# CHRISTOPHER A. DARDEN Attorney at Law

BIOGRAPHY

Christopher Allen Darden, Esq. is an accomplished New York Times Best Selling Author, frequent TV Show personality, actor, sought after public speaker and world-renowned Los Angeles based criminal defense attorney. His first book *In Contempt* spent 14 weeks as #1 on the New York Times Best Seller List.

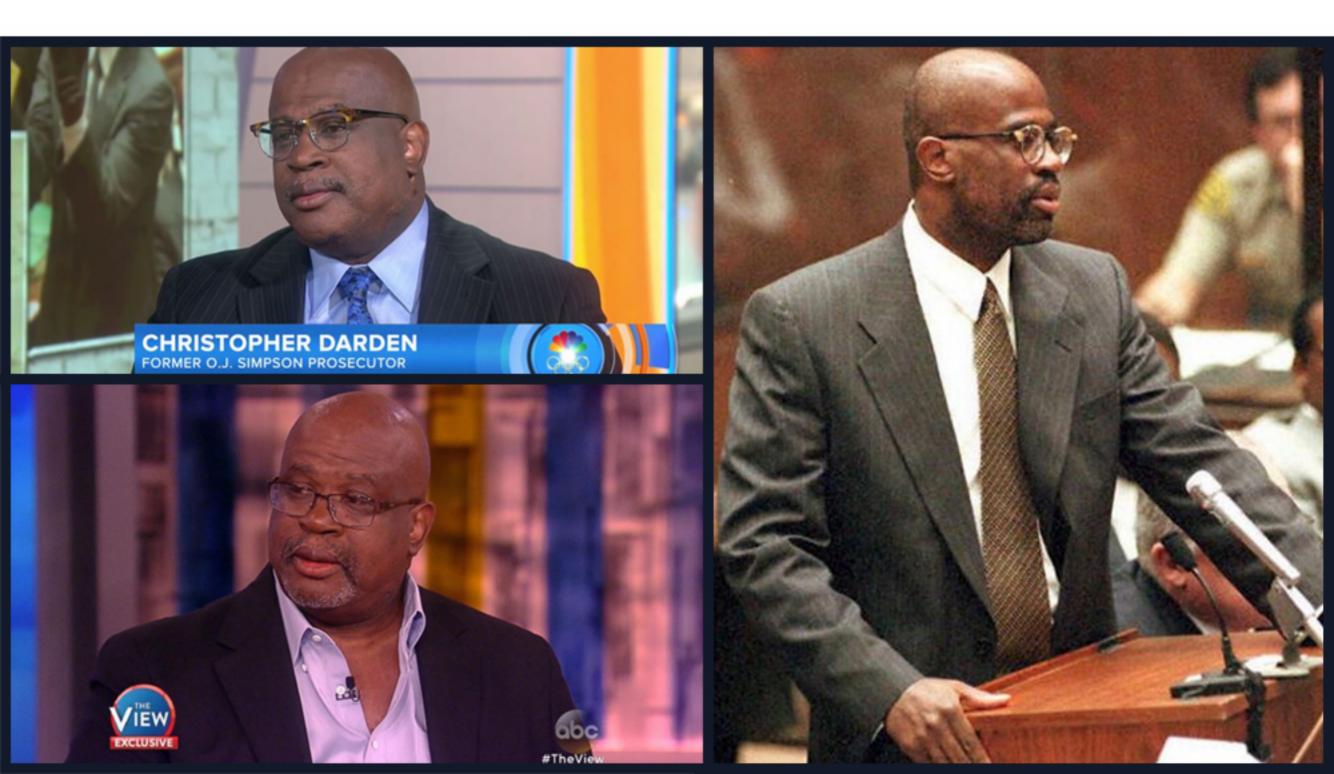
Admitted to practice law 36 years ago, he currently provides each of his clients with a unique skill set on criminal and civil matters. **Mr. Darden** is a graduate of **San Jose State University**, having earned his B.S. in Criminal Justice in 1977. Three years later, Darden obtained his Juris Doctor from **The University of California**, **Hastings College of Law**.

During the mid to late 1980s, Christopher was an essential Lead Prosecutor in the Special Investigation Division (SID) which investigated criminal activity by public and law enforcement officials. Due to his extensive expertise, Deputy District Attorneys Marcia Clark and William Hodgman requested that Mr. Darden lead the prosecution of Al Cowlings and later become the Case Manager in the 1995 OJ Simpson Murder Trial, deemed "The Trial of the Century."

He then pursued his passion as a professor and taught undergraduate criminal law at California State University and was later appointed Associate Professor of Law at Southwestern University School of Law.

Mr. Darden has appeared on Oprah, Dr. Oz, Today with Megyn Kelly, CNN, Fox News Network and Court TV. Additionally, he is a frequent legal commentator on CNBC, CNN and NBC. Christopher has made guest appearances on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno and The Howard Stern Show.

Mr. Darden currently owns and operates Darden Law Group, after a successful 16-year career as a Special Prosecutor in the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office. Recently, Mr. Darden has teamed up and joined forces with Exoneree, Marty Tankleff and Metcalf & Metcalf, P.C., a Manhattan based law firm. The team focuses on potential wrongful conviction cases in both New York and California.



# FEATUREDIN



















The New Hork Times Christopher A. Darden's powerful and affecting new book, "In Contempt," is different. Though Mr. Darden gives the reader his own candid impressions of the Simpson case, his book is less a rehashing of the so-called trial of the century than the story of his own coming of age, as a lawyer and as a black man, caught up in the racial upheavals of Los Angeles during the 80's and 90's.

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### MICHIKO KAKUTANI, NY TIMES

Whether you believe in O.J. Simpson's guilt or innocence, prosecutor Christopher Darden's book, In Contempt, should be a must read. It's lucid, concise, graphic, factual and not without suspense and Insights. [It] takes the reader into the heart of the prosecution and its case.

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### AMSTERDAM NEWS

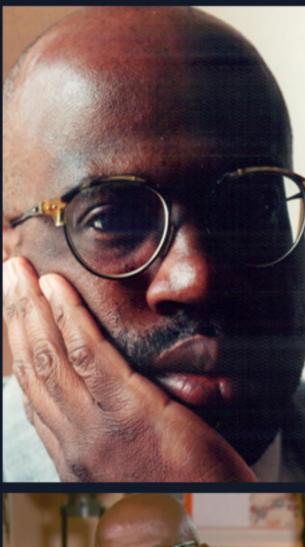
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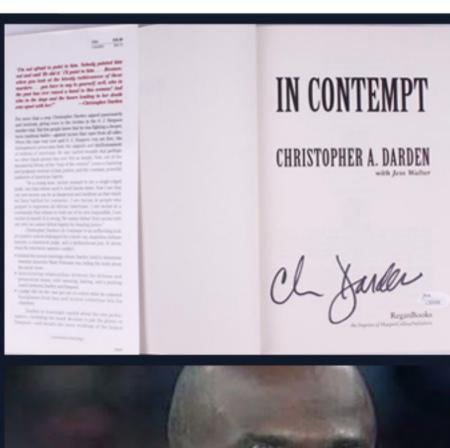
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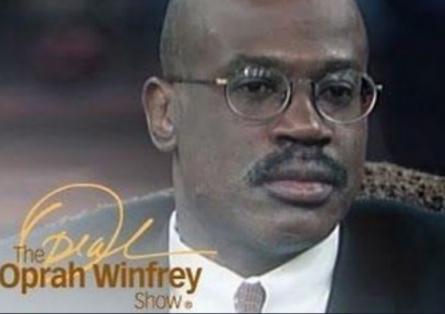
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### ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY











Darden knows the L.A. legal system like the back of his hand.

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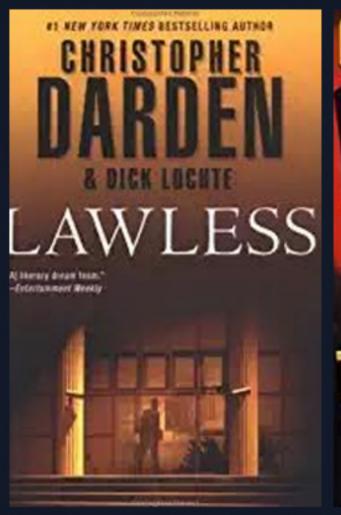
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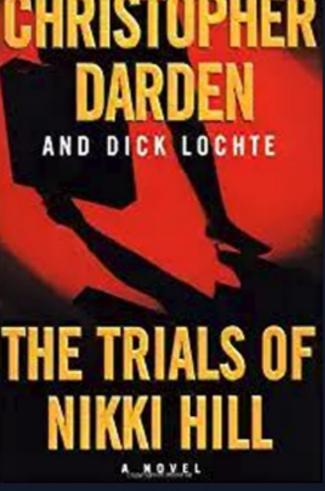
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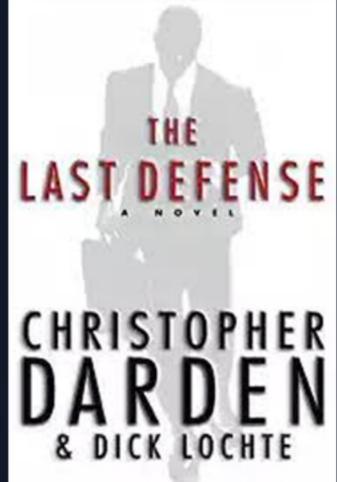
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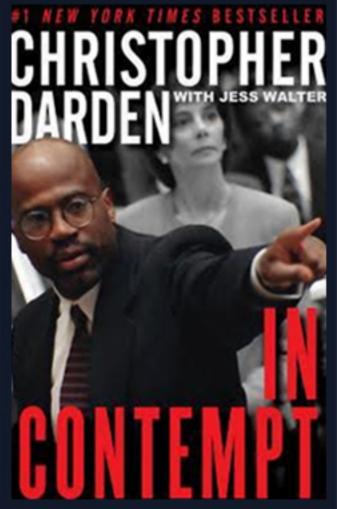
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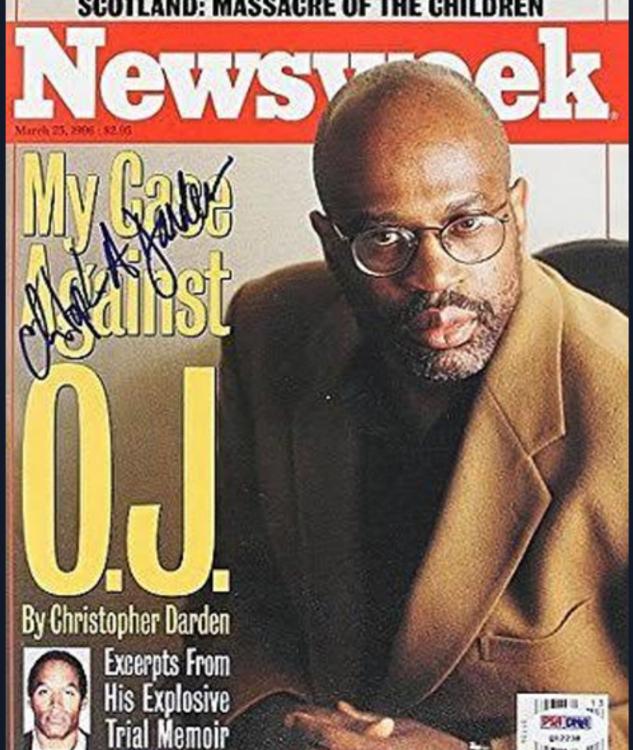




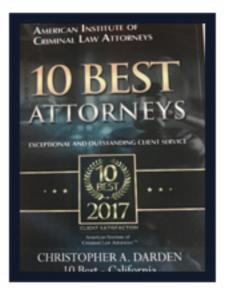








## **AWARDS**



Ten Best Attorneys by American Institute of Criminal Law Attorneys (2017)



Top 100 National Black Lawyers (2017)

Super Lawyers (2017)

Crystal Heart Award from Loved Ones of Homicide Victims (1998)

> "Humanitarian of the Year" by Eli Horne (2000)



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