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Judge Tam Schumann Elected 2019/2020 President of the California Judges Association



(July 1, 2019 - Orange County, CA) Judge Tam Nomoto Schumann was elected 88th President of the California Judges Association (CJA) by the group's Executive Board at its meeting held Friday, June 28, 2019 in Orange County. She will serve a one-year term beginning October 13, 2019, succeeding Judge Paul A. Bacigalupo of the Los Angeles Superior Court.

Judge Tam Nomoto Schumann has never stopped working to support the interests of her colleagues, both those currently sitting and those who have retired. She was appointed to the Orange County Superior Court in 1979 and has been an active member of CJA for the past 39 years. She has served on Family, Civil, and Criminal assignments, and is currently sitting on assignment. She

graduated from Boalt Hall, University of California, Berkeley. After graduating, she was in private practice with Nossaman, Kruegar, Marsh & Riordan then with the Orange County County Counsel's Office. Judge Nomoto Schumann was on the Judicial Council, Chair of the CJA Ethics Committee, Chair of the CJER Governing Committee, Chair of the Temporary Assigned Judges Outreach Committee, is a Past President American Judges Association, and Chair of the CJA Retired Judges' Committee. She is currently the Secretary-Treasurer for the California Judges Association.

Sitting on assignment provides Judge Schumann firsthand knowledge of the conditions under which bench officers, courthouse administrators, and courthouse staff work, as well as how the public, both through jury service and as litigants, experience California's courts. On behalf of CJA and its members, she will continue to advocate for a fair and robust judicial budget.

Judge Schumann was honored by the Supreme Court as a Pioneer of Judicial Education and recently returned from presenting a paper on judicial ethics at the Vatican.

"California's judiciary is the finest in the nation and I look forward to working on behalf of all California's judicial officers. I have dedicated my professional life to defend an independent, impartial and honorable judiciary that maintains the upmost integrity in decision making. I will work to protect judicial independence at a time when judges and the judiciary are under attack." Judge Tam Nomoto Schumann

Other CJA officers elected for the 2019/20 term are Vice Presidents **Judge Tom Delaney** of Orange Superior Court and **Judge Paul Marigonda** of Santa Cruz Superior Court. Elected as Secretary/Treasurer is **Judge Lisa Chung** of the Los Angeles Superior Court.

The CJA is the largest judicial officer organization in the country with over 2300 active and retired members.