

**CALIFORNIA SOCIETY OF HEALTHCARE ATTORNEYS  
HEARING OFFICER RESUME**

**Justice James Lambden  
Associate Justice (Ret.)  
California Court of Appeal**

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

- Fourteen years as a trial lawyer, Fitzgerald, Abbott & Beardsley, Oakland California. Practiced statewide in disputes involving healthcare, probate, construction, commercial contracts, torts, employment and real estate.
- Practicing and available to serve as a Hearing Officer throughout California.
- Affiliated with ADR Services, Inc., as an administrative hearing officer, mediator, arbitrator, referee, appellate consultant and *pro tempore* judge.
- Licensed to practice by and active member of California State Bar (Number 66513).
- CSHA Annual Seminars and general updates 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017.
- CSHA Hearing Officer Training Program completed June 23, 2017.

**PROFESSIONAL AND JUDICIAL BACKGROUND:**

- Over four decades of experience practicing healthcare law in California as part of general practice as an arbitrator, attorney, judge and associate justice.
- Seven years as a trial judge, Superior Court of Alameda County, including presiding over the Alameda County Superior Court mental health calendar at Highland Hospital.
- Four years presiding over the Master Law and Motion Calendar, handling all pretrial civil motions for the Superior Court, including medical malpractice, insurance, administrative law and general business cases involving physicians, unions, hospitals and other healthcare providers.
- Seventeen years as an Associate Justice in Division Two of the First District Court of Appeal; and the author of 900 appellate opinions, including healthcare decisions such as *Safari v. Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc.* (1<sup>st</sup> Dist., 2012) 2012 WL 5522631.
- Author and frequent lecturer on civil procedure and substantive law topics for the California Judges Association, the California State Bar, CEB (Continuing Education of the Bar, UC Berkeley), and CJER (California Judicial Education and Research)
- Co-Author, "California Civil Practice: Procedure", Westlaw
- Contributor, California Appellate Practice, Matthew Bender

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES/ASSOCIATIONS/AFFILIATIONS:**

- Member, California Society of Healthcare Attorneys
- Board member, California Dispute Resolution Council
- International Centre for Dispute Resolution (AAA)
- Board member, Voluntary Legal Services Corporation of Alameda County
- Chairman, Access and Fairness Committee, 2003-2012 (Principal Standing Committee of the Judicial Council)

**EDUCATION, SERVICE AND BAR ADMISSION:**

- United States Naval Reserve, 1968-1971
- University of California, Berkeley, B.A., Political Science, *magna cum laude*
- Hastings College of the Law, San Francisco, J.D.
- Admitted to California Bar, December 18, 1975

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