

## Jeffery Owensby, Esq.



As a Sacramento-based trial attorney specializing in employment law for 37 years, Jeff has earned a reputation among his peers for being a sharp, fair, and respectful adversary and colleague in the legal community. As a result, he has been retained by employment and labor lawyers to serve as mediator and arbitrator in their cases. In private practice, Jeff litigated, tried, or mediated hundreds of employment cases in the State and Federal courts as well as before administrative agencies in cases involving discrimination, harassment, privacy, wage and hour, as well as management/union relations, including grievance proceedings, negotiating collective bargaining agreements and advising on rights and obligations under federal labor law. He has taught numerous classes to human resource professionals, employers, and lawyers on various employment and workplace issues. He currently mediates for the Settlement department 59 in the Sacramento Superior Court and the voluntary dispute resolution program in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California. His passion for serving as a neutral is evident, as many describe him as having a communicative, evaluative, and caring approach that gets results.

LEGAL CAREER & PRIOR EXPERIENCE

- Neutral, Judicate West (2019-Present)
- Partner, Kennaday Leavitt Owensby, PC (2016 2019)
- Neutral, Voluntary Dispute Resolution Program, U.S. District Court Eastern District of California, (2014-Present)
- MSC Judge Pro Tem, Department 59, Superior Court of Sacramento (2004 Present)
- Partner, Rediger McHugh & Owensby LLP (2007-2016)
- Partner, Riegels Campos & Kenyon LLP (1999-2007)
- Attorney and Partner, Diepenbrock, Wulff, Plant & Hannegan (1982-1998)

EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- J.D., University of California Davis (1982)
- B.A., University of San Francisco (1979)
- Strauss Institute, Pepperdine Mediation Program (2018)
- Sacramento County Bar Association, Labor & Employment Section (1982-Present)
- Sacramento County Bar Association, ADR Section (1982-Present)

**PRACTICE AREAS** 

All Types of Employment Disputes including PAGA, Class Action, Labor Law

ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS

Alternative Dispute Resolution, Northern California Super Lawyers (2020)

HOBBIES & INTERESTS LOCATIONS

In his spare time, Jeff enjoys playing outdoor sports, hiking, cycling, and adventure travels.

Northern California