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Hon. Kim R. Hubbard

Orange County Superior Court, Retired

Judge Hubbard recently retired after 15 years on the Orange County Superior Court, where she presided over countless court trials in the Family Law and Probate Departments. Several jury trials were presided over in the area of LPS (mental health) conservatorships. In addition to her extensive experience in elder and dependent adult issues prior to taking the bench, Judge Hubbard's experience in the family law department and in probate give her a unique insight into the family dynamics. Judge Hubbard is known for her no-nonsense approach while maintaining empathy for the emotional issues involved.

Practice Areas

Probate, including general and limited conservatorships, guardianships, trust and estate planning, elder and dependent adult abuse and family law with emphasis on custody and move away matters.

Conflict Resolution Experience

Judge Hubbard was the first sole practitioner in elder law elevated to the bench. She was assigned to Family Law Department and presided over countless OSC's and trials as well as handling the elder and dependent adult requests for restraining orders.

In 2013, she moved to the Probate Department, taking the elder and dependent adult requests for restraining orders to that department. Judge Hubbard presided over those calendars, trust and accounting calendars, general conservatorship calendars, limited conservatorship calendars as well as court trials in all the aforementioned areas. Judge Hubbard was in probate until her retirement.

Prior to her appointment to the bench, Judge Hubbard chaired the FAST (Financial Abuse Specialist Team) for the County of Orange. FAST is a multi-disciplinary team composed of attorneys, bankers, real estate brokers, APS (Adult Protective Services), Ombudsman and law enforcement to discuss and report suspected cases of elder or dependent adult abuse. In 2006, Judge Hubbard also started chairing the FAST for the County of Los Angeles. Judge

Hubbard also helped start the Hoarding Task Force for the County of Orange and frequently lectured on elder and dependent adult abuse and hoarding cross the State of California and nationally.

Education & Training

- B.S.L. Irvine University School of Law
- J.D. Irvine University School of Law

Organizations & Achievements

- Recipient: Orange County Bar Association Family Law Section Judge of the Year 2011
- California Women Lawyer's Fay Stender Award 2007
- Judge Hubbard helped establish the first private professional fiduciary educational program at CalState Fullerton and the Orange County Task Force on Hoarding.
- Former Member: Chair of the Orange County Family Violence Committee; Peer Court committee; Temporary Judge committee; Mediation and Arbitration Committee; Juror Greeter committee
- President of the Orange County Bar Association 2004.

Judge Hubbard is available throughout California.