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Straus Institute's 1st senior fellow in dispute resolution is former justice

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The Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution at Pepperdine Caruso School of Law has selected Signature Resolution neutral Tricia A. Bigelow as its first senior fellow in dispute resolution, the institute announced Tuesday.

"I am just very grateful to the Straus Institute to be able to continue to exercise the educational and teaching skills that I garnered on the bench,"

Bigelow, a retired justice of the 2nd District Court of Appeal, said in a phone interview. "They say that if you want to master something, you teach it, so that's what I am hoping to continue to do."

"The Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution is the world's leading institution for dispute resolution, so I am really humbled that they've made the decision to choose me for the position," she added. Bigelow will mentor and teach students about the mediation and arbitration process.

Bigelow retired from the state Court of Appeal in June after 13 years on the appellate bench. She is a mediator, arbitrator and appellate consultant.

Bigelow is an alumna of Pepperdine Caruso School of Law and a member of its Board of Advisors. Before her appellate appointment she was a judge of the Los Angeles County Superior Court and the Los Angeles Municipal Court and a California deputy attorney general.

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