

McADAMS, Richard John

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, Sixth District

Appointment/Election: Named Associate Justice, Sixth District Court of Appeal, 2003—.

Other Judicial Office: Elected to Superior Court, June 2, 1998—2003; Municipal Court Judge, Coordinated Superior and Municipal Courts, Santa Cruz Appointed [succeeding Judge Roland K. Hall, elevated] by Governor Brown Jr. April 26, 1977 (oath June 3, 1977), elected in 1982, and reelected in 1988 and 1994. Presiding Judge, 1990, 1987, 1984, and 1980.

Past Employment: Private law practice: Santa Cruz, Calif. (handled family law and personal injury cases), April 1973 to April 1977 (partner: Fox, McAdams & Popin, Feb. 1976 to April 1977; Fox & McAdams, May 1974 to Feb. 1976; and sole practitioner, April 1973 to May 1974 (in addition to practice, provided free services to Head Start [a local day care center], and other nonprofit organizations); Watsonville, Calif., Sept. 1970 to April 1973 (staff attorney/directing attorney, Legal Aid Society of Santa Cruz County; helped establish society's Senior Citizens Legal Services Office in 1971); and San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 1969 to May 1970 (associate, Jarvis, Miller & Stender; clerked in same office prior to admission to State Bar).

Memberships/Awards: Member: Calif. Judges Assn., 1977— (Executive Board, 1989-92; Civil Law & Procedure Committee, 2000-03; Judicial Discipline Advisory Panel, 1995-2003; Family Law Committee, 1995-97; Discipline & Disability Committee, 1992-95; Courts & Technology Committee, 1988-89; Judicial Elections Committee, 1987-88; and Courts Administration Committee, 1986-87); Calif. Judicial Council (member, Appellate Indigent Defense Oversight Advisory Committee, 2004—; Courts of Appeal 100th Anniversary Steering Committee, 2004—; Civil and Small Claims Standing Advisory Committee, 1993—; Advisory Committee on Trial Court Funding, 1990—; Planning Committee, Management Workshop, 1985); and Calif. Center for Judicial Education and Research (CJER) (member, Civil Law Education Committee and Continuing Judicial Studies Program). Former member: Santa Cruz County Bar Assn., 1970-77; CJER Civil Law and Procedure Institute, Chair, 1988; member, Planning Committee, 1987.

Teaching/Lectures/Panelist: Faculty: CJER's Judicial College, 1991— (Civil Law); Continuing Judicial Studies Program, 1989— (Civil Law and Procedure, Superior and Municipal Courts); Civil Law and Procedure Institute, 1989-91 and 1987. Moderator, Municipal Court Judges Orientation Program, 1990, 89 and 87.

Panelist and Speaker, various AOC/Judicial Council conferences, 1985—. Calif. Judges Assn., panelist, various topics and conferences, 1977—.

Education: J.D. (June 1968), Hastings College of the Law, San Francisco, Calif.; B.A. (June 1965), Univ. of Calif., Berkeley; Attended Univ. of Oregon, Eugene, Ore. 1961-63; Graduate (1961), San Mateo High School, San Mateo, Calif.

Personal: Born Feb. 27, 1944; Albany, Calif.; Married. Two children.

Admission: Admitted to Calif. Bar, to U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, and to U.S. Dist. Court, Northern Dist. of Calif., Jan. 9, 1969.

Political Affiliation/Religion: Democrat; Catholic.

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