



JAMES BRENNAN (Class of 1948)

James Brennan served one term on the Clark County Commission from 1968 to 1972, and has served as a judge in Southern Nevada for over thirty years.

He graduated from Las Vegas High School in 1948 and from the University of Nevada in 1955. He then went to the Hastings College of Law. In 1958 he was admitted to the Nevada Bar. The following year he served as the Deputy District Attorney in Clark County.

In 1960, voters elected Brennan as a hospital trustee. In 1964 he was elected to serve as Justice of the Peace for Las Vegas. The Clark County Board of Health named him their legal counsel in 1967. In that role he drafted the county's first set of air pollution regulations.

Brennan ran for County Commission in 1968 and was elected by over 70% of the vote. He was defeated in a close election in 1972 by Richard Ronzone.

In 1974, 1978 and 1984, voters elected Brennan as a District Court Judge. He served until 1989. In 1990 he rejoined the bench on temporary duty. He continues to serve as a senior judge in Clark County, handling overflow cases from other judges.

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