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Santa Clara County Superior Court Welcomes Rebeca Esquivel-Pedroza to the Bench

SAN JOSÉ, California (August 22, 2022): In a hybrid ceremony, on Friday, August 19, 2022, Hon. Rebeca Esquivel-Pedroza was sworn in as a judicial officer to the Santa Clara County Superior Court by Assistant Presiding Judge Beth McGowen. Judge Esquivel-Pedroza was appointed by Governor Gavin Newsom to the Bench this month after being appointed by the Superior Court Bench as a Commissioner in 2020.

Preceding her appointment to the Bench, Judge Esquivel-Pedroza worked for the Superior Court's Family Law Facilitator's Office/Self Help Center as a Staff Attorney and Lead Attorney. In those roles, she assisted thousands of self-represented litigants in family, civil, and probate law matters. Judge Esquivel-Pedroza also provided day-of-court mediation services to self-represented litigants appearing in Family Court. She also served as a temporary judge in the Family Law and Traffic Divisions.

"Our Court proudly welcomes Judge Esquivel-Pedroza to the Superior Court Bench. As a dedicated public servant to the people of Santa Clara County, Judge Esquivel-Pedroza has established herself as a valued member of our community and we look forward to her continued contributions to our Bench and the Court's core mission of serving the public by providing equal justice for all in a fair, accessible manner and by instilling public trust and confidence in the Court," said Presiding Judge Theodore C. Zayner.

Prior to joining the Court, Judge Esquivel-Pedroza worked for Bay Area Legal Aid representing victims of domestic violence in family, immigration, and public benefits law. Judge Esquivel-Pedroza holds an undergraduate degree from Santa Clara University in Political Science and a law degree from California Western School of Law. She was a member of the Santa Clara County Bar Association.

Judge Esquivel-Pedroza is a Santa Clara County native. She is actively involved in this community through her children's schools and sport activities.

