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SAN BERNARDINO SUPERIOR COURT WELCOMES JUDGE GUY A. BOVÉE AND JUDGE JOSEPH T. ORTIZ

SAN BERNARDINO, CA—On November 13, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the appointment of Guy A. Bovée and Joseph T. Ortiz to judgeships in the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino.

The Governor's office released the following statement:

Guy A. Bovée, 54, of Victorville, has been appointed to serve as a Judge in the San Bernardino County Superior Court. Bovée has served as a Commissioner at the San Bernardino Superior Court since 2017. He was a sole practitioner from 2015 to 2017 and an Associate at the Law Office of Ripley and Associates from 2011 to 2015. Bovée was a sole practitioner from 2008 to 2011, Executive Vice President and Chief Credit Officer at First Mountain Bank from 2005 to 2008 and Vice President and Credit Analyst at Sun Country Bank from 1996 to 2005. He was Vice President and SBA Manager at Western State Bank from 1994 to 1996 and an Assistant Vice President at Foothill Independent Bank from 1987 to 1994. Bovée served as a Corporal in the U.S. Army from 1984 to 1987. He earned a Juris Doctor degree from the California Southern Law School. He fills the vacancy of a new position created on September 24, 2019.

Joseph T. Ortiz, 50, of Riverside, has been appointed to serve as a Judge in the San Bernardino Superior Court. Ortiz has been a Partner at Best Best & Krieger LLP since 2012, where he has held several positions since 2008, including Of Counsel and Associate. He was an Associate at Epstein Becker Green from 2006 to 2008 and at Gresham Savage Nolan & Tilden PC from 2002 to 2006. He served as a Law Clerk at the Minnesota Court of Appeals from 2001 to 2002. Ortiz earned a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Minnesota Law School. He fills the vacancy of a new position created on September 24, 2019.

Presiding Judge Michael A. Sachs said of the appointment and selection, "We are pleased with the Governor's appointments of Judge Bovée and Judge Ortiz."

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San Bernardino Superior Court has an overall need of 43 additional judicial officers – the highest judicial need in the state of California.

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