

Superior Court of California County of Tuolumne

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PRESS RELEASE

It is with mixed emotions that I announce the retirement of the Honorable Donald I. Segerstrom, Jr., Assistant Presiding Judge, of the Superior Court of California, County of Tuolumne, as of December 31, 2021. Judge Segerstrom is currently the senior judge of our Court. Losing his experience, wisdom and work ethic will certainly create a void in our Court. However, to our delight, Judge Segerstrom plans to apply for acceptance into the Assigned Judges Program through the Judicial Council of California, and as the other retired judges in our county have done before him, he is willing to sit on assignment in Tuolumne County until the Governor announces his appointment to fill the vacancy his retirement creates.

Judge Segerstrom was appointed as a Superior Court Judge by Governor Jerry Brown on December 24, 2011, and was sworn in on January 20, 2012, and has been elected to two additional terms. During his judicial career, Judge Segerstrom has acted as the Presiding Judge, Assistant Presiding Judge and the Juvenile Court Presiding Judge. He has served on various Judicial Council Committees, as well as heading the Juvenile Justice Commission.

Judge Segerstrom's career also includes serving as the District Attorney of Tuolumne County from 2001-2011, sole practitioner 1989-2001, Deputy District Attorney of Stanislaus County 1985-1988, and research attorney for the Third District Court of Appeal 1981-1985.

Judge Segerstrom was born and raised in Sonora, California. He graduated from both Sonora Elementary School and Sonora High School. His family roots go back to the Gold Rush era here in Sonora. It is bittersweet to have him retire, but we are very grateful for his willingness to continue to serve as an Assigned Judge to fill his vacancy until a replacement is appointed by the Governor. Having provided years of honorable and effective service to our community, he has certainly earned a happy retirement filled with travel and adventure.

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