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JUDGE REBECCA S. RILEY RETIRES

Judge Rebecca S. Riley retired on November 15, 2015, after 20 years on the bench. During her career, she presided over a wide range of criminal and civil assignments.

Judge Riley was appointed to the Ventura County Municipal Court bench by Governor Pete Wilson in November 1995, and elevated to the Superior Court by unification in June 1998.

Judge Riley was named Judge of the Year in 2013 by the Ventura County Trial Lawyers Association, and received the Women Lawyers of Ventura County (WLVC) Legacy Award earlier this year.

Judge Riley is a graduate of the University of Wyoming and the Ventura College of Law. Prior to her appointment to the bench, she was a deputy district attorney with the Ventura County District Attorney's Office for 10 years, and practiced civil law for two years.

Judge Riley has been actively involved in promoting education throughout her judicial career. She has served on the faculty of the California Judicial Council's Judicial College as both a seminar leader and instructor in such subjects as New Judge Orientation, Judicial Ethics, and Criminal Procedure Overview. She currently serves on the Governing Committee for the California Judiciary Education and Research Center (CJER), which is the education division of the California Judicial Council.

Judge Riley is a past Chair of the CJER Criminal Law Education Committee, a former member of the Judicial Council's Criminal Law Advisory Committee and

the California Judges Association's Criminal Law and Procedure Committee. She currently serves on the Board of Trustees of Ventura and Santa Barbara Colleges of Law.

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