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FORMAL ENROBEMENT CEREMONY FOR JUDGE DANA K. CAUDILL

Presiding Judge Kevin G. DeNoce announces the formal enrobement ceremony for Judge Dana K. Caudill to take place on Friday, June 21, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in Courtroom 22 of the Hall of Justice in Ventura. The ceremony will be open to the public, elected officials, local bar association, and representatives of Court-related County departments. The press is invited to attend and to take photographs during this special ceremonial proceeding.

Presiding Judge Kevin G. DeNoce and Assistant Presiding Judge Matthew P. Guasco will lead the ceremony. The oath of office will be administered by the Hon. David W. Long, Ret. Judge Caudill's family members will assist with the enrobing. Scheduled speakers include Judge Long; Ventura County Supervisor/Chair Kelly Long; Ventura County Bar Association President Joshua S. Hopstone; Gina Botwinick, Assistant City Attorney for the City of Simi Valley; and field and local representatives from the offices of Senator Monique Limón; and Congresswoman Julia Brownley.

Judge Caudill was appointed by Governor Gavin Newsom on January 29, 2024. She filled the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Manuel J. Covarrubias who retired in 2023. Judge Dana K. Caudill took the bench on Monday, February 26, 2024.

Beginning in 1996, Judge Caudill was an attorney with Farmers Insurance Company. Prior to her appointment to the bench, she was the Managing Attorney for Farmers' Los Angeles office. She also worked for Farmers as a Supervising Attorney and Trial Attorney. From 1994 to 1996, she was an Attorney at Porter, Scott, Weiberg & Delehant and a Law Clerk/Associate Attorney at Matheny, Poidmore & Sears from 1993 to 1994.

Judge Caudill's professional associations included the American Board of Trial Advocates (California Coast Chapter) (2004 - 2024); Ventura County and Santa Barbara County Bar Associations (2001 - 2008); and the Jerome H. Berenson American Inns of Court (2001 - 2008). She served as a Judge Pro Tem at the Ventura Superior Court from 2007 to 2011.

Judge Caudill earned her bachelor's degree from the University of California, Santa Barbara (1989) and received her Juris Doctor degree from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law (1993).

Judge Caudill is currently assigned to the Family Law Division and presides in Department 33 at the Hall of Justice in Ventura.

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