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## **HON. RONALD PRAGER (RET.)**

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## **BIOGRAPHY**

After serving 29 years as a judge for the Superior Court of San Diego and five years at Judicate West, Hon. Ronald Prager (Ret.) has joined Signature Resolution in San Diego. In his impressive tenure he sat as the Assigned Judge, Court of Appeal, Judge in the Superior Court of San Diego, and Judge in the El Cajon Municipal Court.

Widely known as one of the finest judges in California, Judge Prager still prides himself on building genuine connections. As he showed in his five years as a mediator at Judicate West, he is nuanced and pragmatic when handling complex matters, deciphering the key issues to settle high stakes cases. Judge Prager is especially successful at finding a middle ground, relying on his abilities to read the room and fairly assess the key points of both the plaintiff and defendant.

Prior to working in alternative dispute resolution, Judge Prager served as the assigned judge on the Court of Appeal in San Diego and authored seven published opinions in civil cases. He is known for handling complex cases such as the statewide coordinated tobacco class actions and the natural gas antitrust while also managing the calendars of more than 1,000 cases, including all law motion matters and case management conferences.

Judge Prager was 2016's Consumer Attorneys of San Diego, Judge of the Year. He is the co-author of Matthew Bender Practice Guide: California Trial and Post Trial Civil Procedure, Consultant to *CEB* publication: California Summary Judgement, 2013, 2014, 2105. And he has been the Presenter on trial procedure and practice at numerous seminars for lawyers sponsored by the American Bar Association, Association of Business Trial Lawyers, and various Inns of Court.

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## **EXPERIENCE**

- **Assigned Judge**, Court of Appeal (2015-2016)?
- **Judge**, Superior Court of San Diego (1989-2015)?
- **Judge**, El Cajon Municipal Court (1988-89)?
- **California Deputy Attorney General**, including last two years as *Chief Attorney*, Attorney General's Bureau of Medi-Cal Fraud and Patient Abuse (1981-1988)?
- **Enforcement Attorney**, State of California Fair Political Practices Commission (1980-1981)?
- **Legal Counsel**, California Fair Political Practices Commission (1979-1980)?
- **San Diego Deputy District Attorney** (1970-1979)
- Assigned Judge, Court of Appeal (2015–2016)
- **Judge**, Superior Court of San Diego (1989–2015)
- **Judge**, El Cajon Municipal Court (1988–89)
- **California Deputy Attorney General**, including last two years as Chief Attorney, Attorney General's Bureau of Medi-Cal Fraud and Patient Abuse (1981–1988)
- **Enforcement Attorney**, State of California Fair Political Practices Commission (1980–1981)
- **Legal Counsel**, California Fair Political Practices Commission (1979–1980)
- San Diego Deputy District Attorney (1970–1979)

## **EDUCATION**

- *J.D.*, University of Southern California School of Law (1969)
- *B.A.*, Pomona College, Claremont, California
- Association of Business Trial Lawyers, executive committee, three multi-year terms.
- Advisor Judge to State Bar of California Litigation section, 2004–2014
- Master and member of the executive committee, Wallace Inn of Court, 2005–present

## **AWARDS, HONORS, MEMBERSHIPS**

- Judge of the Year, *Consumer Attorneys of San Diego* (2016)
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## **PRESS**

- [PRESS RELEASE: "The Hon. Ronald Prager \(Ret.\) Joins Signature Resolution" \(Nov. 1, 2021\)](#)
- [DAILY JOURNAL: "Signature Resolution Adds Four Neutrals in San Diego" \(Nov. 3, 2021\).](#)

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