



## Hon. David Charles Velasquez

Superior Court of California, County of Orange

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Since May 2004, Judge David Velasquez has been assigned to the Orange County Superior Court Complex Civil Panel, where he served as the Supervising Judge from January 2005 to January 2009.

He was first appointed to the bench in 1988 by then Governor George Deukmejian to sit on the former Municipal Court, South Orange County Judicial District. He was appointed to the Superior Court in 1990.

Judge Velasquez has also served on the Superior Court's Civil Panel from 1990 through 1993 and again from 2000 to May, 2004; on the Juvenile Court in 1993 through 1997; on the Felony Panel/Drug Court in 1998 through 1999; and on the Appellate Department of the Superior Court from 1998 through 2000.

He has served on the Court's Rules and Forms Committee (1993 to present); the Grand Jury Selection Committee (1994 to 1996); the Employee Appreciation Committee (1995 to 2007); as an alternate member (1992 to 1993) and member (1991 to 1992) of the Court's Executive Committee (elected), and as the chair of the Trial Court Coordination Planning Committee, Rules and Forms Subcommittee (1996 to 1997).

Judge Velasquez is also a Special Master for the Committee on Judicial Performance, the agency responsible for enforcing judicial ethics.

He was voted the 2003 ABOTA Judge of the Year (Orange County chapter).

Judge Velasquez was admitted to the California Bar November 29, 1978, after obtaining his Juris Doctorate degree in 1978 from Loyola Law School, Los Angeles. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from California State University, Los Angeles (1973).

He most recently collaborated on an article for the *Orange County Lawyer Magazine* entitled "The Watchdog Role of the Court-Determination of fairness of proposed class action settlements." (September 2007.)