



*Biographical Information*

**James P. Spaltro, Esq.**

*Areas of Practice*

Personal Injury ♦ Premises Liability ♦ Auto/Trucking Accidents ♦ Wrongful Death ♦ Products Liability ♦ Business Litigation ♦ Commercial Contracts ♦ Construction Litigation ♦ Entertainment ♦ Health Care ♦ Insurance Coverage ♦ Subrogation ♦ Bad Faith ♦ Legal Malpractice ♦ Medical Malpractice ♦ Partnership Dissolution ♦ Contract Disputes ♦ Complex Litigation ♦ Intentional Torts ♦ Defamation/Slander ♦ Fraud ♦ Assault & Battery ♦ Sexual Assault

*Personal*

Born 1950 in Portland, Maine  
Military: USAF 1969-1973 (Cryptographic Operations)

*Education*

1978 B.A. University of Southern Maine (Magna Cum Laude)  
1981 J.D. University of San Diego School of Law  
1992 Los Angeles County Judge Pro Tem Training (with periodic refresher courses)  
2009 Los Angeles County Court Settlement Officer training courses  
2010 Pepperdine/Straus “Mediating the Litigated Case” (42 hour course)

*Honors & Awards*

1979 Outstanding Achievement in Torts (USD Law School)  
2005 Voted as a “Super Lawyer”  
2011 Outstanding Settlement Officer award (Los Angeles Superior Court)

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2013 Award for being "One of the Top 3 Civil Mediation Panel Mediators in 2012"  
(Riverside Superior Court)

### *Experience*

Extensive litigation experience in a wide variety of civil matters including general personal injury, catastrophic injury/death cases, premises liability, auto/trucking accidents, product liability, construction site accidents, commercial litigation, entertainment-related litigation, contractual disputes, intentional torts (civil assault and battery, defamation, civil sexual assault, fraud, intentional infliction of emotional distress), subrogation and insurance matters. Argued before the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> District Courts of Appeal, as well as the California Supreme Court.

Taught numerous seminars on pre-litigation handling of claims, litigation and discovery issues, specific legal topics, SIU matters, *Cumis* Counsel issues, trial tactics, calculating offsets and other topics.

Judge Pro Tem for Los Angeles County  
(1992-2004)

Settlement Officer for the Los Angeles County Voluntary Settlement Conference Program  
(2009 - 2013)

Mediator on the Los Angeles Civil Mediation Panel  
(2010 - 2013)

Mediator on the Riverside Civil Mediation Panel  
(2010 - 2015)

Spaltro Dispute Resolutions & Consulting  
(2010 - present)

IVAMS Mediator/Arbitrator  
(2011 - present)

Settlement Officer for San Bernardino County, VSC Program  
(2011 - present)

California State Bar ADR Committee (3 year term)  
(2012 - 2015)

California State Bar ADR Committee - Standards & Ethics Subcommittee  
(2013 - 2015)

California State Bar ADR Committee - International & National ADR Subcommittee  
(2013 - 2015)