



## HON. ARMAND ARABIAN

*Associate Justice, California Supreme Court, Retired*

Justice Armand Arabian authored more than 100 majority opinions on the California Supreme Court and has conducted hundreds of complex arbitrations and mediations since he retired from the bench and became a private neutral in 1996. Highly regarded and frequently honored for his lifetime commitment to public service, Justice Arabian's distinguished legal career includes nearly five decades of experience and expertise in a broad range of subject matters.

### PRACTICE AREAS

Complex commercial, insurance coverage, real estate, environmental, bad faith, personal injury, medical malpractice, wrongful death, family, legal malpractice, fee disputes.

### CONFLICT RESOLUTION EXPERIENCE

Justice Arabian has served as a mediator, arbitrator and special master for the past 13 years. Prior to that, he was an Associate Justice of the California Supreme Court (1990-96); Associate Justice of the California Court of Appeal, Second District (1983-90); Los Angeles Superior Court Judge (1973-83), and Los Angeles Municipal Court Judge (1972-73). He was an attorney in private practice and a Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney before being appointed to the bench.

On the state Supreme Court, Justice Arabian was known as a prolific and colorful author of opinions, many of them humorous and filled with literary references. He was appointed by then Gov. Ronald Reagan and became the first supervising judge of the North Valley Courthouse in San Fernando, rising rapidly through the court system. A nationally recognized leader in the reform of rape laws, he created the sexual assault victim counselor privilege now embodied in the California Evidence Code and adopted by 29 other states.

Justice Arabian was an adjunct professor at Pepperdine University School of Law, where he taught appellate advocacy.

### ORGANIZATIONS & ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recipient of countless awards for his dedication and distinguished service from prestigious legal, educational and community organizations, ranging from Boston University School of Law's highest alumni recognition, the Silver Shingle award, to the San Fernando Valley Bar Association's first Lifetime Achievement Award for "justice tempered with mercy."
- Co-founder of the prestigious Justice Armand Arabian Leaders In Public Service Awards given annually by the Encino Chamber of Commerce.
- Author of numerous published articles over the past 30 years in newspapers and legal publications including the *Los Angeles Times*, the *Los Angeles Daily Journal* and the *Pepperdine Law Review*.

### EDUCATION & TRAINING

- L.L.M., 1970, University of Southern California Law Center
- J.D., 1961, Boston University School of Law.
- B.A., 1956, Boston University.

*Justice Arabian is available throughout California.*



Century City  
310.284.8224  
Downtown  
213.623.0211  
Toll Free  
1.800.347.4512  
[www.arc4adr.com](http://www.arc4adr.com)