



County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors

SUPERVISOR JUAN SEPULVEDA

Term: 1854
District: Not Applicable
Date of Birth: 1814
Death: 1898

Juan Sepulveda served as county supervisor for one term. He assumed office in 1854.

Sepulveda was born and raised in Los Angeles. He attended public schools there and went on to study law and become a prominent lawyer along with his brother Jose.

The family was one of the first to settle in the town, and the father was rich, powerful and owned hundreds of acres of lands due to his ties to the Mexican government. Although they didn't need to work, Sepulveda and his brother followed in their father's footsteps by pursuing careers in civil service. As a reward for their contributions, the Mexican government awarded the brothers land now known as Rancho Palos Verdes, along with a large part of what today is San Pedro.

After the American conquest of California, Sepulveda remained active in politics under the new government. He became a judge and later was elected county supervisor. Sepulveda turned to farming after leaving public office.

In 1898 Sepulveda died. He was 84, and was survived by his second wife, Susanna, and 11 children from his first and second marriage. Upon her death on May 31, 1923, the land in San Pedro owned by Mrs. Sepulveda was valued at \$40 million.

Source: History of Los Angeles County.