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SAN BERNARDINO SUPERIOR COURT WELCOMES NEW JUDGE JONI I. SINCLAIR

SAN BERNARDINO, CA— On May 2, 2022, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the appointment of Joni I. Sinclair to a judgeship in San Bernardino Superior Court (SBSC).

The Governor's office released the following statements:

Joni I. Sinclair, of Rancho Cucamonga, has been appointed to serve as a Judge in the San Bernardino County Superior Court. Sinclair has served as a Commissioner at the Riverside County Superior Court since 2021. She served as a Deputy Public Defender at the Law Offices of the San Bernardino County Public Defender from 2015 to 2021. She was a Sole Practitioner from 2014 to 2015 and a Contract Juvenile Dependency Attorney at the Juvenile Defense Panel from 2001 to 2014. Sinclair served as a Deputy Public Defender at the Law Offices of the Riverside County Public Defender from 1995 to 2000 and was Legal Editor for Butterworth Legal Publishers from 1992 to 1995. She earned a Juris Doctor degree from the Howard University School of Law. Sinclair fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Stephen G. Saleson.

Presiding Judge R. Glenn Yabuno said of the appointment and selection, "we are very pleased with the Governor's appointment of Judge Sinclair to our Court and look forward to working with her. She will truly be an asset to our bench."

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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