



"Enriching Lives"

County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors



SUPERVISOR MORRIS L. GOODMAN

Term: 1861
District: Not Applicable
Date of Birth: Unknown
Death: Unknown

Morris L. Goodman served less than one term as county supervisor. He assumed office in January 1861, but resigned five months into his term. He was replaced by Thomas George Barker.

In 1850 Goodman was elected to the Los Angeles City Council. He was the only American on that council as well as being the first Jew. Everyone else were Mexican nationals. In 1854 he became a deputy sheriff in the San Fernando Valley, followed by his election to the Board of Supervisors in 1861. After leaving office Goodman opened his own business.

In 1872 he moved to Anaheim and opened the Goodman & Rimpau Dry Goods Palace - located on the south side of Center Street (now Lincoln Avenue) near Lemon Street - in partnership with Theodore Rimpau.

Sources: "Holidays in the Valley: The Jewish Experience Immigration," Los Angeles Times, Nov. 29, 1991; Anaheim Public Library.