


**Honorable Joel Rudof (Ret.)**

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Judge Joel Rudof has been an acclaimed member of the legal community for decades. He has been hearing disputes privately since 1993, after having served as an arbitrator through the courts for six years and as a judge for 12 years. Before he was appointed to the bench, Judge Rudof was in private practice in Los Angeles for 30 years, where he became a specialist in Workers' Compensation Law. In his alternative dispute resolution hearings, he is known to be easy to work with and efficient. As a mediator, he is dedicated, broad minded, and particularly adept at evaluating a claim.

**EDUCATION:**

- (1959) LL.B., University of Southern California Law Center, Los Angeles
- (1943) B.S., University of California, Los Angeles
- Certified Specialist in Workers' Compensation Law

**JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE:**

- (1987-1993) Judge, Superior Court, County of Los Angeles, Santa Monica, Department Z, Conducted Settlement Conferences only
- (1981-1987) Judge, Superior Court, County of Los Angeles, Van Nuys
- (1975-1981) Arbitrator, Superior Court, County of Los Angeles, before appointment to the bench

**LEGAL CAREER:**

(1950-1981) Partner, Private Law Practice, Rudof & Rosenthal and before that Minsky, Garber & Rudof, Specializing in Workers' Compensation, Personal Injury, Construction and Real Estate Law.

**ADR EXPERIENCE:**

(1993-Present) Arbitrator, Mediator, Discovery Referee, Private Judge, Settlement Conference Officer.

**AREAS OF EXPERTISE:**

Personal Injury, Insurance Coverage, Construction Defects, Bad Faith, Professional Malpractice, Workers' Compensation, Uninsured Motorist, Employment and Labor Law, Real Estate, Commercial and Business Disputes, Probate and Trusts, Product Liability, Toxic Tort, Wrongful Death and Complex Civil Litigation.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS:**

- Speaker, Continuing Education of the Bar (CEB program), "Civil Litigation During Trial," 1986
- Member, California Judges Association
- Former Member, American Bar Association; Los Angeles County Bar Association; Los Angeles Trials Lawyers Association
- Member, Scottish Rite (1960-present); Al Malaikai Temple (1956-present)
- Past President, Peace Officers Shrine Club (1990-1991)

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

(1966-1978) Adjunct Professor of Law, La Verne College of Law, Encino, California (taught Responsibility, Equity, and Workers' Compensation Law)

**INTERESTS:**

Enjoys Golf, Opera, Classical Music, Travel, and has great love of Art

**AVAILABLE:**

Throughout Southern California