



HON. PATRICIA YIM COWETT
Judge of the Superior Court (Ret.)

JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE

- 1999 – 2008 **Judge of the San Diego Superior Court**
1984 – 1985 **Judge assigned to the Court of Appeal**
 Fourth Appellate District, December 1984 - January 1985
1979 – 1999 **Judge of the Municipal Court, San Diego Judicial District**

EDUCATION

- 1972 **JD, School of Law, University of California, Davis**
1969 **AB in Psychology, University of California, Berkeley**

LEGAL EMPLOYMENT

- 1975 – 1979 **Attorney, San Diego Gas and Electric Company**
 In-house civil litigation (primarily Personal Injury and Real Property)
- 1973 – 1975 **Department of Transportation**
 Associate Deputy Attorney I, II, Legal Division, State of California handling
 litigation in the fields of Eminent Domain and Personal Injury defense
- 1972 – 1973 **San Diego City Attorney's Office**
 Deputy City Attorney, Criminal Division

BAR ASSOCIATIONS

- **California State Bar**
- **California Women Lawyers**
- **Lawyers Club of San Diego**
- **National Association of Pan Asian Bar Associations**
- **Pan-Asian Lawyers of San Diego**
- **San Diego County Bar Association**
- **San Diego County Bar Foundation**

JUDICIAL ASSOCIATIONS

- **California Asian Judges Association**
- **California Judges Association**
- **International Association of Women Judges**
- **National Association of Women Judges**
- **San Diego County Judges Association**

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

- Trial Judge of the Year, Consumer Attorneys of San Diego, 2008
- Honoree, Cablevision, Cox Cable
- Judge of the Year Award, San Diego County Bar Association Law Week 2006
- Judicial Achievement Award, 1997, California Probation Officers Association
- The Ethnic Minority Bar Associations of San Diego County “Phenomenal Woman Award”

OTHER ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

- Alternative Dispute Resolution Course, National Judicial College, Reno, 2006
- Beginning and Advanced Mediation Skills Course, CJER – 2003, 2005
- Brooklyn Law School Science for Judges Programs
- California Center for Judicial Education & Research Lecturer
- California Continuing Education of the Bar Panelist
- California Judicial Administration Committee, Planning Committee Annual Conference 2001, 2002
- California State Team Member to the First National Conference on Domestic Violence, appointed by Chief Justice Malcolm Lucas, California Supreme Court
- Chinese Business and Professional Club
- Chinese Social Service Center
- City of San Diego Mayor’s Advisory Board on Women, Friends Board
- County of San Diego, Criminal Justice Council, 1991
- Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team – County of San Diego
- Equal Rights Advisors, Inc.
- Faculty to the State Conference, “Family Violence and the Courts, A Coordinated Response,” Los Angeles, California
- International Ikebana Society, San Diego Chapter
- Judge, Mock Trial Competition, San Diego City Schools
- Metropolitan Municipal Courts Association
- Mingei Gallery
- Neurobiology and the Courts Conference
- Project Jove
- Rutter Group, Lecturer
- San Diego County Domestic Violence Council
- San Diego County Law Library Board of Trustees
- San Diego County Law Library Justice Foundation Board of Trustees
- San Diego Downtown Breakfast Rotary Club
- San Diego Inn of Court
- San Diego Museum of Art
- San Diego Water Color Society
- University of California Davis School of Law Alumni Association
- University of San Diego Board of Visitors
- Women Law and Development, International