Hon. David R. Chaffee, Judge

Superior Court of California, County of Orange

Appointment: Newly created position January 8, 1997, by Governor Wilson. Judge, Municipal Court, Orange County Harbor Judicial District, appointed January 4, 1994 by Governor Wilson.

Past Employment: Deputy and Senior Deputy County Counsel, Orange County, 1978-1994, specialties: probate, tax litigation, and environmental and land use litigation. Deputy Attorney General, California State Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Los Angeles, 1974-1978. Admitted to California Bar, U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, U.S. District Court, Central, Northern and Southern Districts of California.

Education: J.D. (1973) Loyola University School of Law, Los Angeles, CA. Law Review Associate Editor, St. Thomas More Society. (1970) University of Arizona School of Law, Tucson, Arizona. B.A. (History) (1969) California State University, Long Beach. Blue Key, Phi Alpha Theta (National History Honor Society), varsity crew.

Personal: Married - Delaine Chaffee. Enjoys reading, walking, camping, and sailing.

Memberships: 1994 to present, California Judges Association (Executive Board, 1995-1996). Devil Pups Inc., Board of Trustees, 1999 to present. William P. Gray Legion Lex Inn of Court, Board of Directors. Beach Crew Alumni Association, Board of Directors.

Publications: “Litigating Ownership Disputes in Probate,” Orange County Trial Lawyers Association Journal, January/February, 1985, “The Erosion of Citizenship” 5 Loyola Law Review 589 (August 1972).

Assignments: Civil Panel - 1998-2004, Felony Panel - 1997; Mental Health/Probate - 1997-1998; Harbor Court - 2004-2007; Civil Panel - 2007 to present.

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