



Judge Eugene M. Hyman

CAN THE COURTS FIX VIOLENT HOMES?



In 1999, **Eugene Hyman** established and presided over the first **Juvenile Domestic Violence and Family Violence Court** in the United States. Hyman is currently a judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, where, for 18 years he has presided over cases in the criminal, civil, probate, family, and delinquency divisions of the court.

Judge Hyman has spoken to both national and international audiences and has published articles on issues surrounding domestic violence in the criminal and family courts--especially with co-occurring issues of substance abuse and mental health. He has a special interest in domestic violence as it affects children in the home and in the family court setting. In 2008, Hyman's district was recognized by the U.N. for its success in improving transparency, accountability, and responsiveness in the public services for **Juvenile Domestic Violence and Family Violence Court**.

Hyman has special understanding of sexual abuse, stalking, and strangulation, as they intersect with domestic violence and he discusses the importance of understanding these intricate ties. He strongly believes that the current system has not found a viable solution for intervening in domestic disputes and that the current family court system is only as good as the judge presiding over the case.

Your listeners can hear discussion about:

- How family violence is tied to more heinous crimes.
- The importance of **Juvenile Domestic Violence and Family Violence Court**
- What can be done outside the courthouse for those in situations of domestic violence.
- What factors can influence the decisions made by judges.
- How juvenile and family violence affect our society.



To learn more about Eugene Hyman, visit www.judgehyman.com

Judge Eugene M. Hyman recently received the 2008 United Nations Public Service Award on behalf of the Juvenile Delinquency and Domestic Violence and Family court. The district was recognized



internationally for his work in domestic violence. In 1999 Judge Hyman established the United State's first Juvenile Delinquency Court for the Domestic Violence and Family Violence programs in Santa Clara County.