

# ManuFacts

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## GARY BARR ELECTED CMHI CHAIRMAN



Starting his second tenure as Chair of CMHI, Gary L. Barr brings a wealth of legal experience to the position. An attorney for more than 33 years including as a principal with the Encino law firm of Alpert, Barr & Grant for the past 29 years, his legal practice focuses on all forms of civil litigation including banking, finance, manufactured homes, business, real estate, creditors' rights in bankruptcy, landlord-tenant, and for enclosures. Gary regularly works with in-house legal counsel to craft and implement successful legal strategies and representation in complex business disputes.

Prior to entering private practice in 1982, Gary was a Deputy City Attorney for the City of Los Angeles where he began as a criminal prosecutor.

He later specialized in business and tax litigation and served as a legal adviser to the City Council and City Departments. He sat as a Judge Pro Tem and has been a court-appointed referee to resolve discovery and law and motion matters for the Los Angeles Superior Court. He is a past commissioner of the Los Angeles County Commission on Judicial Procedures and is a member of the Los Angeles County Assessor's Advisory Committee.

Gary first joined CMHI in 1991 and has held almost every position within the organization. He has been on the Board since 1992. Prior to being elected Chair at CMHI's March Board of Directors meeting, Gary was Chair for two years and at various times served as Secretary, Treasurer and PAC Chair. When CMHI needs him, Gary is always there for us. Gary also regularly attends MHI meetings, representing the interests of California.

Gary has been honored for his work both in the legal and manufactured housing fields. He is the recipient of CMHI's highest honor, the Jack E. Wells Memorial Award, as well as the President's Award for outstanding leadership and service to the manufactured housing industry. He has also received the San Fernando

Valley Bar Association's Stanley M. Lintz Award, the Bar's highest award, for volunteer work to the community and the Bar. Last year, the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors presented Gary with a commendation for his "dedicated service to the affairs of the community and for the civic pride demonstrated by numerous contributions for the benefit of all the citizens of Los Angeles County."

Gary's legal skills are consistently recognized by his peers. He has been named a Super Lawyer for his legal expertise in business, real estate, banking and construction litigation for 2009, 2010 and 2011. The Super Lawyers' selection process is multi-phased and includes independent research, peer nominations and peer evaluations. Only 5 percent of attorneys are selected as Super Lawyers.

Free time is important to Gary. When not working, he spends a great deal of time with his family, including his daughter's fiancés. Yes, both of Gary's daughters are engaged. Gary also loves to play golf and travel.