

Darrell A. Forgey, Esq.



After over 30 years of trial practice and 25 years of court-ordered and private dispute resolution, veteran trial lawyer Darrell Forgey is now concentrating on a full-time dispute resolution practice. He has mediated or arbitrated over 2,500 cases since 1980 and is available for mediations, arbitrations, settlement conferences, and discovery references. Mr. Forgey has extensive experience in cases involving catastrophic personal injury and wrongful death, products and professional liability, employment, business, and commercial litigation, governmental entities, construction defect, aviation, real estate, toxic tort, and general liability actions. One very prominent plaintiff attorney has commented, "There are only a handful of mediators that I would entrust with the fate of my clients and Mr. Forgey is at the top of the list." A well-known defense lawyer stated "Mr. Forgey has a great temperament and works the cases before him toward a fair resolution. Most importantly, cases mediated using Mr. Forgey as a mediator settle."

LEGAL CAREER & PRIOR EXPERIENCE

- Full -time Neutral, Judicate West (2006 Present)
- Of Counsel, Hurrell & Cantrall, LLP (2006)
- Partner, Forgey & Hurrell, LLP, Specializing in all types of Civil Litigation (2002-2006)
- Partner, Hillsinger & Costanzo; Hillsinger, Forgey, Hurrell & Star (1973-2002)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- J. D., Loyola Law School, Los Angeles (1973)
- B.A., Political Science, Cal State Northridge, (1965-69); Member, Blue Key National Honor Society (1969)
- CAL-ABOTA President, Member, National Board of Directors (2005)
- Mediation training, Pepperdine University, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution (2003, 2005, 2008, 2011, 2014 & 2017)
- California Defense Counsel, President (2001)
- American College of Trial Lawyers, Fellow (Elected 2001)
- Los Angeles Chapter, Diplomat of the American Board of Trial Advocates, President (2000); Recipient, 2004 ABOTA Civility Award
- Stanford Law School, National Institute for Trial Advocacy Instructor's Certificate (1996)
- Association of Southern California Defense Counsel, President (1995)
- Association of Business Trial Lawyers, Member (1995-Present)
- ABA Section of Dispute Resolution, Member; Attended ABA Advanced Mediation Training (1995)
- Harvard Law School, Program of Instruction for Lawyers (1994)
- ABOTA Trial School & ABOTA Masters in Trial Programs, Instructor/ Participant (1980-Present)
- American Bar Association, California State Bar Association & LACBA, Member (1973-Present)
- Numerous ADR courses completed at Pepperdine University, including the Masters Forum
- Los Angeles County Superior Court ADR Panel & Past member, AAA Arbitration Panel

PRACTICE AREAS

Aviation; Business/Commercial Litigation; Catastrophic Personal Injury/Wrongful Death; Construction Defect; Employment; Governmental Entities; Products/Professional Liability; Real Estate; Toxic Tort/General Liability Actions

ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS

- Mr. Forgey was named by Los Angeles Magazine as one of California's "Super Lawyers", 2014 & 2013, in the field of Alternative Dispute Resolution.
- Throughout the years, Mr. Forgey has written several articles for a variety of legal publications.
- Presented numerous MCLE seminars and participated on panels for various plaintiff, defense and insurance groups.
- Recognized as a Southern CA "Super Lawyer" by Los Angeles magazine in 2006-2018.
- Selected by the Daily Journal as an "Up and Comer" in the Top Neutral issue in 2009.
- In 2010 and 2011 he was selected as one of California's "Top Neutrals".

HOBBIES & INTERESTS LOCATIONS

Mr. Forgey's interests include golf, reading, history and travel. He is a Civil War enthusiast and a fellow of the Huntington Library in San Marino, California.

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