

**STONE, Steven J.**

RETIRED JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, Second Appellate District, Division Six

**Appointment/Election:** Appointed to newly-created position by Governor Brown Jr. Dec. 3, 1982, confirmed by Commission on Judicial Appointments Dec. 27, 1982, oath same day, confirmed by electorate Nov. 4, 1986, and reconfirmed by electorate Nov. 8, 1994 to 12-year term commencing Jan. 3, 1995.

**Other Judicial Office:** Judge, Superior Court, Ventura County, Sept. 3, 1976 (date of oath) to Dec. 27, 1982, appointed Aug. 10, 1976 by Governor Brown Jr., and elected in 1978. Presiding Judge: Juvenile Court, 1979-80; and Law & Motion Dept., 1977-79.

**Past Employment:** Private law practice, Santa Paula, Calif., 1962-76 (partner, Beach, Stone & Smith, which became Beach, Stone, Smith & Drescher, and then Stone, Smith & Drescher, which by merger with Romney and Gallagher in 1970 became Romney, Stone, Smith & Drescher).

**Memberships/Awards:** Member: Calif. Judges Assn., 1976—; Ventura County Bar Assn., 1962— (honorary member); American Heart Assn., Ventura chapter, 1963— (Chair, Board of Directors, 1974 and 1969); American Heart Assn., Calif. Affiliate, San Francisco, 1973— (Chair, Board of Directors, 1981-83; Vice President, 1977 and 1976); and Board of Directors, Interface Community, 1978— (President, 1986 and 1985). Former member: Criminal Justice Planning Board, 1978-82 (Chair, 1981); Channel Counties Legal Services Assn., 1977-80; Youth Employment Service, Santa Paula, 1974-77 (Director, 1974-76); Calif. State Bar's Special Committee on Civil Discovery, 1976-77; and Ventura County Symphony Assn., Ventura, 1965-71 (Director and President, 1969). Named Judge of the Year by Ventura Country Trial Lawyers Assn., 1982 and 1980. Recipient, Distinguished Jurist Award (1979), from Footprinters Assn. of Ventura County.

**Teaching/Lectures/Panelist:** Participant, CEB programs, including: Recent Developments in Civil Procedure and Evidence, 1980.

**Publications:** Author: “The California Coastal Act—A Method of Coastal Protection OR Does the Coastal Commission Still Live After „Nolan’?” LADJ Report No. 88-2, p. 2 (Feb. 5, 1988).

**Education:** J.D. (June 1961), Hastings College of the Law, San Francisco, Calif. (Associate Editor, Hastings LJ); B.A. (June 1958, Medical Sciences), Univ. of Calif., Berkeley; Attended Stockton High School (graduated in 1954) and Victory Elementary School, both in Stockton, Calif.

**Personal:** Born Feb. 26, 1937; Vienna, Austria [identical twin brother of Santa Clara County Superior Court Judge Peter Gus Stone]. Two children.

**Interests:** Enjoys playing golf, photography, music, scuba diving, and bicycling.

**Admission:** Admitted to Calif. Bar and to U.S. Dist. Court, Northern Dist. of Calif., Jan. 9, 1962.

**Political Affiliation:** Democrat.