



HONORABLE ALLEN J. WEBSTER, JR.

Judge Allen J. Webster, Jr. was born in New Orleans, Louisiana. At age two, he moved to South Central Los Angeles attending public and parochial schools. After graduating from Centennial High School in Compton, he attended Compton College and Pepperdine University receiving a B.S. Degree in Business Administration in 1963.

After a brief stint in the military, he commenced working for the Bank of America as a loan officer. After two years, he became a deputy probation officer for the County of Los Angeles. He enrolled in the evening division at Southwestern University School of Law receiving a Juris Doctorate Degree in 1971. In 1972, Judge Webster started practicing law as an associate at English Square Law Center, and in 1973, he became a partner at Hairston, Webster and Johnson.

In June 1995, Judge Webster became a Commissioner for the Compton Judicial District, and in April 2001 was appointed a judge of the Los Angeles Superior Court by Governor Gray Davis. Judge Webster presides over a long cause felony trial court and is a former Assistant Supervising Judge for the South Central Judicial District.

Judge Webster is a past President of the John M. Langston Bar Association from 1982-1985; was President of the California Association of Black Lawyers in 1986 and President of the National Bar Association from 1992-1993. He served on the Executive Committee of the Law Practice Management Section of the California State Bar, as well as a Founding Committee Member of the Los Angeles County Bar's Indigent Criminal Defense Committee and Panel. He also served on the American Bar Association Task Force on Minorities and the Justice System; the State Bar of California's Commission on Judicial Nominees Evaluation, and the Los Angeles County Solo and Small Law Firm Executive Committee. Judge Webster is a past President of Southwestern University School of Law's Alumni Board, where he also was a Member of the Board of Trustees. He served on the American Bar Association's Council on Racial and Ethnic Justice for four years; a faculty member at the B.F. Witkin Judicial College for five years and Founding Member of the National Bar Association's Men's Task Force. Judge Webster is also a founding member of the Association of African American California Judicial Officers, Inc. (AAACJO).

Judge Webster has received numerous honors and awards, including Southwestern 1994 Alumnus of the Year, the National Bar Association 2006 Wiley Branton Award, he was inducted into the Hall of Fame for the Langston Bar Association and National Bar Association in 2010 and 2012 respectively, and Making a Difference through the Profession Award from the American Bar Association's Solo, Small Firms and General Practice Division in 2013. Judge Webster currently a member of the Los Angeles Superior Court's Fairness and Access Committee; is a Member of the American Bar Association Judicial Division's Standing Committee on Minorities in the Judiciary, and the ABA Coalition on Racial and Ethnic Justice Stand your Ground Task Force; member of the Executive Committee of the Los Angeles County Bar Indigent Criminal Defense Panel; Co-Chair of the Convention Committee for the National Bar Association, and board member for the Langston Bar Association. Judge Webster is active in the National Bar Association, American Bar Association, California Association of Black Lawyers, and the John M. Langston Bar Association. He is also a member of Alpha Phi Alpha and Sigma Pi Phi fraternities. He works very closely with the youths of the community, encouraging them to pursue their education, set and achieve their goals and strive to be leaders in a changing global society.