

**Harold V. Rucker**  
**Adjunct Professor Paralegal Program**

## **Paralegal Studies**

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### **Education:**

**J.D. University of San Diego School of Law 1974**

**M.A. Political Science, San Diego State College 1971**

**B.A. Political Science/Public Administration, California State University Long Beach 1969**

**A.A. Political Science, L. A. Harbor College 1967**

### **Work Experience**

1987 to Present California Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board. San Diego Office of Appeals. The past eight years judge Rucker has been the presiding administrative law judge managing an appeals office of approximately 14 to 19 administrative law judges and a support staff of approximately 20 to 25 personnel. For 13 years, Judge Rucker was an administrative law judge hearing approximately 100 unemployment and disability appeals per month. The appeals are quasi judicial in nature and on occasion involve representation by attorneys, representatives or paralegals. Some of the office managers, workers or representatives have been paralegals.

1981 to 1987 Law Office of Williams & Rucker. Partner in a private practice law firm. Specialty included civil and criminal litigation.

1977 to 1981 Deputy District Attorney II. Prosecuted felony and misdemeanor cases from trial through appeal.

1976 to 1977 Law Office of Harold Rucker. General law practice.

1970-1977 Pacific Telephone. First level manager in installation, employment recruitment, training and line assigning.

**Professor Rucker has taught the following courses:**

**Administrative Law for Paralegals**  
**Business Law**

Judge Rucker resides in Jamul, California. He is married to Elvia Rucker, a retired administrator for the San Diego Unified School District. He has three children who are in law school, graduate school or college. Nia, his oldest daughter, is a third year law student at Cal Western School of Law and a former paralegal student at Cuyamaca College.

Judge Rucker was president of the Administrative Law Judges Association (ALJA), 1994-1995. He has also served as a Judge Pro Tem of the Superior Court (1981-1985). He is bilingual in Spanish and English. For recreation, Judge Rucker plays soccer in an adult soccer league and travels to Mexico and Europe.