



## **HON. JOHN M. TRUE III (Ret.)**

**Mediator | Arbitrator | Discovery & Judicial Referee**

### **Representative Cases**

#### **DISCOVERY MATTERS**

- While on the bench, handled dozens of discovery disputes involving issues of privilege, allegations of burdensome and/or oppressive discovery and so forth. In virtually every case that went to trial, some discovery dispute had to be resolved.
- As the Court's ADR Administration Committee Chair, helped to originate a pilot program involving discovery facilitation. Joined the pilot program as a volunteer discovery facilitator after leaving the bench. Have assisted the parties in cases in resolving discovery problems prior to the need for motion practice.
- Mediated a discovery dispute involving the city of Oakland and a service provider which required extensive review of allegedly privileged documents and a decision as to whether the documents should be released to the plaintiff.
- Mediated a discovery dispute on the issue of whether documents generated in review by an auto company's legal department were discoverable or whether they were covered under the attorney-client privilege work product doctrine.