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## San Mateo County Superior Court Launches Its Judicial Mentor Program

San Mateo County Superior Court Presiding Judge Leland Davis, III announces the formation of its Judicial Mentor Program consistent with recently launched California Judicial Mentor Programs across the state. The mentorship program is in collaboration with the Office of Governor Gavin Newsom and the judicial branch. The Judicial Mentor Program will connect mentor judges with attorneys interested in a judicial career. The goal of the program is to expand the pool of qualified judicial applicants from diverse legal backgrounds and diverse communities.

The program pairs attorneys committed to public service with judges who will help demystify the judicial appointment process, answer questions about the judicial application, and suggest new experiences to improve the applicant's skills.

The program will work with local bar associations, nonprofit legal organizations, government lawyers, law firms, and solo practitioners to identify and encourage promising judicial candidates to apply for appointment. By connecting lawyers with mentor judges who understand the judicial selection process and who can provide guidance to those seeking to become judges in California, the program is designed to increase the applicant pool of judicial candidates.

To learn more about the program and apply for a mentor, visit the San Mateo County Superior Court's website <a href="https://www.sanmateocourt.org">https://www.sanmateocourt.org</a> and go to the General Info tab and click on the Judicial Mentor Program link.

If you have any questions, please contact us at JudicialMentorProgram@sanmateocourt.org

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