



**Hon. Thomas James Borris, Judge**

Superior Court of California, County of Orange

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**Judicial Office:** Appointed to West Orange County Municipal Court by Governor Pete Wilson on May 25, 1993. Municipal Court judgeship was converted to a Superior Court judgeship upon a majority vote of judges in the county to convert Municipal Court judgeships to Superior Court judgeships, pursuant to Proposition 220, effective August 10, 1998.

Appointed in October of 1998, by Chief Justice Ronald George, to the Judicial Council Trial Court Coordination Committee for a three year term. Appointed in October of 1996, by Chief Justice Ronald George, to the Judicial Council Criminal Law Advisory Committee for a three year term.

Elected by judges in November of 1996, as Presiding Judge of the Municipal Court, County of Orange, West Judicial District. Re-elected in November of 1997, as Presiding Judge of the Municipal Court, County of Orange, West Judicial District. Elected by judges in December of 1997, as Chairperson of the Orange County Trial Court Coordination Committee. Appointed in August of 1998, as Supervising Judge of the West Justice Center, by the Presiding Judge of the Orange County Superior Court and served in that position for 7 years. Appointed in January of 2008, as Supervising Judge of Felony Criminal Operations, by the Presiding Judge of the Orange County Superior Court. Elected as Assistant Presiding Judge in June, 2008 by the Judges of the Orange County Superior Court. Elected as Presiding Judge in June, 2010 by the Judges of the Orange County Superior Court.

**Awards/Memberships:** Recipient of "W. Patrick McCray Award" (2000) from the West Orange County Bar Association. Named "Mock Trial Judge of the Year" (1996 and 2006) by the Constitutional Rights Foundation of Orange County. Received "Judge of the Year" (1995) award from the Orange County Narcotic Officers' Association.

Recipient of the "William P. Hogoboom Award" (1979) at graduation ceremonies of Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, for excellence in the school clinical juvenile justice program.

Private practice of law (1990-93), as a partner in Muñoz, Borris & Associates, Anaheim, CA. Deputy District Attorney, County of Orange, CA (1980-90). Supervising Clinical Instructor, Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, CA (1979-80). Admitted to California Bar on November 29, 1979.

**Education:** Juris Doctor degree in 1979 (Dean's List), from Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, CA. Bachelor of Arts degree (cum laude, Political Science) in 1976, from Claremont Men's College (now Claremont-McKenna College), Claremont, CA. Graduate ("Highest Honors") in 1972, from Buena Park High School, Buena Park, CA. [Varsity letterman, two years in football.]