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JUDGE HENRY J. WALSH RETIRES AFTER 26+ YEARS

Judge Henry J. Walsh retired on January 5, 2024, from the Superior Court of California, County of Ventura after almost 27 years of dedicated service. Judge Walsh was appointed to the bench in 1998 by former Governor Pete Wilson. He filled the vacancy created by the death of the Hon. Frederick A. Jones.

Judge Walsh's judicial assignments have included civil trials and family law. Judge Walsh also served as the Presiding Judge of the Appellate Division, Supervising Civil Judge of the Ventura Superior Court, Chair of the Superior Court Jury/Grand Jury Committee, and Co-Chair of the Expedited Jury Trial Pilot Program.

Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Walsh was a civil litigation partner at the law firm of Lawler, Bonham, and Walsh beginning in 1985. He also worked as an attorney at Lawler and Ellis from 1980 to 1985 and for Kosmo, Walsh, and Cho from 1971 to 1980.

Judge Walsh served as an officer in the United States Air Force and has been a member and director for the Organizational Charter 228 of the Inns of Court since 1994.

During his judicial career, Judge Walsh received notable awards and honors including: the Ventura County Trial Lawyers Attorneys' Judge of the Year Award (2002) and the Knights of Columbus Council #750 Public Safety Award (2012) in recognition of his contributions to the community.

Judge Walsh received his BA in 1965, Commission 2nd Lt. USAF from Stanford University in 1965 and earned his Juris Doctorate from Loyola Law School in 1970.

Judge Walsh and his wife Deanna live in Ventura and have successfully raised five children.

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