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SAN BERNARDINO SUPERIOR COURT WELCOMES TWO NEW JUDGES

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Anabel Z. Romero Court Executive Officer **SAN BERNARDINO, CA**— On January 31, 2023, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the appointment of Geraldine Wong-Williams and John Wilkerson to judgeships in San Bernardino Superior Court (SBSC).

The Governor's office released the following statements:

Geraldine Wong-Williams, 43, of San Bernardino County, has been appointed to serve as a Judge in the San Bernardino Superior Court. Wong-Williams has served as a Commissioner at the San Bernardino County Superior Court since 2021. She served as a Deputy District Attorney at the Orange County District Attorney's Office from 2017 to 2021 and as a Deputy Public Defender at the Orange County Public Defender's Office from 2006 to 2017. She earned a Juris Doctor degree from the Southwestern University School of Law. Wong-Williams fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge John M. Tomberlin.

John Wilkerson, 52, of San Bernardino County, has been appointed to serve as a Judge in the San Bernardino Superior Court. Wilkerson has been an Associate at Price Law Firm, APC since 2022. He was a Partner at Haight Brown & Bonesteel LLP from 2007 to 2022 and an Associate there from 2001 to 2006. Wilkerson was an Associate at the Law Offices of Ponsor & Associates from 1999 to 2001. He earned a Juris Doctor degree from the Gonzaga University School of Law. He fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Arthur A. Harrison.

Presiding Judge R. Glenn Yabuno said of the appointment and selection, "we are very pleased with the Governor's judicial appointments and look forward to our continued partnership."

SBSC has a need of 31 additional judicial officers – the highest judicial need in the state of California. Fulfilling this need is critical to restoring public confidence in the judicial system and expanding access to justice.

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