

CURRICULUM VITAE
JOSEPH A. GIBBS

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

1978: State Bar of California
Supreme Court of California
United States District Court, Southern District
United States Court of Appeals, Ninth District
1988: Supreme Court of the United States

EMPLOYMENT

1978 to 1981 **Riverside County District Attorney**, Senior Felony Deputy District Attorney
1981 to 1994 **Schlecht Shevlin Shoenberger, a Law Corporation**, Litigation Partner
1994 to Present **Law Offices of Joseph A. Gibbs**, Founding Partner

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS¹

American Bar Association:	Member
Desert Bar Association:	Member, Board of Trustees, Past President Founding Member of Real Estate Section
Riverside County Bar Association:	Member
American Inns of Court Warren Slaughter Richard Roemer Chapter:	Founding Member and Master Instructor
Association of Trial Lawyers of America:	Member
American Arbitration Association:	Commercial Arbitrator and Mediator

HONORS

1980: Deputy District Attorney Prosecutor of the Year.
2014: Desert Bar Association/Inn of Court Warren Richard Roemer Chapter Distinguished Lawyers Award
1995 to Present: Martindale Hubbell; AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated Lawyer
2009: Desert Palm Legal Professionals Association: Boss of the Year Award
2011 to Present: Each year recognized as top Trial Lawyer by Palm Springs Life Magazine
2010 to Present: Certificate of Appreciation for ADR Services: Riverside County Superior Court
2014 to Present: Avvo Rating: 10.0

¹ Denotes past or present memberships/affiliations

Alternative Dispute Resolution Training and Experience

Graduate: Strauss Institute for Dispute Resolution, Pepperdine University; American Arbitration Association Training Seminars; Riverside County ADR Program Participant; and panelist for the Palm Springs Superior Court First Friday Mediation Program. Mr. Gibbs has mediated and arbitrated hundreds of cases throughout California.

Community Affiliations

Eisenhower Medical Center. Board of Trustees 14 years; Chairman of Corporate Integrity and Compliance Committee.

Board of Directors: Boys & Girls Club, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, The Legatus Group and YMCA of the Desert.

Board of Directors: Palm Springs Savings Bank.

Life Member: American Quarter Horse Association.

Member: California Cattlemen's Association, Rancheros Visitadores, Santa Barbara Trail Riders, Inc. and Western Growers Association.

Desert Disciples of Christ [Member, Founder and Board of Director]

Trial Experience

Mr. Gibbs has been practicing law in the Coachella Valley for over forty (40) years, in the areas of civil litigation, real estate, business, corporate formation and dissolutions, banking, agricultural and employment law. Mr. Gibbs is a veteran trial lawyer who has handled thousands of civil and criminal cases in the state/federal courts throughout the State of California. Mr. Gibbs has litigated with and against some of the preeminent trial lawyers in California.

Appointments

2005 to Present: Special Master, State Bar of California.

2010 to Present: Discovery Referee

2013 to Present: Appointed Counsel to Receivers.

2010 to Present: Chairman/Member, DBA Judicial Liaison Committee

Seminars Presented by Mr. Gibbs

Voir Dire: Identify a Theme.

Cross Examination: When to Shut Up.

The Business of Law.

Laying a Foundation for Admissible Evidence.

Hearsay: Not What It Used to Be.

Opening Statement: 6 Minute Rule.

Civility and Professionalism (April 2017).

Published Opinion

Buie v. Palm Springs Motors, Inc., 2001 WL 34570064, at *3 (C.D. Cal. May 14, 2001).

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