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Court Appoints Edward F. Mills as New Commissioner

Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara has appointed longtime Family Court Settlement Officer Edward F. Mills as its newest commissioner.

SAN JOSE, Calif. (April 30, 2013): the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara (Court) is pleased to announce the appointment of Edward F. Mills as the Court's newest Commissioner.

Mr. Mills has served as the Court's Family Court Settlement Officer since March 2005. In his current position, Mr. Mills has been a tremendous asset to the Court in handling numerous property disputes, assisting parties to settle their Family Court litigation, and providing invaluable advice and recommendations to the Family Court judges. Mr. Mills has brought many cases to resolution through his expertise and keen ability to maintain a neutral position. Additionally, he continues to serve as a judge pro tempore for the family law judges' settlement calendars and the commissioners' child support calendars.

"Ed has been an invaluable member of our Court operations and we are incredibly pleased to have him join the ranks of Santa Clara County's judicial officers," said Presiding Judge Brian C. Walsh. "Ed's many years of helping families in conflict situations will undoubtedly prove to benefit all who will appear before him as commissioner; Ed enjoys the confidence of our Bench as he embarks on this new professional endeavor."

Prior to joining the Court in 2005, Mr. Mills practiced law in Santa Clara County since 1977. He became a certified Family Law Specialist in 1994, with an emphasis in mediation and arbitration.

Mr. Mills holds a Bachelor of Arts with Honors from Stanford University and a law degree from Santa Clara University. Mr. Mills has volunteered as a member of the South Bay Advisory Committee of the State Bar's Family Law Executive Committee. Mr. Mills also served as a lecturer in Community Property for Santa Clara University School of Law.

Beginning on May 13, 2013, Mr. Mills will serve as a Commissioner assigned to the Child Support calendars.

The Court looks forward to Mr. Mills serving as a judicial officer and contributing to the Court's core mission of serving the public by providing equal justice for all in a fair, accessible manner by instilling public trust and confidence in the Court.