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# Chancela Al-Mansour

Appointed by Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, Second District

Chancela Al-Mansour joined the Housing Rights Center as its Executive Director in 2010 where she manages the nation's largest and oldest private fair housing advocacy organization. The Housing Rights Center provides free consulting and legal services to more than 20,000 households in Los Angeles and Ventura counties annually. She recently served on LAHSA's Ad Hoc Committees on Blacks Experiencing Homelessness and Women Experiencing Homelessness. She also served as a Los Angeles City Commissioner for Children and Family Services. Before joining the Housing Rights Center, Al-Mansour worked at Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County for 16 years where she supervised the HPRP (homeless prevention) project with L.A. City and L.A. County, and litigated hundreds of cases involving landlord-tenant, subsidized housing programs, mortgage fraud and discrimination in housing.

Al-Mansour has extensive experience litigating fair housing cases involving familial status, disability and race, producing training and resource materials, and training attorneys in state and federal fair housing law. While in private practice, she and her former law partner filed the landmark Roommates.com case, and litigated other fair housing impact cases. She was also the Earl Johnson Community Lawyer Fellow at the Western Center on Law and Poverty.

She is a board member of the National Fair Housing Alliance and the California Reinvestment Coalition, a member of the Black Women's Lawyers Association of Los Angeles. She received California Lawyer's Super Lawyer Award and LA's Pro Bono Service Award in 2007 for her legal assistance to Hurricane Katrina evacuees in Los Angeles. Al-Mansour graduated from Vassar College and the University of California at Davis School of Law.