

Hon. A. Ashley Tabaddor, Immigration Court (personal capacity)

A. Ashley Tabaddor is an Immigration Judge with the Immigration Court in Los Angeles. She was appointed to the bench in November 2005 where she has presided over the detained, the non-detained and the juvenile dockets. She also serves as an adjunct faculty at UCLA law school where she teaches advance courses on immigration law and crimes, and best practices before the Court. Prior to becoming a judge, she served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in Los Angeles, handling complex litigation in federal court. She has also served as a trial attorney with the United States Department of Justice in Washington D.C. appearing before circuit courts of appeal throughout the country, and as a law clerk and attorney advisor for the Immigration Court and the Office of the Chief Immigration Judge. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree, cum laude, in 1994 from UCLA and her Juris Doctorate in 1997 from the University of California, Hastings College of the Law.

Judge Tabaddor is the recipient of judicial excellence awards by the Armenian-American Bar Association (2014), the Arab American Lawyers' Association of Southern California (2014), and the Iranian American Bar Association (2013).

Judge Tabaddor is actively involved with the legal and the non-legal community, mentoring (formally and informally) and speaking regularly before bar associations, conferences, symposiums, organizations and schools. She is the Western Regional Vice President of the National Association of Immigration Judges. She is on the Board of Directors of the Federal Bar Association's Immigration Law Section. She is on the Board of Advisors of the Iranian-American Bar Association Foundation for Scholarships. She is an active member of the Pacific Council on International Policy, and a member of the National Association of Women Judges. She is appearing for this event in her personal capacity.