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# David M. Wright, Esq.

## *Mediator, Arbitrator & Discovery Referee*

Since 1986, David M. Wright has practiced as a trial attorney representing both defendants and plaintiffs in a wide variety of cases involving professional liability, catastrophic injuries, general negligence, and employment claims, including U.S. toxic tort cases, E & O claims and premises liability. His early practice focused on catastrophic medical malpractice and birth injuries, working for two of the most prestigious firms in Southern California. He later served as in-house counsel for a major insurance company litigating similar professional and catastrophic general liability claims and then transitioned to a plaintiff practice concentrating on professional liability, elder abuse, and catastrophic injury litigation. His current litigation practice is predominately defense-based in medical, dental, chiropractic, and professional malpractice.

In 1996, Mr. Wright was appointed as a Superior Court Judge Pro Tem for the Los Angeles Superior Court and as a Special Volunteer Settlement Referee, mediating hundreds of cases on a pro bono basis. He has been steadily building his mediation and arbitration practice over the past two decades, serving as neutral in hundreds of additional cases.

### **Practice Areas**

A wide range of insurance matters, including catastrophic injuries, general negligence and E&O claims; medical, dental, chiropractic and other types of professional liability; elder abuse; employment; premises liability; toxic torts.

### **Organizations & Achievements**

- Member: California Bar Association, American Bar Association, Association of Southern California Defense Counsel and Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles
- Named Top Attorney by the *Pasadena Magazine* in 2010, 2012, 2014 and 2016

### **Education & Training**

- J.D., Southwestern University School of Law, 1986, *Moot Court Honors Program*
- B.A., California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, 1981, *Deans list - 1979-1981*
- Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution Pepperdine-Caruso School of Law, *Mediating the Litigated Case* (2001)

*Mr. Wright is available throughout Los Angeles, Ventura, Santa Barbara, Kern, San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, and San Diego Counties, and the Central Valley Bay area on request.*

