

Superior Court of California

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VENTURA SUPERIOR COURT SELECTS NEW COMMISSIONER

The judges of the Ventura Superior Court have announced the selection of Amy Van Sickle as the Court's newest commissioner. She fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Commissioner William Redmond in September of 2022. Ms. Van Sickle was sworn into office on February 21, 2023, and was administered the oath by Hon. John R. Smiley, Retired. She begins her assignment today.

Ms. Van Sickle's twenty years of experience as an attorney consists of representing clients in family law, probate, juvenile dependency, and minor criminal matters. She began her law practice at Van Sickle & Rowley in 2003 and in 2012 she opened her own solo practice. Since January 2020, Ms. Van Sickle has been the President of the Family Law Section of the Ventura County Bar Association. Between 2012 and 2020, Ms. Van Sickle served as a Judge Pro Tem for the Court, handling family law, domestic violence, and civil harassment restraining order cases.

Ms. Van Sickle received her Bachelor of Science (Criminal Justice) from California Lutheran University, Thousand Oaks, in 1996, and she earned her Juris Doctorate from Ventura College of Law, Ventura, in 2000.

Superior Court Commissioners hear matters including, but not limited to, Family Law, Juvenile Delinquency and Dependency, Child Support Services, Domestic Violence, Civil Harassment, Traffic, Criminal and Small Claims. They are required to have been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of California for at least ten years and serve at the pleasure of a majority of the Court's judges.

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