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BRENDA L. MCCORMICK RETIRES AS COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE VENTURA SUPERIOR COURT

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VENTURA, CA— The Ventura Superior Court announces the retirement of Brenda L. McCormick, Court Executive Officer, Clerk of the Court and Jury Commissioner, effective April 14, 2025, after over 19 years of service to the Court. Ms. McCormick has served as the Court Executive Officer since her appointment by the Judges in 2021. Ms. McCormick was the Court’s General Counsel from 2011 to 2021, and the Managing Attorney overseeing the Court’s Legal Research attorneys, Family Law Facilitator, Civil Self-Help and the Case Management Attorney from 2005 to 2011. Before joining the Court in 2005, Ms. McCormick was a respected civil litigator for 17 years in Ventura, where she was a shareholder in the prestigious firm of Benton, Orr, Duval & Buckingham. Ms. McCormick has served on several advisory committees to the California Judicial Council including the Court Executives Advisory Committee.

“We thank Ms. McCormick for her years of dedicated service to the Court and, most importantly, to the residents of the County of Ventura,” says Presiding Judge Matthew P. Guasco. “In particular, Ms. McCormick’s work as General Counsel for the Court was critical during the COVID-19 pandemic, especially that pertaining to the emergency orders, which modified court operations in an effort to protect the public, judicial officers and employees.” Presiding Judge Guasco adds, “Even in the most stressful situations, Ms. McCormick always demonstrated her trademark calm and patient demeanor. We wish her the best on the occasion of her retirement.”

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