



# News Release

## Superior Court of California, County of Kern

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### **SUPERIOR COURT APPOINTS NEW COURT COMMISSIONER**

The Kern County Superior Court is pleased to announce the appointment a new Court Commissioner. Court Commissioners are appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Judges of the Superior Court. They act as temporary judges presiding over cases, exercising the same powers and duties as a Superior Court Judge.

Mrs. Sally Ackerknecht has been appointed to preside over various case types as needed throughout Kern County. Mrs. Ackerknecht was hired in January 2023 by Kern County Superior Court as a Court Attorney-Calendar Coverage & Legal Research Attorney. In that position, she served as a temporary judge in family, civil, criminal and traffic courtrooms. Prior to working for the courts, she worked as a Child Support Attorney for the Department of Child Support Services in Kern County from 2018 to 2023. Before that, she worked as a Deputy Public Defender in Tulare County from 2011-2018.

Mrs. Ackerknecht will be sworn in on June 5, 2023.

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