



## Hon. Nathan Scott

### Judge, Orange County Superior Court

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Nate Scott hears civil cases, bringing an appellate perspective to his courtroom. He presided over the Appellate Division from 2019 to 2022. He served as a staff attorney for the California Court of Appeal from 2005 to 2012.

Judge Scott co-chairs the OCBA Civility Task Force and quotes its Civility Guidelines with every tentative ruling.

Mentoring, community outreach, and service to the legal community are important to Judge Scott.

#### Justice System

- California Judicial Mentoring Program mentor, 2023 to present
- California Latinx Judges Association mentor, 2024 to present
- Civility Task Force co-chair, Orange County Bar Association, 2023 to present
- Appellate Practice Curriculum Committee, Judicial Council, 2021-2023
- CJA/CLA Remote Hearing Task Force, 2021
- *Navigating the Judicial Appointment Process*, Hispanic Bar Association-OC, 2015

#### New Lawyers and Law Students

- Hispanic Bar Association law student mentor, 2023-2024
- Orange County Superior Court extern supervisor, 2015 to present
- ABTL-OC Young Lawyers Division, 2022, 2018
- UCI Law School Moot Court, 2019
- OCBA Bridging the Gap program, 10 times between 2007-2019
- Chapman Law School Admission Ceremony, 2016
- UCI School of Law Appellate Advocacy guest lecturer, 2015, 2011
- Chapman Law School Minority Law Students' Association, 2014
- Whittier Law School Appellate Advocacy guest lecturer, 2013

#### K-12 Students

- All Rise High School Summer Program, 2024
- Judges in the Classroom, Cypress High School, 2023
- Constitution Day/CRF-OC, Cypress High School, 2022
- Judges in the Classroom, Los Amigos High School, 2021
- Saturday Academy of Law, 2020-2023, 2017
- Elizabeth G. Macias Legal Studies Academy, Santa Ana High School, 2019
- California Judges Foundation Essay Competition, 2019-2020
- Law Day, NAACP-Long Beach, 2019
- Cub Scout Pack 78, 2018
- Longfellow Elementary School Career Day, 2017
- Appellate Court Experience, Santa Margarita Catholic High School, 2012

### Community Groups

- Leadership Academy, Orange County Superior Court, 2023
- Second Harvest Food Bank, 2023, 2017, 2012-2015
- KidsFirst, 2016
- Volunteers and the Law, Public Law Center & OneOC, 2009-2012

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**EXPERIENCE** Judge, Orange County Superior Court, 2012 to present

- Civil panel, 2016 to present
- Appellate division, 2018-2022, presiding judge, 2019-2022
- Family Law panel, 2013-2016
- West Court panel, 2012-2013

Senior Attorney, Court of Appeal, Fourth District, Division 3, 2005-2012  
Associate, Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Cox Castle & Nicholson LLP, 1999-2004

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**EDUCATION** Harvard Law School, J.D., 1999  
University of California, Los Angeles, B.A., *summa cum laude*, 1995

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**SPEAKING & WRITING** 50+ presentations and over a dozen published articles, including:

*Winning Cases with Ethics and Civility*, Hispanic Bar Association-OC  
*Civility: How to Be Both Effective and Civil*, ABTL Annual Seminar, 2021  
*Science and Judicial Decision-Making*, OC Lawyer, Sep. 2021  
*Communicating with Clarity and Civility*, ABTL Young Lawyers Division, Dec. 12, 2018  
*Protecting Your Record on Appeal*, OCBA Family Law section, Oct. 2016  
*Appellate Advocacy* guest lecture, UCI Law School, Mar. 2015 & Aug. 2011  
*Appellate Advocacy* guest lecture, Whittier Law School, Oct. 15, 2012  
*California Supreme Court Update*, Hispanic Bar Association OC, May 2012  
*Inside the Appellate Courts*, Cal. State Bar Annual Meeting, Sep. 2011  
*Winning Appeals from Start to Finish*, Pincus CLE, Nov. 2011

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**AFFILIATIONS** Hispanic Bar Association-OC  
California Latinx Judges Association  
Orange County Association of Affinity Judicial Officers  
Association of Business Trial Lawyers-OC

- Judicial Advisory Committee, 2018-2020 & 2024 to present
- Board of Governors, 2020 to 2022

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**AWARDS** Judge of the Year, Association of Business Trial Advocates-OC, 2024  
Judge of the Year, Hispanic Bar Association-OC, 2019  
Judge of the Year, OC Trial Lawyers Association, 2019  
Lifetime Service award, OCBA Appellate Law Section, 2014