

## The Superior Court of California

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## Erin E. Guy Castillo Appointed to San Joaquin County Superior Court Bench



The Judges of the Superior Court of California, County of San Joaquin are pleased to announce the appointment of Erin E. Guy Castillo to the position of Superior Court Judge. Ms. Guy Castillo was appointed to the bench last week by Governor Newsom to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge William D. Johnson. "I'm honored to continue to serve the community I love. Thank you for believing in me and I'm humbled by Governor Newsom's appointment," said Ms. Guy Castillo.

Ms. Guy Castillo, 40, of Stockton, has served as a court commissioner in the Superior Court of San Joaquin County, Stockton Branch, for the past two years, handling criminal, traffic, civil and family law cases. Prior to her appointment as a commissioner, she was a Partner at Parish Guy Castillo PC from 2014 to 2018. She was an Associate at William H. Parish PC from 2009 to 2014 and at Dowling, Aaron & Keeler Inc. from 2007 to 2009.

Ms. Guy Castillo was admitted to the California State Bar in December 2007. Guy Castillo earned a Juris Doctor degree from the University of San Francisco, School of Law and a Bachelor of Arts degree from California State University, Fullerton. As an attorney, she was recognized by Super Lawyers as a Rising Star for over five consecutive years and listed as one of the top women lawyers in Northern California. She handled a wide variety of civil matters and had several jury and court trials.

Ms. Guy Castillo has been extremely active in our local community serving all facets of society. She has been President of the Mary Graham Children's Foundation, the San Joaquin County Bar Association, and currently serves as President of the Judge Consuelo M. Callahan American Inns of Court. She has also served as a board member for both the Leadership Stockton Alumni Association and Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce. She has spent

countless hours improving the legal community, including developing mentorship programs and giving presentations on current legal issues.

Ms. Guy Castillo's formal and public swearing in ceremony has yet to be scheduled. Presiding Judge Xapuri B. Villapudua had this to say about Ms. Guy Castillo's appointment to the bench, "Our court is thrilled, although not surprised that Erin has been appointed to the bench in San Joaquin County. Her commitment to serving the people of San Joaquin County is unwavering. Our bench will benefit from her legal acumen, integrity, work ethic, and her dedication to the rule of law."

A state Judicial Needs Assessment has found that the San Joaquin Superior Court is in need of additional judgeships. The appointment of Ms. Guy Castillo will greatly assist the Court's goal in continuing to provide access to justice for court litigants.

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