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**PLACER SUPERIOR COURT ANNOUNCES
APPOINTMENT OF NEW COURT COMMISSIONER**

The Placer Superior Court is pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Melissa Begley of Roseville, California as the newest Court Commissioner, effective September 11, 2023. Ms. Begley fills a Commissioner vacancy created due to the elevation of Judge Trisha Hirashima to the Superior Court Bench in June 2022. Commissioner Begley will be assigned to the Juvenile Courthouse in Auburn, primarily hearing Juvenile and Dependency cases.

Ms. Begley will be leaving her role with the Placer County District Attorney's Office where she has served for over 12 years. She has significant criminal law experience, having handled hearings and jury trials in driving under the influence cases and family violence cases. While a Deputy District Attorney, she has also been assigned to the juvenile court and the collaborative courts. In addition, Ms. Begley has volunteered as an attorney coach for the Rocklin High School Mock Trial team for the past 9 years and presently serves as the Treasurer on the Placer County Bar Association Board of Directors.

"Ms. Begley will be an outstanding addition to the court. She attended local area schools and has shown her commitment to our County in her work for community safety and through her volunteerism. For example, her volunteer work at Rocklin High School, where she has educated and mentored students in the law and government as part of the Mock Court Program. We are excited for her to bring that commitment along with her legal knowledge to this court and the public we serve," said Presiding Judge Alan Pineschi.

Ms. Begley was admitted to the State Bar of California in 2010. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Relations from the University of California, Davis in 2005 and a Juris Doctorate from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law in 2010.