

JOHN F. AISO

Biographical Data

Full Name: John Fujio Aiso, eldest son (2nd child) of Tokichi and Taki Aiso.

Birth Place and Date: Burbank, California, December 14, 1909.

Racial Ancestry: Japanese.

Marital Status: Married: Wife: Sumi Akiyama Aiso.  
Children: John F. Aiso, Jr.;  
Emi Suzanne Aiso.

Religious Preference: Protestant (Christian Church).

Political Registration: Republican.

EDUCATION

Hollywood High School, Los Angeles, California;  
graduated 1926.

Seijo Gakuen (now Seijo University), Tokyo, Japan,  
attended 1926-27.

Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island,  
A.B. cum laude, 1931.

Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, J.D., 1934.

Chuo University, Tokyo, Japan, Japanese Law Studies, 1936-37.

University of Southern California Law School, Los Angeles,  
California; Certificate for post-graduate studies  
in taxation, 1951.

JUDICIAL AND LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Special Counsel, O'Melveny & Myers, Los Angeles,  
Feb. 1, 1973 to March 1, 1984.

Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District,  
Division V, November 4, 1968 to December 31, 1972.  
(Served pro tem. during January 1973.)

Justice pro tem., Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District, Division V, by assignment by Chairman of the Judicial Council, December 1, 1967 to November 4, 1968.

Judge, Superior Court of California, Los Angeles County, September 11, 1957 to November 4, 1968.  
Assigned to Appellate Dept., June 1, 1965.  
Presiding Judge, Appellate Dept., July 1, 1965 - December 1, 1967.

Judge, Municipal Court, Los Angeles Judicial District, September 25, 1953, to September 10, 1957.

Commissioner, Superior Court of California, Los Angeles County, October 1, 1952 to September 24, 1953.

Admitted to New York State Bar, April 1935; to California State Bar, January 1941; to U.S. Supreme Court, June 1960.

Engaged in practice of law since admission to New York Bar, except for period of military service as Enlisted Man, War Dept. Civilian Employee, and AUS Officer during World War II.

Senior Partner; Aiso, Chuman & McKibbin, Attorneys at Law, Los Angeles, January 1, 1951 to September 30, 1952.

Individual Practice, Los Angeles, October 1, 1949 to December 31, 1950.

Partner, Maeno & Aiso, Attorneys at Law, Los Angeles, March 7, 1947 to September 30, 1949.

Individual Practice, Los Angeles, January 1941 to April 1941.

Head of Legal Department and Member of Board of Directors, Manchurian and Kwantung Leased Territory Subsidiaries of British-American Tobacco Co., Ltd., at Mukden, Manchoukuo, March 1937 to September 1940.

Law Clerk and Associate Counsel, Patterson, Eagle, Greenough & Day, Attorneys at Law, 120 Broadway, New York City, August 1934 to March 1937.

### MILITARY SERVICE

Drafted into Selective Service as a Private, 23 April 1941 and relieved from active duty as Lieutenant-Colonel, AUS, 7 May 1947. Promoted to Colonel, JAGC, USAR, 2 March 1960. Major World War II Assignments: Director of Academic Training, Military Intelligence Service Language School (now Defense Language Institute, West, Presidio of Monterey); Executive Assistant to Gen. C.A. Willoughby, Ass't. Chief of Staff, G-2, to General MacArthur, in occupied Japan. Major Reserve Assignments: Commanding Officer, Composite Unit, M.I. Reserve, 1948-50. Member of Board of Visitors with Mobilization Designation as Chairman, International Law Division, The Judge Advocate General's School, U.S. Army, Charlottesville, Virginia, 1959-65. Transferred to Retired Reserve, USAR, April 2, 1965. Now: Colonel, AUS (Retired)

### EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY

Lecturer in Law, University of Southern California Law School, on Legal Ethics during Spring Semester 1960 and 1961.

Member of Committee on CALJIC (California Jury Instructions, Criminal) of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, 1961-1972.

Member of Board of Trustees, Los Angeles County Law Library (next to Library of Congress, largest public law library in U.S.; July 1, 1965 to November 4, 1968.

Contributor, Chapter on "Sentencing Procedures", Handbook on California Criminal Practice, published by University of California Extension and the State Bar of California Continuing Education of the Bar (1969).

Provided manuscript for brochure on "Sentencing Procedures" used and distributed at the California Superior Courts' Sentencing Institutes held in March 1965 and 1966 at Santa Barbara.

Gave paper on "Strict Products' Liability" at Seminar for California Superior Court judges held by Conference of California Judges at Disneyland Hotel in May 1965.

### HONORARY DEGREES AND AWARDS

Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce Award For Outstanding Achievement, 1975.

Commendations from Supervisors of L.A. County, Los Angeles City Council, L.A. County Bar Ass'n. and Lawyers' Club of L.A. County for Judicial Services, 1973.

Legion of Merit decoration, President of United States, 1965.

Doctor of Laws (h.c.) Chapman College, Orange, Calif., 1960.

Master of Arts (h.c.) Brown University, Providence, R.I., 1950.

Distinguished Achievement Award, Hollywood High School Alumni Association, 1960.

National Award For Distinguished Community Leadership, Japanese-American Citizens' League, 1954.

Citation For Achievement in Field of Law, Los Angeles Urban League, 1947.

Commendation Ribbon with Pendant, U.S. Army, 1946.

### MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Bar Association. former Member of Committee on Far Eastern Law.

Los Angeles County Bar Association; former member of Constitutional Rights Committee.

American Society of International Law.

Institute of Judicial Administration.

### MEMBERSHIP IN CIVIC, SOCIAL, RELIGIOUS AND VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS

Delta Upsilon (National Collegiate Social) Fraternity.

Delta Sigma Rho (National Forensic Honorary) Fraternity.

Phi Alpha Delta (Legal Fraternity) Honorary Member.

University Club of Los Angeles.

Hollywood Beverly Christian Church, Los Angeles; former  
Chairman of Board of Elders and Elder.

Japan America Society of Southern California, Member of  
Council (former Vice-President).

Harvard Law School Association of Southern California.

American Legion, Commodore Perry Post No. 525, Post  
Judge Advocate.

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Nisei Memorial Post No. 9938.

Nisei Veterans Association, Los Angeles.

Japanese American Citizens League, Downtown Los Angeles  
and Hollywood Chapters.

Japanese Philharmonic Society of Los Angeles.

Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Southern California (former  
Member of Board of Directors).

Retired Officers' Association.

Formerly:

Member of California Conference of Judges.

California Legal Services Bar Association, Trustee.

American Judicature Society.

National Conference of Christians and Jews, Member  
of Board of Directors, Southern California  
Regional Board.

Church Federation of Los Angeles, Member of  
Board of Directors.

Japanese American Citizens League, National  
Citizenship Chairman.

Lawyers Club of Los Angeles, Member.

Brown University Club of Southern California,  
Vice-President.

Hollywood High School Alumni Association, President.

Los Angeles Athletic Club, Member.

Urban League of Los Angeles, Member of  
Board of Directors.

The Judge Advocates Association (Member, Board  
of Directors 1968-1970).

DATED: May 7, 1984.

A D D E N D U M

Member of Board of Directors, Sumitomo Bank of  
California, 1974 to date.

Awarded Third Class Order of Rising Sun  
(Japanese Government) November 3, 1984.