



Honorable Lawrence Crispo (Ret.)
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Highly respected by trial lawyers, Judge Crispo's tenure on the bench and his extensive private career enable him to easily and effectively work with counsel and their clients to move matters toward resolution. Knowledgeable in many aspects of the law, Judge Crispo is insightful, extremely personable and has been able to achieve consensus in almost all matters brought before him.

EDUCATION:

- (1961) Loyola Law School, J.D.
- (1956) Loyola Marymount University, B.S.

JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE:

- (2004-Present) Private Judge – Dispute Resolution
- (1994-2004) Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court – Extensive Complex Civil Calendar

LEGAL CAREER:

- (1967-1994) Partner & Shareholder - Breidenbach, Swainston, Crispo & Way
- (1964-1967) Sole Practitioner and Of Counsel to Gilbert, Thompson & Kelly
- (1962-1964) Associate - Gilbert, Thompson & Kelly
- (1961-1962) Deputy City Attorney - City of Los Angeles

ADR EXPERIENCE:

(2004-Present) Arbitrations, Mediations, Discovery References, Early Neutral Evaluations, and Summary Trials.

ADR TRAINING:

- (2002) Pepperdine Law School, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution -Mediation and Advanced Mediation
- (1998) National Judicial College, Mediation and Dispute Resolution

AREAS OF EXPERTISE:

Business, Civil Rights, Commercial Contract, Computer Fraud, Construction Defect, Elder Law,

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Eminent Domain, Employment, Entertainment, Family Law, Governmental Liability, Health Care Law, Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith, Intellectual Property, Medical, Legal & Accountancy Malpractice, Medical Devices, Personal Injury, Pharmaceuticals, Probate, Product Liability, Real Estate, Securities and Toxic Torts.

JUDICIAL COMMITTEES:

- Superior Court Executive Committee – Two Terms
- Committee on Standard Jury Instructions (BAJI)
- State Bar Judicial Council Liaison Committee
- Superior Court ADR Committee
- Chair of the Bench and Bar Committee
- Grand and Trial Jurors Committee
- Jury Reform Committee
- Legislative Committee
- Special Events Committee
- Judicial Council Civil Advisory Committee
- Committee on Judicial Education and Research

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS:

- Advocate, American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA)
- Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers
- Member, International Society of Barristers
- Member, American Law Institute
- Vice President, State Bar Board of Governors
- Chair & Advisor, State Bar Litigation Section
- Lawyer Delegate, Federal Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference
- Member, American Bar Association House of Delegates
- Member, California Judges Association
- Advisor, State Bar Committee on ADR
- Member, State Bar of Foundation Board of Directors
- Chair, Coalition for Justice
- Member, American Judicature Society
- Chair, Los Angeles County Bar Association, Judiciary Committee
- President, Wilshire Bar Association Board of Governors
- Governor, Association of Business Trial Lawyers
- President, Italian-American Lawyers Association of Los Angeles (IALA)
- National Trustee, American Inns of Court
- President, Loyola Law School Alumni Board of Governors
- Member, International Academy of Trial Judges
- American Inns of Court, National Director and
- Charter President of The Mount Baldy Inn

LECTURES AND SEMINARS PRESENTED:

- (1978-1982) Lecturer & Faculty Member, USC Law Center, California Institute of Trial Advocacy

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- (1990-2004) The Rutter Group
- (1992-2005) Litigation Section, "Champions of the Courtroom"
- (1994-2005) Continuing Education of the Bar, State Bar of California
- (1999-2003) Faculty, Continuing Judicial Studies Program
- (1999) Food and Drug Law Institute, Georgetown Law Center
- (2000-2004) Member, CJER Civil Law Education Planning Committee
- (2000-2003) Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles, Las Vegas Annual Seminars
- (2000-2003) Civil Law & Procedure Institute
- (2000-2003) Association of Business Trial Lawyers, Annual Seminars
- (2001) American Academy of Judicial Education
- (2001) Sonoma County Bar Association
- (2002) Faculty & Seminar Group Leader, B.E. Witkin Judicial College
- (2002) Lexis Nexis, Mealey's California Section 17200 Conference
- (2003-2005) California CPA Education Foundation, Advanced Business Litigation Institute B&P17200 Unfair Business Practices, La Quinta & Los Angeles
- (2003) Defense Research Institute, Product Liability Conference – Las Vegas
- (2004-2007) State Bar Section Education Institute, Santa Monica, Berkeley & San Diego
- (2006) ALI ABA American Law Institute – The Art and Science of Serving As a Special Master in Federal and State Courts – San Francisco
- (2006-2007) California State Bar – What Every Litigator Would Like Transactional Lawyers to Know - Monterey
- (2007) CEB Motions During Trial
- (2008) American Bar Association – International Law Section – International Arbitrations in China
- (2008) California State Bar – Litigation Section – Coaching For the New Practitioner: What they Didn't Teach You in Law School
- (2008) CEB The Examination of Witnesses Before Trial – A Primer on Depositions For New and Experienced Attorneys
- (2008) CEB Cross Examinations: Techniques and Evidentiary Issues for the Experienced Litigator
- (2008) The Rutter Group – Successful Motions During Trial - Do's & Don'ts

AVAILABLE:

Throughout Southern California