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GOVERNOR APPOINTS ADAM RAMIREZ TO THE SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT BENCH



STOCKTON— On Wednesday, June 18, 2025, Governor Gavin Newsom appointed Adam Ramirez to serve as judge on the San Joaquin County Superior Court bench. Judge Ramirez fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Jose L. Alva in September 2023.

Judge Ramirez brings nearly two decades of legal experience to his new role. He has served as a Shareholder at Hakeem, Ellis, Marengo & Ramirez since 2023, following a 14-year tenure as an Associate. Judge Ramirez has been an Adjunct Professor at Humphreys University Drivon School of Law, since 2019. Earlier in his career, he served as an Attorney at the Family Law Service Center and the Law Office of Christopher K. Eley.

Judge Ramirez earned his Juris Doctor degree from the Humphreys University Drivon School of Law.

“We are extremely excited about the appointment of Adam Ramirez to the San Joaquin County Superior Court. Adam brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in the areas of family and civil law that will be a great benefit to the litigants who appear before him. We are grateful for this appointment as we have a number of upcoming retirements. Thank you to Governor Newsom and Judicial Appointment Secretary Cespedes for addressing San Joaquin County judicial needs,” said Presiding Judge Gus C. Barrera.

In response to his appointment, Judge Ramirez stated, “It is an honor to be selected by Governor Newsom to serve the people of San Joaquin County as a judge. I look forward to working with the San Joaquin Bench: our county has some of the best judicial officers in the state, and I am deeply humbled to stand among them.”

The Court welcomes Judge Ramirez and looks forward to the experience, dedication, and leadership he brings to the people of San Joaquin County. A formal swearing-in ceremony has yet to be scheduled.

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