

## **J. RICHARD CREATURA**

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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Judge Creatura is a Magistrate Judge for the Western District of Washington in Tacoma. He has served since March, 2009. He is currently serving as the Chief Magistrate Judge for the Western District of Washington.

Before going on the bench, Judge Creatura had been a trial attorney with the law firm of Gordon Thomas Honeywell Malanca Peterson & Daheim LLP, in Tacoma, Washington. He had served on the firm's Board of Directors and as Board Chair.

He is an Emeritus Member of the Robert J. Bryan Chapter of the American Inns of Court and former member of the American Board of Trial Advocates. He served on the Washington State Board of Bar Examiners for over twenty years and was a former Chair of the Commercial Litigation Section of the Washington State Trial Lawyers Association.

He is a former Trustee of the Federal Bar Association and served on a number of committees with the Ninth Circuit, including the Ninth Circuit Advisory Board.

He received his undergraduate degree at Tufts University in 1974 and law degree from University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law in 1978. Before graduation, Judge Creatura served as a law clerk to the Honorable Anthony M. Kennedy at the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Kennedy later became a Justice on the United States Supreme Court.