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JUDGE BRUCE A. YOUNG RETIRES

Judge Bruce A. Young retired on December 6, 2023, from the Superior Court of California, County of Ventura after more than 20 years of dedicated service. At a retirement ceremony held at the Court on October 13, 2023, elected officials, current and former Court judicial officers, friends, colleagues and members of Judge Young's family honored the Judge's many years of service.

Judge Young was selected by the Ventura County Superior Court Judges as a Court Commissioner. He was formally sworn into that position on December 11, 2002, and began his position on February 10, 2003. He was appointed as Judge of the Ventura Superior Court by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger on August 20, 2007, and was administered the oath of office the same day filling the vacancy of Judge Barry Klopfer.

During his tenure as a Court judicial officer, Judge Young presided over family law, juvenile court and adoption, and, most recently, criminal law cases. Judge Young served as Court's Presiding Judge from August 2020 through December 2022, and the Assistant Presiding Judge from January 2019 to August 2020. He also served as the Supervising Judge of the Criminal Department presiding over the Criminal Master Trial Calendar in Courtroom 13 from April 2009 to February 2012.

During his judicial career, Judge Young received notable awards and honors including: the Ventura County Trial Lawyers Judge of the Year Award (2015) and the Knights of Columbus Council #750 Public Safety Award (2013) in recognition of his contributions to the community.

Prior to becoming a judicial officer, Judge Young was a Deputy District Attorney for the Ventura County District Attorney's Office from 1999 to 2003. He began his private practice of law in early 1978 in Santa Paula and Ventura and was a partner with the law firm Drescher, McConica, Onstot, Schuck & Young from 1993 to 1999.

Judge Young earned his Bachelor of Arts from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo (1974) and his Juris Doctorate from Pepperdine University School of Law (1977).

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