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## GOVERNOR APPOINTS TWO JUDGES TO SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT BENCH

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**Stockton, CA** — On October 5, 2023, Governor Gavin Newsom appointed two new San Joaquin Superior Court Judges: Allan F. Jose and Sabrina Schneweis-Coe.

Judge Allan F. Jose had been a Sole Practitioner since 2005. He was a Partner and Attorney at the law firm of Jose & Barrera APC from 2005 to 2016. Judge Jose served as a Deputy District Attorney at the San Joaquin County District Attorney's Office from 1998 to 2005 and was an Associate at Cook Brown LLP from 2001 to 2002. He was an Associate at Murphy Pearson Bradley and Feeney from 2000 to 2001. He earned his Juris Doctor degree from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law. He fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Linda Lofthus effective October 6, 2023. "I am both privileged and excited by this Appointment. I look forward to serving San Joaquin County and earning the trust placed in me by the Governor," said Judge Jose.

Prior to her appointment, Judge Sabrina Schneweis-Coe served as Supervising Probate Attorney at the San Joaquin County Superior Court since 2019. She was a Partner at Schneweis-Coe & Bakken LLP from 2014 to 2019 and Counsel at Downey Brand LLP from 2010 to 2014. She was a Partner and Owner at Schneweis-Coe & Bakken, Attorneys at Law from 2002 to 2010 and an Associate at Drobny Law Offices Inc. from 2000 to 2002. Judge Schneweis-Coe earned a Juris Doctor degree from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law. She filled the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Anthony Lucaccini in August 2023. "I am truly honored and humbled to have been appointed by Governor Newsom. I look forward to serving the community of San Joaquin County," said Judge Schneweis-Coe.

Assistant Presiding Judge Gus Barrera said "I am extremely pleased with the additions of Judges Allan F. Jose and Sabrina Schneweis-Coe to our bench. Each of them brings a vast amount of experience and specialized knowledge that will be an asset in their future assignments. They each have a strong work ethic and great judicial temperament. The Court has every confidence they will excel in their new positions."

The appointments of Judge Jose and Judge Schneweis-Coe will greatly assist the Court's goal in continuing to provide access to justice for court litigants. After these appointments, the Court has three judicial vacancies that need to be filled. In addition, a state Judicial Needs Assessment has found that the San Joaquin County Superior Court is in need of additional judgeships.

Both judges' formal and public swearing in ceremonies have yet to be scheduled.

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