

# JAMES (JJ) JOHNSTON

State Bar No. 125287

## Curriculum Vitae

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### EMPLOYMENT

#### **JOHNSTON MEDIATION**

Los Angeles, Riverside  
August 2017 – Present

#### **JOHNSTON LAW FIRM**

Los Angeles and Riverside, California  
July 2002 – December 2017  
Practice devoted entirely to handling  
employment law cases.

#### **JOHNSTON & SCHWARTZ**

Riverside, California  
November 1989 – July 2002  
Founding Partner. Practice initially consisted  
of criminal defense and personal injury. From  
1996 forward, practice was primarily devoted  
to handling employment law cases.

#### **RIVERSIDE COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE**

Riverside, California  
February 1989 – November 1989  
Deputy Public Defender.

#### **LEA, BALAVAGE & ARRUTI**

Sacramento, California  
July 1987 – February 1989  
Associate attorney in Insurance Defense firm.

#### **BENNETT, SAMUELSEN, REYNOLDS & ALLARD**

Oakland, California  
January 1987 – July 1987  
Associate attorney in Insurance Defense Firm.

## **MEDIATION EXPERIENCE**

### **JOHNSTON MEDIATION**

December 2017 – Present

Full-time mediation practice devoted solely to mediating employment law matters. Offices in downtown Los Angeles, and Riverside.

### **4TH DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL MEDIATION PANEL**

March 2005-2019

Mediated a variety of types of cases for this panel, including employment law and personal injury cases.

### **U.S. DISTRICT COURT – CENTRAL DISTRICT ADR PANEL**

August 2006 – 2019

Mediated employment law and ADR disability access cases for this panel.

### **RIVERSIDE SUPERIOR COURT MEDIATION PANEL/RIVERSIDE COUNTY BAR ASSN. ADR PANEL**

June 2002 – March 2005

Mediated a wide range of cases for these panels, including employment law, personal injury, insurance bad faith, and medical malpractice cases.

## **MEDIATION TRAINING**

### **STRAUS INSTITUTE FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

April -June 2002

42-Hour Mediation Training

### **HARVARD UNIVERSITY**

Program of Instruction for Lawyers –  
Negotiation Workshop

June 13-24, 2005

33.5-Hour Mediation Training

**EDUCATION**

**McGEORGE SCHOOL OF LAW**

University of the Pacific  
Sacramento, California  
Juris Doctor, 1986  
Class Rank: 42/142

**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Santa  
Barbara, B.A. Sociology - 1976**

**BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS**

**CALIFORNIA STATE BAR**

December 1986

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT,  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

December 1986

**UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT**

June 1990.

**UNITED STATE DISTRICT COURT,  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

March 1992

**UNITED STATE DISTRICT COURT,  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF  
CALIFORNIA**

August 2007