Los Angeles, 1976. Certified Specialist in Taxation Law, 1984; Editorial assistant, Josephson's Bar Review Center, Inglewood, 1975. Paralegal professional, McCutchen, Black, Verleger & Shea, Los Angeles, 1972.

Memberships/Awards: Member: National Assn. of Women Judges; Calif. Judges Assn., 1984-95; American Bar Assn.; Calif. Women Lawyers Assn., 1978-95; and Women Lawyers Assn. of Los Angeles. Former Director, Antelope Valley Domestic Violence Council, Lancaster, Los Angeles County, 1983-84. Former member: Women Lawyers Assn. of San Diego, 1981-82; Antelope Valley Bar Assn., Lancaster, 1984; Los Angeles County Medical Assn. Auxiliary, Lancaster, 1984; San Diego County Bar Assn., 1981-82 (Tax Section); Orange County Bar Assn., 1980-81 (Tax Section; and Continuing Education of the Bar Committee); Los Angeles County Bar Assn., 1979-81 (Tax Section); Assistance League, Lancaster, 1984; Desert Montessori Academy, Lancaster, 1983-84 (President, 1984); Newport Harbor Chamber of Commerce, 1980-81; and Orange County Music Center, Inc., 1980-81.

Publications: Author: “Incorporation of the Agribusiness Revisited,” *Avocado Grower* (Feb. 1983); “Faster Write Off: New Tax Act Helps Growers,” *Avocado Grower* (Dec. 1981); “Effect of the Economic Recovery Tax Act of 1981 on Small Businesses,” *Gray, Cary, Ames & Frye Quarterly* (Nov. 1981); and “State Expungement Statutes and Their Effects on Federal Criminal Statutes, *United States v. Potts*,” *Loyola LR* (1976). Editor, “Tax and Business Tips Column,” *Avocado Grower*, 1982.

Education: J.D. (1977, summa cum laude; first in class), Loyola Law School, Los Angeles (Dean’s Honor List; staff member, *Loyola L Rev*; recipient of Loyola Law School scholarships; American Jurisprudence Award for Excellent Achievement in Study of Criminal Law, Constitutional Law, and Trust & Wills; Aggler Award; and J. Rex Dibble Award; member, Alpha Sigma Nu, national Jesuit honor society). Attended Univ. of Zurich, Switzerland, 1972-74 (studied International and Swiss Law); B.A. (1972, cum laude, Political Science), Univ. of Calif., Los Angeles (Westwood) (Dean’s List; member, Pi Gamma Mu, national social science honor society). Attended: Univ. of Calif., Riverside, 1969-70; and Riverside City College, Riverside, 1968-69; Graduate: Polytechnic High School (1968), Matthew Gage Junior High School (1965), and St. Catherine’s School (1964), all in Riverside.

Personal: Born Oct. 17, 1950; Plainfield, New Jersey, and reared in Riverside, Calif.; Married. Two children.

Interests: Enjoys snow and water skiing, running, swimming, and reading.

Admission: Admitted to Calif. Bar Dec. 21, 1977; to U.S. Dist. Court, Central Dist. of Calif., in 1979; to U.S. Tax Court in 1980; to U.S. Dist. Court, Southern Dist. of Calif., in 1981; and to U.S. Court of Claims, in 1981.

Political Affiliation: Republican.