



Joan Dempsey Klein
Presiding Justice, Division Three
April 28, 1978 to December 30, 2014

Born August 18, 1924 in San Jose, California
Deceased December 24, 2020

EDUCATION

LL. B., UCLA School of Law, 1955
B.A., San Diego State College, 1947

State Bar Admission: 1955

JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE

Presiding Justice, California Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District, Division 3
April 28, 1978 – December 30, 2014, Appointed by Gov. Brown, Jr.

Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court
1975 – 1978, Appointed by election

Judge, Los Angeles Municipal Court
1963 – 1975, Appointed by Gov. Brown, Jr.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Deputy Attorney General, California State Department of Justice
Los Angeles, CA, 1955-1963

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Founding President, California Women Lawyers

Founding President, National Association of Women Judges

CEB Program Lecturer,
Conference of California Judges

Vice-Chair on Committee on Economy & Efficiency,
Conference on California Judges