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GOVERNOR APPOINTS PAUL FELDMAN TO SUPERIOR COURT JUDGESHIP

On October 18, 2023, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the appointment of Ventura Superior Court Commissioner Paul William Feldman to a judgeship in the Ventura Superior Court. The appointment authorizes Judge Feldman to begin his judicial duties immediately. Judge Feldman fills the vacancy created by the elevation of Judge Tari Cody to the Court of Appeal earlier this year.

Prior to his appointment, Judge Feldman served as Court Commissioner beginning on July 5, 2022, and, in that capacity, he heard misdemeanor and traffic arraignments and trials, small claims trials, juvenile traffic/truancy, guardianships and expungement matters.

Prior to joining the Ventura Superior Court, Judge Feldman was a Senior Deputy District Attorney with the Ventura County District Attorney's Office where he worked in a number of subject areas: Major Crimes/Gang, General Felonies, Mental Health, Sexual Assault Family Protection, and Misdemeanors. As part of this work, he litigated in Ventura more than 40 jury and bench trials and conducted over 100 preliminary hearings.

Prior to relocating to Ventura, Judge Feldman was a Deputy District Attorney in Victorville, CA for the San Bernadino District Attorney's Office. He conducted jury trials for Sexual Assaults, Domestic Violence, and Driving under the Influence of Drugs or Alcohol. His work was recognized by Mothers Against Drunk Driving with an award for outstanding prosecution. In addition, he directed appellate litigation for felony Petitions for Writs of Habeas Corpus, and he presented arguments before the Court of Appeal and the San Bernadino Superior Court Appellate Division. Judge Feldman also served as San Bernadino's representative regarding the impact of prison overcrowding for a statewide lawsuit regarding prison reform.

Since 2012, Judge Feldman has served in the Judge Advocate General's Corps for the United States Air Force, conducting work at air and space force bases in Colorado and California. He has litigated before armed services discharge boards and has also served as a Legal Advisor for such boards and in criminal cases. He provided legal assistance to armed services clients on topics such as family law, landlord/tenant disputes, and estate issues and he offered legal support and advice to mission commanders. In 2014, he was recognized as both the 412th Test Wing Individual Movement Augmentee Company Grade Officer of the year and the Air Force Test Center Individual Movement Augmentee Company Grade Officer of the year.

Judge Feldman is a graduate of the University of California, Los Angeles and earned his law degree from the University of San Diego School of Law.

A formal enrobement ceremony will be announced in the future.

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