

## **JUDGE PETER C. DEDDEH**

California Superior Court, County of San Diego  
San Diego, California

Judge Peter C. Deddeh was appointed to the San Diego County Superior Court in June, 1998 by Governor Pete Wilson. He was the East County branch Supervising Judge of the El Cajon Superior Court (2007-2011), Presiding Judge of the Appellate Panel (2007), Criminal Presiding Judge for San Diego Superior Court (2001-2005) and for Vista Superior Court (1998-2000). In addition to Judge Deddeh's work in Criminal, he presided over Homeless Court sessions at St. Vincent De Paul Village and the Vietnam Veterans of San Diego Homeless Shelter. Before joining the Superior Court bench, he was Deputy District Attorney (1993-1998) prosecuting felony and misdemeanor crimes committed from National City south to the Mexican border, felony and misdemeanor crimes committed by juveniles in San Diego County, and street gang members for violent felony offenses. From 1987 to 1997, he tried 15 gang murder jury trials, including the killer of Lincoln High School honor student Willie Jones (1997), and the fourteen year old killers of pizza deliveryman Tariq Khamisa (1995) Judge Deddeh served on the California Judges Association Board of Directors (2007-2010). He is a graduate of the University of California, Santa Barbara (BA, History/Political Science, 1978), and University of San Diego School of Law (JD, 1982).